

An Invitation to Join American Institute of Parliamentarians



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PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES

Attending AIP's professional conferences, workshops and seminars is an effective means of improving one's personal and professional qualifications in parliamentary practice. AIP's annual session and its regional activities and local chapter meetings provide additional learning experiences.

ANNUAL SESSION

AIP conducts the only annual international parliamentary session. Any member of AIP may attend. Planned to challenge and assist the membership, the session presents outstanding programs by recognized parliamentary specialists. To make attendance convenient and economical, the conference site is rotated annually.

EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

AIP offers four regular CORRESPONDENCE COURSES. Certificates of completion are awarded. Multi-day PARLIAMENTARY PRACTICUMS are offered in California in January and in Virginia in June. Regional conferences and educational programs are also available for members.

CERTIFICATION EXAMINATIONS

AIP prepares and administers written and oral examinations leading to accreditation as Certified Parliamentarians (CP) or Certified Professional Parliamentarians (CPP).

CODE OF ETHICS

In the belief that ethical behavior is a cornerstone of a profession, AIP has a Joint Code of Ethics for Parliamentarians. The code provides behavior guidelines for relationships with clients, the general public, students, and fellow members and governs members of both AIP and the National Association of Parliamentarians..

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APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP
 The answers to the following questions give brief information on my background in the field of parliamentary procedure:

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| 1. Have you taken one or more courses in parliamentary procedure? | Yes: _____ | No: _____ |
| 2. Have you had any experience teaching parliamentary procedure? | Yes: _____ | No: _____ |
| 3. Have you served as the official parliamentarian at any meetings? | Yes: _____ | No: _____ |
| 4. Have you written any books or articles on parliamentary procedure? | Yes: _____ | No: _____ |
| 5. Do you consider that you are NOW a well-qualified parliamentarian? | Yes: _____ | No: _____ |
| 6. Do you plan to become a certified member? | Yes: _____ | No: _____ |

7. What do you expect to gain by membership in AIP? _____

AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF PARLIAMENTARIANS

The American Institute of Parliamentarians is a not-for-profit educational organization founded in 1958 for the advancement of parliamentary procedure. From a first-year membership of only 48 members, AIP has grown into a progressive association with active chapters and regions. More than 1,200 members reside in the 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and throughout the world.

AIP's purpose as represented by its Action Program is to:

- ◆ Use effective, democratic parliamentary practices, so that decisions are made by parliamentary means rather than by violence or by dictatorial actions.
- ◆ Prepare and use parliamentary literature.
- ◆ Teach parliamentary procedure.
- ◆ Certify parliamentarians.
- ◆ Encourage the wider use of parliamentarians.
- ◆ Help maintain representative democratic organizations.

Persons who are interested in these objectives and in the study of parliamentary procedure are eligible for membership in AIP. One may become a member by completing the official application form on this brochure and paying the annual dues.

Some of the major activities and services available from AIP are listed individually. We hope these opportunities will excite your interest and encourage you to become a member of this educational organization.

Membership in a professional association such as AIP is an intangible but priceless asset. It can enhance your status in the organizations in which you participate and in which you serve.

MISSION STATEMENT

The general purpose of the American Institute of Parliamentarians is to work for the improvement of parliamentary procedure to the end that decisions are made by parliamentary means rather than by violence or by dictatorial actions, and that mankind will learn to live in peace through effective implementation of sound democratic principles.

PARLIAMENTARY JOURNAL

The *Parliamentary Journal* is AIP's scholarly publication, subscribed to by colleges and libraries in the U.S., Canada, and many foreign countries. Published quarterly since March 1960, each issue carries articles on a wide range of subjects of interest to AIP members and is included in the annual dues.

THE COMMUNICATOR

The *Communicator* is the quarterly newsletter with timely news about AIP activities, its board of directors and committees, chapter and region news, and the parliamentary activities of its individual members. It also contains information on dates for certification, and practicum and annual session information.

THE AIP DIRECTORY

The AIP Directory, published annually, is a listing of members' names, addresses, telephone numbers, fax numbers, and membership classifications. Also included in the directory are the names of AIP officers, board members, committee chairmen, regional governors, chapter officers and the location of chapter, and the Bylaws and Code of Ethics of the organization.

PUBLICATIONS

AIP has an extensive list of publications available for members, including:

- ◆ *Standard Code of Parliamentary Procedure*, published in 2000, Fourth Edition
- ◆ *Complete Manual of Minutes*, published in 2002 by the AIP Department of Education.
- ◆ *Nonprofit Corporation Laws and Parliamentary Procedure*, published in 2002 by the AIP Department of Education.
- ◆ *Fundamentals of Parliamentary Law and Procedure*, published originally in 1987, and updated in 1992, with a grant from the Hearst Foundation

I apply for membership in the AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF PARLIAMENTARIANS and enclose payment in U.S. currency, covering my membership dues for the current year, which includes a subscription to the *PARLIAMENTARY JOURNAL*.

NAME: _____ (Mr.; Mrs.; Miss; Ms.; Dr.; Prof.)

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ ST: _____ ZIP: _____ PROVINCE: _____

COUNTRY: _____ OCCUPATION: _____

APPLICANT SIGNATURE: _____

How did you find out about AIP _____
(optional signature of AIP sponsoring member)

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Type of Membership (Membership year is June through May)

* REGULAR (age 30 or over) - June-May - \$55
(\$27.50 after Nov 30)

* REGULAR (under age 30) - June-May - \$45
(\$22.50 after Nov 30)

Please provide date of birth _____
 * FULL-TIME STUDENT - June-May - \$20
(\$10 after Nov 30)

* ASSOCIATE - \$60
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