MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

Section 1. Individual Membership. Any person who is in accord with the philosophy, principles, policies, and objectives of this organization, and agrees to adhere to the same, may become a member of this organization with the consent of the Board of Directors by paying the annual membership fee, provided he or she is qualified as stated herein.

Section 2. Membership Categories. There shall be three categories of individual membership: Regular, Associate, and Life. In addition, the Board of Directors is empowered to create additional categories, and issue appropriate certificates. Individual membership in the organization at the National level is a requirement for Chapter membership.

A. Regular Memberships.

(1) Any employee or retiree of the Federal, state or a local government who is in accord with the principles, policies and objectives of the organization and who agrees to adhere to the same, may become a Regular Member of this organization with the consent of the Board of Directors and by paying the annual membership fee of thirty-five dollars ($35.00).

(2) Regular members shall be accorded all privileges of membership, except being National Delegates unless they are also Chapter members.

(3) Any person who, at the time of being separated--without prejudice--from employment by the Federal or a state of local government, was a Regular Member in good standing is eligible for Regular membership in this organization.

(4) Any person who, at the time of being separated--with prejudice--from employment by the Federal, state, or local government and such separation is grieved, and that person is a member in good standing, is eligible for continued regular membership in this organization until such grievance is resolved.

B. Associate Membership.

(1) Any person who is in accord with the principles, policies, and objectives of the organization and who agrees to adhere to the same, may become an Associate Member of this organization with the consent of the Board of Directors and by paying the Associate membership fee of twenty-five dollars ($25.00).

(2) Any undergraduate student who is enrolled in an accredited college or university who is in accord with the principles, policies and objectives of the organization and who agrees to adhere to the same and is not qualified as a regular member, may become a student member of this organization with the consent of the Board of Directors and by paying the student membership fee of twenty dollars ($20.00).
(3) Such members shall be accorded all rights and privileges of membership, except that only those who also qualify as regular members should be eligible to vote or hold elective office.

C. Life Memberships.

(1) Any person who is in accord with the principles, policies, and objectives of the organization and who agrees to adhere to the same, may become a Life Member of this organization with the consent of the Board of Directors and by paying the Life membership fee of three hundred-twenty five dollars ($325.00).

(2) Such members shall be accorded all rights and privileges of membership except that only those who also are qualified as Regular members shall be eligible to vote or hold elective office.