

**CONSTITUTION OF THE
INTERNATIONAL BROTHERHOOD OF MAGICIANS RING 6
(DELAWARE VALLEY CONJURORS' CLUB)
(As Amended 2020)**

ARTICLE I. ORGANIZATION

Section 1. This organization is an unincorporated non-profit association as described in Internal Revenue Code (IRC) §501(c)(7).

Section 2. The name of this entity is the "International Brotherhood of Magicians Ring 6". This may be abbreviated as "I.B.M. Ring 6".

Section 3. Within the magic community, I.B.M. Ring 6 is commonly referred to as the "Delaware Valley Conjurors' Club".

Section 4. I.B.M. Ring 6 does not discriminate against anyone on the basis of race, color, creed, religion, ethnicity, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, age or disability.

ARTICLE II. GOVERNING INSTRUMENTS

Section 1. The governing instruments of I.B.M. Ring 6 are its: Constitution, Bylaws, Guidelines of Standing Committees and any other rules and regulations promulgated by the Executive Board.

Section 2. All members and "youth members" are governed, bound and obligated to abide by said governing instruments as well as by the Constitution, Bylaws and any other rules and regulations decreed by the International Brotherhood of Magicians (I.B.M.) at the national level.

ARTICLE III. DEFINITIONS OF TERMS

Section 1. Definitions of certain "terms", whenever used in this document, are as follows:

- (a) "Member": An individual who is a member of Ring 6 in good standing with dues and all other charges current and paid up-to-date in both I.B.M. Ring 6 and also in the International Brotherhood of Magicians (I.B.M.) at the national level, sometimes referred to in this document as I.B.M. National.
- (b) "Youth member": Any applicant over the age of seven (7) and under the age of eighteen (18) who has applied for membership in I.B.M. Ring 6, has been accepted by the members, whose dues are current and paid up-to-date in I.B.M. Ring 6, and who also is a "youth member" with dues current and paid up-to-date in the International Brotherhood of Magicians (I.B.M.) at the national level, i.e. I.B.M. National.

- (c) “In good standing”: An individual who is currently a member of Ring 6; who has not been expelled for reasons set forth in the I.B.M. Ring 6 Bylaws, and whose dues and all other charges are current and paid up-to-date in both I.B.M. Ring 6 and also in the International Brotherhood of Magicians (I.B.M.) at the national level (I.B.M. National).
- (d) “Ring”: I.B.M. Ring 6.
- (e) “I.B.M.”: International Brotherhood of Magicians.

Section 2. The definition of any “term” as set forth above applies to both the singular and plural forms of said “term”.

ARTICLE IV. MEMBERS

Section 1. Any individual who is genuinely interested in learning about magic, its history, and who wishes to become proficient in the art of performing magic may apply for membership in I.B.M. Ring 6. The applicant must appreciate that, by its very nature, magic is inherently secretive and must remain so, and is willing to abide by the magicians’ code of secrecy.

Section 2. Anyone interested in applying for membership in I.B.M. Ring 6 must also have applied for membership in the International Brotherhood of Magicians (I.B.M.) at the national level. A member of I.B.M. Ring 6 must also be a member of I.B.M. at the national level.

Section 3. Membership in I.B.M. Ring 6 requires timely annual payment of both I.B.M. Ring 6 local dues and I.B.M. national dues.

Section 4. “Youth members” have full membership privileges with the exceptions of being able to hold office, chair committees, vote, participate in Ring business, and compete in contests unless permitted to do so in accordance with the I.B.M. Ring 6 Bylaws.

ARTICLE V. OFFICERS

Section 1. There are five Officers of the Ring, namely: President; Vice-President; Secretary; Treasurer; and Sergeant-at-Arms.

Section 2. The President; Vice President; Secretary; Treasurer; and Sergeant at Arms are elected offices.

ARTICLE VI. EXECUTIVE BOARD

Section 1. The Executive Board is the governing body of I.B.M. Ring 6. As such, its pronouncements and the decisions of its Officers are binding on all Ring members. The Executive Board has the authority, obligation and responsibility to formulate the policy and to direct the affairs of the Ring.

Section 2. The Executive Board consists of the current Officers of the Ring.

Section 3. The Executive Board is empowered to authorize all expenditures.

ARTICLE VII. TRUSTEES

Section 1. The purpose and function of the Trustees are to make recommendations to the Executive Board to better enable the Officers to:

- (a) Conduct Ring business.
- (b) Resolve issues for the welfare of the Ring.

Section 2. The Trustees serve in an advisory capacity to the Executive Board.

Section 3. The Trustees consist of the Chairpersons of the Standing Committees as set forth in ARTICLE VIII.

ARTICLE VIII. STANDING COMMITTEES

Section 1. There are ten Standing Committees of the Ring as follows:

- (a) Committee for Concern
- (b) Constitution and Bylaws Committee
- (c) Contest Committee
- (d) Core Committee
- (e) Election Committee
- (f) Estate Sales & Management Committee
- (g) Hospitality Committee
- (h) Membership and Retention Committee
- (i) Program Committee
- (j) Website & Technical Committee

Section 2. The purpose and functions of the Standing Committees are to facilitate the effective and efficient operation of the Ring's day-to-day activities in a conscientious manner by carrying out their respective responsibilities.

ARTICLE IX. "AD HOC" COMMITTEES

Section 1. The Executive Board may establish (an) "ad hoc" committee(s) if necessary to address special issues.

Section 2. The Executive Board determines and appoints the Chairperson of any "ad hoc" committee. The Chairperson of an "ad hoc" committee is not a Trustee.

ARTICLE X. PRESIDENT EMERITUS CLUB

Section 1. The President Emeritus Club consists of those individuals who have previously served in the office of President of the Ring.

Section 2. The President Emeritus Club serves as a body of knowledge, experience and practical insight useful to the Trustees in achieving the objectives of the Ring to further growth.

ARTICLE XI. MEETINGS

The place, day, date and time of Executive Board meetings; Trustees meetings; Committee meetings; and general membership meetings are determined in accordance with the I.B.M. Ring 6 Bylaws.

ARTICLE XII. AMENDMENTS

Section 1. This Constitution of I.B.M. Ring 6 may be amended by an approving vote of no less than two-thirds ($\frac{2}{3}$) of those members of the Ring who are present at any general membership meeting, provided that notice of the proposed amendment(s) was given at the immediately preceding regularly scheduled general membership meeting. Said notice may be communicated either orally or in writing at said preceding meeting or by way of e-mail having been disseminated no later than the date on which said preceding meeting was held.

Section 2. Absentee ballots (voting *in absentia*) to amend this Constitution will not be accepted nor considered. In order to vote, or cast a ballot for purposes of amending this Constitution, a member must be physically present in attendance at the meeting when the vote is taken.

ARTICLE XIII. EFFECTIVE DATE

This Constitution and amendments hereto are effective immediately upon ratification by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members of I.B.M. Ring 6 who are present and in attendance at the regularly scheduled general membership meeting at which the vote is taken

ARTICLE XIX. CERTIFICATION

We, the undersigned, do certify:

- (a) We are the elected President, Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer, respectively of I.B.M. Ring 6, a Pennsylvania unincorporated non-profit association.
- (b) This Constitution, consisting of five (5) pages (including this page), comprises the amended Constitution of I.B.M. Ring 6 as voted upon, adopted and ratified at a regularly scheduled general membership meeting held 2020.
- (c) Pursuant to ARTICLE XIII, this Constitution, as amended, is effective as of 2020.
- (d) In witness whereof, we have subscribed our names this day of 2020.

Steve Friedberg
President – I.B.M. Ring 6

John Kostyal
Vice-President – I.B.M. Ring 6

Jason Taylor
Secretary – I.B.M. Ring 6

James L. Capobianco
Treasurer – I.B.M. Ring 6

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