

ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION OF
THE VERGERS' GUILD OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

To further common purposes, the members have agreed to organize under these articles of association:

ARTICLE I

The name of this association shall be the Vergers' Guild of the Episcopal Church.

ARTICLE II

The principal office of the association shall be at St. George's Episcopal Church, 4715 Harding Road, Nashville, Tennessee 37205. The association may have such other offices as may from time to time be designated by its members or its executive committee.

ARTICLE III

Purposes:

a) To encourage, through the fellowship and work of the guild, the sharing of ideas, skills and pertinent information among the members.

b) To promote communication between members of the guild at all level as a way of maintaining the pastoral, administrative and liturgical traditions of the office of Verger in the Episcopal Church.

c) To provide mutual assistance by advice and counsel with on-the-job problems experienced by members of the guild.

d) To organize and promote courses of training in the office of Verger.

e) To foster a relationship between the clergy and Vergers.

f) To be open to the needs and concerns of the laity.

g) This association is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational and scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future Federal Tax Code.

ARTICLE IV

No part of the net earnings of the association shall enure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the association shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in the furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article III hereof. No substantial part of the activities of the association shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the association shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign or behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles the association shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a association exempt from Federal Income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future tax code, or (b) by an association, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

ARTICLE V

Upon the dissolution of the association, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the Federal Government, or to a State or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not disposed of shall be disposed of by the Circuit Court of the County in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

Adopted this 30th day of NOVEMBER, 1989.



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