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Code of Conduct – Elected Representatives

- 1. An elected representative of the State Branch or a Sub Branch must act honestly, in good faith and in the best interests of the League as a whole.
- 2. An elected representative has a duty to use due care and diligence in fulfilling the functions of office and exercising the powers attached to that office.
- 3. An elected representative must use the powers of office for a proper purpose in the best interests of the League as a whole, avoiding any attempt to use their elected position to gain favourable treatment.
- 4. An elected representative must recognize that the primary responsibility is to the League as a whole but should, where appropriate, have regard for the interests of all members.
- 5. An elected representative must not make improper use of information acquired by his election to office, ensuring that they respect the privacy of any information disclosed to them due to their position of trust within the League.
- 6. An elected representative must not take improper advantage of the position of office.
- 7. An elected representative must not allow personal interests, or the interests of any associated person, to conflict with the interests of the League. Where an elected member has any interests that may conflict with their position, they must declare those interests at the first appropriate moment of the meeting and refrain from voting on any item in which their interest is material.
- 8. An elected representative has an obligation to be independent in judgement and actions and to take all reasonable steps to be satisfied as to the soundness of all decisions taken by the Committee, but should once a decision is made, abide by that decision.
- 9. Confidential information received by an elected representative in the course of the exercise of his duties remains the property of the State Branch or Sub Branch from which it was obtained and it is improper to disclose it, or allow it to be disclosed unless that disclosure has been authorized by that State Branch or Sub Branch, or the person from whom the information is provided, or is required by law.
- 10. An elected representative should not engage in conduct likely to bring discredit upon the League. Ensuring that they in no way make misleading statements or give false impressions about the past, present or future performance of the League.
- 11. An elected representative has an obligation, at all times, to comply with the spirit, as well as the letter, of the law and with the principles of this code.
- 12. Elected representatives will at all times recognise that they are not the owners of the League but custodians on behalf of the member, ensuring that due diligence is made in all decisions and that appropriate protections for the assets of the league are in place to help ensure the long term viability of the League.