



**THE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY  
OF THE  
NORTHERN TERRITORY INC  
CONSTITUTION**

This is the Annexure marked 'A' referred to in the Statutory Declaration  
of June Tomlinson, Public Officer.

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Made on 21<sup>st</sup> October 2006

Before me Edna Pratt, member

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(signature of witness on Statutory Declaration)

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**SCHEDULE  
CONSTITUTION**

Regulation 2(1)

**PART 1 – PRELIMINARY**

**1. Name**

The name of the association shall be **“The Genealogical Society of the Northern Territory, Incorporated”** (hereinafter called “the Society”.)

**2. Objects and purposes**

The objects and purposes of the Society are specified in the Schedule.

**3. Minimum number of members**

The Society must have at least the number of members specified in the Schedule.

**4. Definitions**

In this Constitution, unless the contrary intention appears –

"Act" means the *Associations Act* and regulations made under that Act;

"Committee" means the Executive Committee of the Association;

"financial institution" means an authorised deposit-taking institution within the meaning of section 5 of the *Banking Act 1959* of the Commonwealth;

“society” means The Genealogical Society of the Northern Territory Incorporated.

“the association” means The Genealogical Society of the Northern Territory Inc.

"general meeting" means a general meeting of members convened in accordance with clause 44;

"member" means a member of the Society;"register of members" means the register of the Society’s members established and maintained under section 34 of the Act;

"special resolution" means a resolution notice of which is given under clause 47 and passed in accordance with section 37 of the Act.

## **PART 2 – CONSTITUTION AND POWERS OF ASSOCIATION**

### **5. Powers of Association**

(1) For achieving its objects and purposes, the Association has the powers conferred by sections 11 and 13 of the Act.

(2) Subject to the Act, the Society may do all things necessary or convenient for carrying out its objects or purposes, and in particular, may –

- (a) acquire, hold and dispose of real or personal property;
- (b) open and operate accounts with financial institutions;
- (c) invest its money in any security in which trust monies may lawfully be invested;
- (d) raise and borrow money on the terms and in the manner it considers appropriate;
- (e) secure the repayment of money raised or borrowed, or the payment of a debt or liability;
- (f) appoint agents to transact business on its behalf; and
- (g) enter into any other contract it considers necessary or desirable.

### **6. Effect of Constitution**

This Constitution binds every member and the Society to the same extent as if every member and the Society had signed and sealed this Constitution and agreed to be bound by it.

### **7. Inconsistency between Constitution and Act**

If there is any inconsistency between this Constitution and the Act, the Act prevails.

### **8. Altering the Constitution**

(1) The Society may alter this Constitution by special resolution but not otherwise.

(2) If the Constitution is altered, the Public Officer must ensure compliance with section 23 of the Act.

(3)

## **PART 3 – MEMBERS**

### ***Division 1 – Membership***

#### **9. Application for membership**

To apply to become a member of the Society a person must –

- (a) submit a written application for membership to the Committee –
  - (i) in a form approved by the Committee; and
- (b) signed by the Duty Librarian accepting the membership.
- (c) make payment of current subscription fee applicable at the time of application.

#### **10. Approval of Committee**

(1) The Committee must consider any application made under clause 9 at the next available committee meeting and must accept or reject the application at that meeting or the next.

(2) If an application is rejected, the applicant may appeal against the decision by giving notice to the Secretary within 14 days after being advised of the rejection.

(3) If an applicant gives notice of an appeal against the rejection of his or her application, the Committee must reconsider the application at the next committee meeting after receipt of the notice of appeal.

(4) If after reconsidering an application the Committee reaffirms its decision to reject the application, the decision is final.

#### **11. Annual membership fees**

(1) The annual membership fee is the amount determined from time to time by resolution at a general meeting.

(2) Each member must pay the annual membership fee to the Treasurer by the first day of each financial year or another date determined by the Committee from time to time.

(3) A member whose subscription is not paid within 3 months after the due date ceases to be a member unless the Committee determines otherwise.

- (4) Categories of membership are details in Part 3 – Additional Details.

## *Division 2 – Rights of members*

### **12. General**

(1) Subject to clause 13(2), a member may exercise the rights of membership when his or her name is entered in the register of members.

(2) A right of membership of the Society –

(a) is not capable of being transferred or transmitted to another person; and

(b) terminates on the cessation of membership whether by death, resignation or otherwise.

### **13. Voting**

(1) Subject to subclause (2), each member has one vote at general meetings of the Society.

(2) A member is not eligible to vote until 10 working days after his or her application has been accepted.

### **14. Notice of meetings and special resolutions**

The Secretary must give all members notice of general meetings and special resolutions in the manner and time prescribed by this Constitution.

### **15. Access to information on Society**

The following must be available for inspection by members:

(a) a copy of this Constitution;

(b) minutes of general meetings;

(c) annual reports and annual financial reports.

### **16. Raising grievances and complaints**

(1) A member may raise a grievance or complaint about a committee member, the Committee or another member of the Society.

(2) The grievance or complaint must be dealt with by the procedures set out in Part 10.

## *Division 3 – Termination, death, suspension and expulsion*

### **17. Termination of membership**

Membership of the Society may be terminated by –



- (a) a notice of resignation addressed and posted to the Society or given personally to the Secretary or another committee member;
- (b) non-payment of the annual membership fee within the time allowed under clause 11(3); or
- (c) expulsion in accordance with this Division.

**18. Death of member or whereabouts unknown**

If a member dies or the whereabouts of a member are unknown, the Committee must cancel the member's membership.

**19. Suspension or expulsion of members**

(1) If the Committee considers that a member should be suspended or expelled because his or her conduct is detrimental to the interests of the Society, the Committee must give notice of the proposed suspension or expulsion to the member.

- (2) The notice must –
  - (a) be in writing and include –
    - (i) the time, date and place of the committee meeting at which the question of that suspension or expulsion will be decided; and
    - (ii) the particulars of the conduct; and
  - (b) be given to the member not less than 30 days before the date of the committee meeting referred to in paragraph (a)(i).

(3) At the meeting, the Committee must afford the member a reasonable opportunity to be heard or to make representations in writing.

(4) The Committee may suspend or expel or decline to suspend or expel the member from the Society and must give written notice of the decision and the reason for it to the member.

(5) Subject to clause 20, the decision to suspend or expel a member takes effect 14 days after the day on which notice of the decision is given to the member.

**20. Appeals against suspension or expulsion**

(1) A member who is suspended or expelled under clause 19 may appeal against that suspension or expulsion by giving notice to the Secretary within 14 days after receipt of the Committee's decision.

(2) The appeal must be considered at a general meeting of the Society and the member must be afforded a reasonable opportunity to be heard at the meeting or to make representations in writing prior to the meeting for circulation at the meeting.

(3) The members present at the general meeting must, by resolution, either confirm or set aside the decision of the Committee to suspend or expel the member.

(4) The member is not suspended or does not cease to be a member until the decision of the Committee to suspend or expel him or her is confirmed by a resolution of the members.

## **PART 4 – EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

### *Division 1 – General*

#### **21. Role and powers**

(1) The business of the Society must be managed by or under the direction of an Executive Committee.

(2) The Committee may exercise all the powers of the Society except those matters that the Act or this Constitution requires the Society to determine through a general meeting of members.

(3) The Committee may appoint and remove staff.

(4) The Committee may establish one or more subcommittees consisting of the members of the Society the Committee considers appropriate.

#### **22. Composition of Committee**

(1) The Executive Committee consists of –

(a) a President;

(b) a Senior Vice-President

(c) a Vice President

(d) a Secretary/Public Officer

(e) a Treasurer and

(f) three member positions elected at the time of the Annual General Meeting;

#### **23. Delegation**

(1) The Committee may delegate to a subcommittee or staff any of its powers and functions other than –

(a) this power of delegation; or

(b) a duty imposed on the Committee by the Act or any other law.

(2) The delegation must be in writing and may be subject to the conditions and limitations the Committee considers appropriate.

(3) The Committee may, in writing, revoke wholly or in part the delegation.

### *Division 2 – Tenure of office*

#### **24. Eligibility of committee members**

(1) A committee member must be a member who is 18 years or over.

(2) A committee member must also meet the criteria provided in the Schedule.

(3) Committee members must be elected to the Committee at an Annual General Meeting or appointed under clause 31.

#### **25. Nominations for election to committee**

(1) A member is not eligible for election to the Committee unless the Secretary receives a written nomination for that member by another member not less than 7 days before the date of the next annual general meeting.

(2) The nomination must be signed by –

(a) the nominator and a seconder; and

(b) the nominee to signify his or her willingness to stand for election.

(3) A person who is eligible for election or re-election under this clause may –

(a) propose or second himself or herself for election or re-election; and

(b) vote for himself or herself.

#### **26. Retirement of committee members**

(1) A committee member holds office until the next annual general meeting unless the member vacates the office under clause 30 or is removed under clause 31.

(2) Subject to subclause (3), at an annual general meeting the office of each committee member becomes vacant and elections for a new Committee must be held.

(3) The President of the outgoing Committee must preside at the annual general meeting until a new member is elected as President.

## **27. Election by default**

(1) If the number of persons nominated for election to the Committee under clause 25 does not exceed the number of vacancies to be filled, the President must declare the persons to be duly elected as members of the Committee at the annual general meeting.

(2) If vacancies remain on the Committee after the declaration under subclause (1), additional nominations of committee members may be accepted from the floor of the annual general meeting.

(3) If the nominations from the floor do not exceed the number of remaining vacancies, the President must declare those persons to be duly elected as members of the Committee.

(4) If the nominations from the floor are less than the number of remaining vacancies, the unfilled vacancies are taken to be casual vacancies and must be filled by the new Committee in accordance with clause 32.

## **28. Election by ballot**

(1) If the number of nominations exceeds the number of vacancies on the Committee, ballots for those positions must be conducted.

(2) The ballot must be conducted in a manner determined from time to time by resolution at a general meeting.

(3) The members chosen by ballot must be declared by the President to be duly elected as members of the Committee.

## **29. Vacating office**

The office of a committee member becomes vacant if –

- (a) the member –
  - (i) is disqualified from being a committee member under section 30 or 40 of the Act;
  - (ii) resigns by giving written notice to the Committee;
  - (iii) dies or is rendered permanently incapable of performing the duties of office by mental or physical ill-health;
  - (iv) ceases to be a resident of the Territory; or
  - (v) ceases to be a member of the Society;
- (b) the member is absent from more than –
  - (i) 3 consecutive committee meetings; or

- (ii) 3 committee meetings in the same financial year without tendering an apology to the President;

of which meetings the member received notice and the Committee has resolved to declare the office vacant; or

- (c) in any of the circumstances provided for by the Schedule.

### **30. Removal of committee member**

(1) The Society, through a special general meeting of members, may remove any committee member before the member's term of office ends.

(2) If a vacancy arises through removal under subclause (1), an election must be held to fill the vacancy.

### **31. Filling casual vacancy on Committee**

(1) If a vacancy remains on the Committee after the application of clause 27 or if the office of a committee member becomes vacant under clause 29, the Committee may appoint any member of the Society to fill that vacancy.

(2) However, if the office of public officer becomes vacant, a person must be appointed under section 27(6) of the Act to fill the vacancy.

## *Division 3 – Duties of committee members*

### **32. Collective responsibility of Committee**

(1) As soon as practicable after being elected to the Committee, each committee member must become familiar with the Act and regulations made under the Act.

(2) The Committee is collectively responsible for ensuring the Society complies with the Act and regulations made under the Act.

### **33. President and Vice-President**

(1) Subject to sub clauses (2) and (3), the President must preside at all general meetings and committee meetings.

(2) If the President is absent from a meeting, the Vice-President must preside at the meeting.

(3) If the President and the Vice-President are both absent, the presiding member for that meeting must be –

- (a) a member elected by the other members present if it is a general meeting; or

- (b) a committee member elected by the other committee members present if it is a committee meeting.

#### **34. Secretary**

The Secretary must –

- (a) coordinate the correspondence of the Society;
- (b) ensure minutes of all proceedings of general meetings and of committee meetings are kept in accordance with section 38 of the Act;
- (c) maintain the register of members in accordance with section 34 of the Act;
- (d) unless the members resolve otherwise at a general meeting – have custody of all books, documents, records and registers of the Society, other than those required by clause 35(5) to be in the custody of the Treasurer; and
- (e) perform any other duties imposed by this Constitution on the Secretary.

#### **35. Treasurer**

(1) The Treasurer must –

- (a) receive all moneys paid to or received by the Society and issue receipts for those moneys in the name of the Society;
- (b) pay all moneys received into the account of the Society within 5 working days after receipt;
- (c) make any payments authorised by the Committee or by a general meeting of the Society from the Society's funds; and
- (d) ensure cheques are signed by him or her and at least one other committee member,

(2) The Treasurer must ensure the accounting records of the Society are kept in accordance with section 41 of the Act.

(3) The Treasurer must coordinate the preparation of the Society's annual statement of accounts.

(4) If directed to do so by the President, the Treasurer must submit to the Committee a report, balance sheet or financial statement in accordance with that direction.

(5) The Treasurer has custody of all securities, books and documents of a financial nature and accounting records of the Society unless the members resolve otherwise at a general meeting.

(6) The Treasurer must perform any other duties imposed by this Constitution on the Treasurer.

### **36. Public Officer**

(1) The public officer must ensure that documents are filed with the Commissioner of Consumer Affairs in accordance with sections 23, 28 and 45 of the Act.

(2) The public officer must keep a current copy of the Constitution of the Society.

## **PART 5 – MEETINGS OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

### **37. Frequency and calling of meetings**

(1) The Committee must meet together for the conduct of business not less than 4 times in each financial year unless otherwise provided in the Schedule.

(2) The President, or at least half the committee members, may at any time convene a special meeting of the Committee.

(3) A special meeting may be convened to deal with an appeal under clause 19.

### **38. Voting and decision making**

(1) Each committee member present at the meeting has a deliberative vote.

(2) A question arising at a committee meeting must be decided by a majority of votes.

(3) If there is no majority, the person presiding at the meeting has a casting vote in addition to a deliberative vote.

### **39. Quorum**

For a committee meeting, one-half of the committee members constitutes a quorum unless otherwise provided in the Schedule.

### **40. Procedure and order of business**

(1) The procedure to be followed at a committee meeting must be determined from time to time by the Committee.

(2) The order of business may be determined by the members present at the meeting.

(3) Only the business for which the meeting is convened may be considered at a special meeting.

#### **41. Disclosure of interest**

(1) A committee member who has a direct or indirect pecuniary interest in a contract, or proposed contract, with the Society must disclose the nature and extent of the interest to the Committee in accordance with section 31 of the Act.

(2) The Secretary must record the disclosure in the minutes of the meeting.

(3) The President must ensure a committee member who has a direct or indirect pecuniary interest in a contract, or proposed contract, complies with section 32 of the Act.

### **PART 6 – GENERAL MEETINGS**

#### **42. Convening General Meetings**

(1) The Society must hold its first annual general meeting within 18 months after its incorporation.

(2) The Society must hold all subsequent annual general meetings within 5 months after the end of the Society's financial year.

(3) The Committee –

(a) may at any time convene a special general meeting;

(b) must, within 30 days after the Secretary receives a notice under clause 20(1), convene a special general meeting to deal with the appeal to which the notice relates; and

(c) must, within 30 days after it receives a request under clause 43(1), convene a special general meeting for the purpose specified in that request.

#### **43. Special General Meetings**

(1) Half the number of members constituting a quorum for a general meeting may make a written request to the Committee for a special general meeting unless otherwise provided in the Schedule.

(2) The request must –

(a) state the purpose of the special general meeting; and

(b) be signed by the members making the request.

(3) If the Committee fails to convene a special general meeting within the time allowed –



- (a) for clause 42(3)(b) – the appeal against the decision of the Committee is upheld; and
  - (b) for clause 42(3)(c) – the members who made the request may convene a special general meeting as if they were the Committee.
- (4) If a special general meeting is convened under subclause (3)(b), the Society must meet any reasonable expenses of convening and holding the special general meeting.
- (5) The Secretary must give to all members not less than 21 days notice of a special general meeting.
- (6) The notice must specify –
- (a) when and where the meeting is to be held; and
  - (b) the particulars of and the order in which business is to be transacted.

#### **44. Annual General Meeting**

- (1) The Secretary must give to all members not less than 30 days notice of an Annual General Meeting unless otherwise provided in the Schedule.
- (2) The notice must specify –
- (a) when and where the meeting is to be held; and
  - (b) the particulars of and the order in which business is to be transacted.
- (3) The order of business for each annual general meeting is as follows:
- (a) first – the consideration of the accounts and reports of the Committee;
  - (b) second – the election of new committee members;
  - (c) third – any other business requiring consideration by the Society at the meeting.

#### **45. Special resolutions**

- (1) A special resolution may be moved at any general meeting of the Society.
- (2) The Secretary must give all members not less than 21 days notice of the meeting at which a special resolution is to be proposed unless otherwise provided in the Schedule.
- (3) The notice must include the resolution to be proposed and the intention to propose the resolution as a special resolution.

**46. Notice of meetings**

- (1) The Secretary must give a notice under this Part by –
  - (a) serving it on a member personally; or
  - (b) sending it by post to a member at the address of the member appearing in the register of members.

(2) If a notice is sent by post under subclause (1)(b), sending of the notice is taken to have been properly effected if the notice is addressed and posted to the member by ordinary prepaid mail.

**47. Quorum at general meetings**

At a general meeting, the number or the proportion of members present in person specified in the Schedule constitutes a quorum.

**48. Lack of quorum**

(1) If within 30 minutes after the time specified in the notice for the holding of a general meeting a quorum is not present –

- (a) for an annual general meeting or special general meeting convened under clause 44(3)(a) – the meeting stands adjourned to the same time on the same day in the following week and to the same place;
- (b) for a meeting convened under clause 44(3)(b) – the members who are present in person or by proxy may proceed with hearing the appeal for which the meeting is convened; or
- (c) for a meeting convened under clause 44(3)(c) – the meeting lapses.

(2) If within 30 minutes after the time appointed by subclause (1)(a) for the resumption of an adjourned general meeting a quorum is not present, the members who are present in person or by proxy may proceed with the business of that general meeting as if a quorum were present.

(3) The President may, with the consent of a general meeting at which a quorum is present, and must, if directed by the members at the meeting, adjourn that general meeting from time to time and from place to place.

(4) There must not be transacted at an adjourned general meeting any business other than business left unfinished or on the agenda at the time when the general meeting was adjourned.

(5) If a general meeting is adjourned for a period of 30 days or more, the Secretary must give notice of the adjourned general meeting as if that general meeting were a fresh general meeting.

#### **49. Voting**

(1) Subject to clauses 14(2), each member present in person or by proxy at a general meeting is entitled to a deliberative vote.

(2) At a general meeting –

(a) an ordinary resolution put to the vote is decided by a majority of votes made in person or by proxy; and

(b) a special resolution put to the vote is passed if three-quarters of the members who are present in person or by proxy vote in favour of the resolution.

(3) A poll may be demanded by the President or by 3 or more members present in person or by proxy.

(4) If demanded, a poll must be taken immediately and in the manner the President directs.

#### **50. Proxies**

A member may appoint in writing another member to be the proxy of the appointing member to attend and vote on behalf of the appointing member at any general meeting.

### **PART 7 – FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT**

#### **51. Financial year**

The financial year of the Society is specified in the Schedule.

#### **52. Funds and accounts**

(1) The Society must open an account with a financial institution from which all expenditure of the Society is made and into which all of the Society's revenue is deposited.

(2) Subject to any restrictions imposed by the Society at a general meeting, the Committee may approve expenditure on behalf of the Society within the limits of the budget.

(3) All cheques, drafts, bills of exchange, promissory notes and other negotiable instruments must be signed by two committee members.

(4) All funds of the Society must be deposited into the financial account of the Society no later than 5 working days after receipt or as soon as practicable after that day.

(5) With the approval of the Committee, the Treasurer may maintain a cash float provided that all money paid from or paid into the float is accurately recorded at the time of the transaction.

### **53. Accounts and audits**

The responsibility of the Committee under clause 32(2) for ensuring compliance with the Act includes meeting the requirements of Part 5 of the Act and regulations made for that Part relating to –

- (a) the keeping of accounting records;
- (b) the preparation and presentation of the Society's annual statement of accounts; and
- (c) the auditing of the Society's accounts.

## **PART 8 – GRIEVANCE AND DISPUTES**

### **54. Grievance and disputes procedures**

(1) This clause applies to disputes between –

- (a) a member and another member; or
- (b) a member and the Committee.

(2) Within 14 days after the dispute comes to the attention of the parties to the dispute, they must meet and discuss the matter in dispute, and, if possible, resolve the dispute.

(3) If the parties are unable to resolve the dispute at the meeting, or if a party fails to attend that meeting, then the parties must, within 10 days after the meeting, hold another meeting in the presence of a mediator.

(4) The mediator must be –

- (a) a person chosen by agreement between the parties; or
- (b) in the absence of agreement –
  - (i) for a dispute between a member and another member – a person appointed by the Committee; or
  - (ii) for a dispute between a member and the Committee – a person who is a mediator appointed or employed by the department administering the Act.

(5) A member of the Society can be a mediator.

(6) The mediator cannot be a party to the dispute.

- (7) The parties to the dispute must, in good faith, attempt to settle the dispute by mediation.
- (8) The mediator, in conducting the mediation, must –
  - (a) give the parties to the mediation process every opportunity to be heard;
  - (b) allow due consideration by all parties of any written statement submitted by any party; and
  - (c) ensure natural justice is accorded to the parties to the dispute throughout the mediation process.
- (9) The mediator must not determine the dispute.
- (10) If the mediation process does not result in the dispute being resolved, the parties may seek to resolve the dispute in accordance with the Act or otherwise at law.

## **PART 9 – MISCELLANEOUS**

### **55. Common seal**

(1) The common seal of the Society must not be used without the express authority of the Committee and every use of that common seal must be recorded by the Secretary.

(2) The affixing of the common seal of the Society must be witnessed by any 2 of the following:

- (a) the President;
- (b) the Secretary;
- (c) the Treasurer.

(3) The common seal of the Society must be kept in the custody of the Secretary or another person the Committee from time to time decides.

### **56. Distribution of surplus assets on winding up**

(1) If on the winding up or dissolution of the Society, and after satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities, there remains any assets, the assets must not be distributed to the members or former members.

(2) The surplus assets must be given or transferred to another Society incorporated under the Act that –

- (a) has similar objects or purposes;
- (b) is not carried on for profit or gain to its individual members; and

(c) is determined by resolution of the members.

**SCHEDULE**  
**TO THE CONSTITUTION**  
**PART 1 – MANDATORY DETAILS**

**Name (clause 1)**

The name of the incorporated association is The Genealogical Society of the Northern Territory Incorporated.

**Objects and purposes (clause 2)**

The objects and purposes of the Association are as follows:

- (a) to promote genealogical study and family history research;
- (b) to further the study of genealogy by the collection of historical data;
- (c) to educate in genealogy and family history methods;
- (d) to encourage the preservation of personal history records and
- (e) to publish appropriate material and operate a reference and research centre.

**Minimum number of members (clause 3)**

The Society must have at least fifty members.

**Quorum at general meetings (clause 47)**

At a general meeting seven members present in person constitutes a quorum.

**Financial year (clause 51)**

The financial year of the Association is the period of 12 months ending on 30<sup>th</sup> June.

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## PART 2 – REPLACEABLE DETAILS

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<b>Clause</b>	<b>Description of clause</b>	<b>Default detail</b>	<b>Replacing detail</b>
37(1)	Frequency of committee meetings	at least 4 times each financial year	
39	Quorum for committee meeting	Seven includes half of Executive Committee members	
43	Number of members who can request a special general meeting	Seven members	
44(1)	Notice of an annual general meeting	at least 30 days	
45(2)	Notice of special resolution	at least 21 days	

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## PART 3 – ADDITIONAL DETAILS

### **Composition of Committee (clause 22)**

In addition to the office holders specified in the Constitution, the Executive Committee consists of –

- (a) three member positions elected at the time of the Annual General Meeting;

### **Eligibility of committee members (clause 24)**

In addition to the criterion specified in the Constitution, a committee member must meet the following criteria:

NIL additional

### **Vacating office (clause 29)**

In addition to the circumstances specified in the Constitution, the office of a committee member becomes vacant if –

NIL additional

### **Annual Membership fees (clause 11(4) )**

#### **(1) Single**

A Single Membership is an individual and entitles that person to receive a copy of the Society's official journal *Progenitor*, to advertise free of charge in *Progenitor*, to receive aid with research where this can be done without cost to the Society.

#### **(2) Family**

Two persons at the same postal address, both will have the same privileges as a Single Membership but will receive one copy of *Progenitor*.

#### **(3) Single Pensioner**

A person in possession of a Commonwealth Pensioner Benefit Concession Card may nominate as a "Pensioner Membership", will have the same privileges as a Single Membership.

#### **(4) Family Pensioner**

Two persons at the same postal address, who are in possession of a Commonwealth Pensioner Benefit Concession Card, will have the same privileges as an Single Membership but will receive one copy of *Progenitor*.

#### **(5) Single Country**

Country membership is available to Northern Territory residents living beyond the Darwin Rural area past Batchelor. Country Members may request four free hours of research in a financial year. Additional research will attract a fee at half of the normal rate. Country Members may also borrow Journals via the post. Members are responsible for the postage from and to Darwin. Single Country Membership entitles that person to receive a

copy of *Progenitor*, to attend meetings, to vote and to advertise free of charge in *Progenitor*.

**(6) Family Country**

Two persons at the same postal address who both have the same privileges as a Single Country Membership but will receive one *Progenitor*.

**(7) Corporate**

Receives the Society's journal *Progenitor* which is published four times per year. This membership is not entitled to any library privileges or voting rights.

**(8) Honorary**

The Executive Committee may recommend to the members in a General Meeting, the name of a person who because of their service to the Society is deemed worthy of appointment as an "Honorary Member". Such appointment to be approved of by at least 25% of the financial members in General Meeting. The Honorary Member shall have the privileges of membership, shall not be required to pay the annual fee for membership. The rights, privileges or obligations of a person by virtue of his/her membership of the Society:-

- a) is not capable of being transferred or transmitted to another person;  
and
- a) terminates upon the cessation of his/her membership whether by death, resignation or otherwise.

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