

ASRT Articles of Incorporation, 2017 ASRT Bylaws, 2021

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### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

#### **ARTICLE I**

The name of this organization shall be known as the American Society of Radiologic Technologists. The general nature of its business shall be educational, scientific and socioeconomic. The principal place of business of this corporation shall be located in the City of Chicago, County of Cook, State of Illinois, or at any other such place or places within the State of Illinois as the Board of Directors may from time to time determine by resolution thereof.

#### **ARTICLE II**

The time of commencement of this corporation shall be Jan. 16, 1932, and the period of its duration shall be in perpetuity.

## **ARTICLE III**

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## **ASRT BYLAWS**

# ARTICLE I

Name

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- B. Student members are those who are enrolled in primary medical imaging or radiation therapy programs. They shall have all rights, privileges and obligations of Active members. Eligibility for Student membership shall terminate upon initial certification.
- C. Graduate Bridge members are those who meet the following qualifications:
  - have graduated from an accredited program or a program in an accredited institution accepted by certification agencies recognized by the ASRT in their initial medical imaging or radiation therapy program within the past 24 months; or
  - are registered or certified in a primary modality by certification agencies recognized by the ASRT and are within 24 months of their initial certification. They shall have all rights, privileges and obligations of Active members.
- D. Emeritus members are those who have reached age 65, maintained membership in good standing in the ASRT for at least 30 years and applied for emeritus status. They shall have all rights, privileges and obligations of Active members except to hold office or serve as a delegate. They shall pay no membership dues. No new members shall be inducted into this category after January 1, 1990.
- Life members are those voting members who have provided exceptional service and dedication to the ASRT and the profession. For every 2,500 active members, one living member who has maintained continuous membership for a minimum of 30 years will be eligible to become a Life member. Life member nominees shall be selected by three- fourths vote of the entire membership of the Board of Directors. They shall have all rights, privileges and obligations of Active members. They shall pay no membership dues.
- Retired members are those who meet the following qualifications:

  1. have requested this status from the ASRT and submit one of the following documents to the ASRT:
  - a. evidence of retirement status from a certification agency recognized by the
  - b. a certificate of recognition from a certification agency recognized by the ASRT.

They shall have all rights, privileges and obligations of Active members except to hold office or serve as a delegate.

- Radiologist assistants are those registered radiologic technologists who hold the credential R.R.A. They shall have all rights, privileges and obligations of Active members.
- H. Active Military members are those who are registered or certified in a prima0919.W*nQq0.00000912 ET0.00.00000912 0 612 792 reW3QtynBc0 6190 30 0iTf1 0 0 1 217.73

# **ARTICLE V**House of Delegates

**Section 1. Purpose** The

- 2. Delegates shall be elected for a term of two years. The term shall begin at the close of the annual meeting of the House of Delegates in the year the delegate is elected.
- 3. A delegate shall be limited to two, two-year consecutive terms unless there is not a full slate of qualified candidates nominated.
- 4. The delegate candidates receiving the third and fourth highest number of votes on the ballot are the elected alternate delegates.
- 5. An alternate delegate shall serve a one-year term. The term shall begin at the close of the annual meeting of the House of Delegates in the year the alternate delegate is elected.
- 6. If an alternate is not elected, this position remains open until the next regular election.
- 7. A delegate shall be a voting member of the ASRT for two years immediately preceding nomination.
- 8. A delegate, excluding a military delegate, shall be a member of an affiliate or have served as a Military Chapter delegate for two years immediately preceding nomination.
- 9. A delegate, excluding a military delegate, shall have served as an officer, delegate or an elected or appointed ASRT position, or as an officer on the Board of Directors or as a committee member in an affiliate.
- 10. In chapters where certification and/or post primary examination offered by an ASRT-recognized organization exists, the delegate shall show proof of current credential and documentation of current practice in the discipline or specialty being represented.
- 11. In chapters where certification and/or post primary examination offered by an ASRT-recognized organization does not exist, the delegate shall show proof of documentation of current practice in the discipline or specialty being represented.
- 12. Military delegates shall be on active duty in the United States Armed Forces.
- 13. A delegate, excluding a military delegate, shall only be elected to represent a chapter of which the delegate is a member for the two years immediately preceding nomination.
- 14. A military delegate shall be a member of the Military Chapter at the time of nomination.
- 15. A delegate who met qualification requirements at the time of nomination shall be permitted to complete the term regardless of employment status changes. A military delegate who met qualification requirements at the time of nomination shall be permitted to complete the term in the event of retirement or honorable discharge from active duty.
- 16. A delegate may serve concurrently on the board of any national medical imaging or radiation therapy certification or national accreditation agency.
- 17. A delegate shall have the time and availability for necessary travel to represent the ASRT.
- 18. A delegate shall attend the annual meeting of the House of Delegates and all meetings required of delegates.

#### **Section 8. Probation**

A. If an affiliate fails to seat at least one delegate or a chapter fails to seat at least two delegates at all business meetings of the House of Delegates for two consecutive years, that affiliate or chapter enters into probationary status.

### Section 9. Nominations and Elections of Speaker and Vice Speaker

- A. At the annual meeting of the House of Delegates, prior to the close of the last business meeting of the House, a speaker of the House and a vice speaker of the House, who are members of the House, shall be elected by the credentialed delegates.
- B. Nominations for speaker and vice speaker of the House of Delegate

B. A speaker or vice speaker who met qualification requirements at the time of nomination shall be permitted to complete the term regardless of employment status changes.

#### Section 11. Terms of Speaker and Vice Speaker

- A. The speaker and vice speaker shall be elected to serve for one year and shall be limited to two consecutive one-year terms unless there are no qualified candidates nominated.
- B. Terms that are not consecutive shall not be restricted.
- C. The term shall begin once duly installed.

### Section 12. Duties of Speaker and Vice Speaker

- A. Speaker
  - 1. Shall preside at all House meetings.
  - 2. May vote only if his or her vote will make a difference in the outcome of the question being considered.
  - 3. Shall be a member of the Board of Directors.
  - 4. For additional duties related to committees see Article IX.
- B. Vice Speaker
  - 1. Shall be a nonvoting member of the House.
  - 2. In the absence of the speaker, the vice speaker shall assume the duties of the speaker of the House, including the right to vote when the vote will make a difference.
  - 3. Shall be a member of the Board of Directors.

#### Section 13. Vacancy of Speaker and Vice Speaker

- A. A vacancy in the office of speaker of the House shall be filled by the vice speaker.
- B. A vacancy in the office of vice speaker of the House shall be filled by a special election of the House of Delegates.
- C. In the case of a concurrent vacancy in the office of speaker and vice speaker, the office of speaker shall be filled by appointment by a majority vote of the entire remaining membership of the Board of Directors.

#### **ARTICLE VI**

# Nominations and Elections

#### Section 1. Composition and Responsibilities of the Committee on Nominations

- A. The Board of Directors shall appoint a chair and six members to the Committee on Nominations, none of whom may be members of the Board of Directors.
- B. It shall be the duty of the Committee on Nominations to review candidate information and present all qualified candidates for ASRT officer and chapter delegate positions.

#### **Section 2. Nominations**

- A. Nominations of officers and chapter delegates may be submitted by any ASRT voting member. Nominations shall be received in the ASRT office by the end of the first business day of October. Completed candidate information forms shall be received in the ASRT office by the end of the first business day of November.
- B. An individual may not run for more than one officer position on the same ballot.
- C. An individual may not run for a national office and chapter delegate position on the same ballot.
- D. An individual may not run for more than one chapter delegate position on the same ballot.
- E. An individual shall not hold an ASRT Board of Directors position and be a chapter delegate, affiliate delegate or hold an affiliate board position simultaneously.
- F. An individual shall not hold a chapter delegate and affiliate delegate position, simultaneously.

#### **Section 3. Balloting**

- A. Ballots prepared by the ASRT office shall be made available to the voting members at least 120 days prior to the beginning of the annual meeting of the House of Delegates.
- B. Ballots shall be cast no later than 90 days prior to the beginning of the annual meeting of the House of Delegates. Ballots postmarked after this date shall not be counted.
- C. Write-in votes are prohibited for all officer and chapter delegate positions.

#### **Section 4. Election and Notification**

A. The vice president, president-elect, secretary and treasurer and chapter delegate

# **ARTICLE VIII** Censure, Reprimand and

#### ARTICLE IX

#### **Committees**

- A. There shall be committees as deemed necessary appointed by the Board of Directors, president, president-elect or speaker of the House of Delegates.
- B. The appointing authority may appoint Board members as ex-officio members of all committees, except the Committee on Nominations.
- C. The Board shall appoint and provide charges to committees appointed by the Board.
- D. The president-elect shall appoint and provide charges to presidential committees for his or her presidential year.
- E. The speaker shall appoint and provide charges to House committees.
- F. A vacancy in any committee shall be filled by the appointing power.

#### **ARTICLE X**

#### **Affiliate Organizations and Chapters**

#### **Section 1. Affiliate Organizations**

- A. The ASRT has granted one affiliate charter in each state, the District of Columbia, Guam, Puerto Rico and the city of Philadelphia.
- B. Annually, each affiliate shall renew its charter within 60 days after the close of its fiscal year; failure to do so places the affiliate in inactive status.
- C. Annually, each affiliate within 60 days after the close of its fiscal year, as part of its compliance obligations, shall submit the following to the ASRT:
  - 1. Annual budget/financial statement.
  - 2. Affiliate bylaws in agreement with ASRT Bylaws.
  - 3. Articles of incorporation.
  - 4. Certificate of good standing or proof of active incorporation verifying corporate existence is valid dated no later than 90 days prior to application being submitted.
  - 5. Evidence of IRS recognition of tax-exempt status (e.g., determination letter issued to applicant or letter requesting ASRT include applicant in group exemption number).
  - 6. Verification that affiliate officers are ASRT members.
  - 7. Annual meeting information.
  - 8. Names and contact information for officers and board members.
  - 9. List of affiliate subordinates recognized by affiliate and attestation that these subordinates are in compliance with ASRT affiliate subordinate policies and procedures.
  - 10. Verification that the affiliate filed the appropriate tax returns with the IRS in the prior year.

### **ARTICLE XII**

### **Electronic Meetings and Communication**

### **Section 1. Meetings**

The Board of Directors, House of Delegates and all committees and subcommittees shall be authorized to meet by telephone conference or through other electronic communications media so long as all the members may simultaneously hear each other and participate during the meeting.

#### **Section 2. Communication**

All communication required in these bylaws, including meeting notices, may be sent electronically.

# **ARTICLE XIII**Parliamentary Authority

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## **ARTICLE XV** Emergency Bylaws

This Article XV shall become operative upon majority vote of the Board of Directors as a

act of God, war, government regulation or advisory (including travel advisory warnings), travel restrictions by employers due to laws, civil disruption or disturbance, terrorism or threats of