

## **ARTICLE IV: MEMBERSHIP**

### **SECTION 4.13: MEMBERSHIP DESIGNATIONS**

[Changes are subject to approval by a simple majority of the Membership Quorum.]

#### **PURPOSE**

Membership Designations for the members of the Association are as provided for in this Section.

#### **AUTHORITY**

The general eligibility requirements for Designation of membership and the benefits associated therewith are as provided in this Section of the Policy Manual and may be restricted in accordance with other sections of this Policy Manual.

#### **POLICY**

##### **1. Life Member**

- 1.1 This highest level of membership designation is intended to recognize a member's outstanding contributions to the advancement of the art of public safety communications and APCO International's goals. Life Member status shall be awarded only to those individuals currently holding another category of membership in the Association, except Online Member. The Life Member title shall be added to that of another category of membership other than Online Member.
- 1.2 This honor may be bestowed upon members who have, at the Association level, made significant contributions toward the fulfillment of the purpose of the Association. Consideration will be given to the range of applicable accomplishments that demonstrate the candidate's breadth of contributions to the purpose of APCO.
- 1.3 To be eligible for APCO Life Member, the nominee shall, as a minimum, complete the requirements of either 1.3.1 or 1.3.2 identified below:
  - 1.3.1 Served a full term as President of the Association or;

- 1.3.2 Been a member in good standing of APCO International for a minimum of fifteen (15) years; be a member in good standing at the time of the award; and demonstrated at least five (5) major accomplishments which have contributed significantly towards meeting the global needs of the Association with regards to all regulatory and policy making bodies, the commercial, general public safety, and international communities, or any combination thereof. A list of major accomplishments to be used to determine Life Member qualifications is shown below:
- 1.3.2.1 Served at least four (4) years as an Executive Council Member;
  - 1.3.2.2 Served at least four (4) years on the International Board of Directors;
  - 1.2.3.3 Served at least two (2) years as a Group Leader;
  - 1.3.2.4 Served at least four (4) years as a Commercial Advisory Council member;
  - 1.3.2.5 Served at least four (4) years as a Local Area Frequency Advisor;
  - 1.3.2.6 Served as the Chair of an Association Committee, Standing Committee, or Special Task Force (e.g. Projects 25, 31, 33, 34, 35, CALEA, etc.); chairing each such Committee or Task Force would constitute a single accomplishment;
  - 1.3.2.7 Served at least two (2) years as an actively engaged member of an Association Advisory Committee. Membership on each such Committee shall constitute a single accomplishment;
  - 1.3.2.8 Served at least four (4) years as an actively engaged member of one or more Association Standing Committees; not more than two (2) accomplishments may be counted from this subsection; Membership on each such Committee shall constitute a single accomplishment;
  - 1.3.2.9 Served as the Chair of a Regional Conference, or as Chair of a Regional Conference Standing Committee;
  - 1.3.2.10 Served as the Chair of an Annual International Conference; or as Chair of an Annual International Conference Standing Committee;

- 1.3.2.11 Made other significant contributions that promote APCO-International in a global scope or to the art of public safety communications (e.g., NPSTC, PSWAC, NCC, NASNA etc.);not more than one (1) accomplishment may be counted from the subsection; and
    - 1.3.2.12 Served at least four (4) years as an actively engaged member of a committee identified in this Policy Manual as being an Executive Council Committee. Membership on each such Committee shall constitute a single accomplishment.
  - 1.4 Nominations for the Designation as a Life Member shall be made in accordance with Life Member Nomination Procedures of this Policy Manual.
  - 1.5 The APCO International Life Member designation and the member's regular other membership category title with all its privileges and benefits shall be enjoyed, and held exempt from dues, for the life or until the resignation of such member.
    - 1.5.1 Members in any membership category, except Online Member, who have been granted the designation of "Life Member" have the right to vote within the Membership Quorum.
  - 1.6 An individual's eligibility for membership in the Full Member category or the Commercial Member category is based solely upon his/her employment status at any particular point in time and is independent of their designation as a Life Member.
    - 1.6.1 Individuals whose membership eligibility changes from Full Member to Commercial Member, or vice versa, shall so notify the APCO office.
- 2. Senior Member
  - 2.1 The designation of "Senior" may be added to any category of individual membership, except Online Member.
  - 2.2 To be eligible for APCO International Senior Member, the nominee shall, at a minimum, have been a member in good standing of APCO for at least ten (10) years; be a member in good standing at the time of the award; and demonstrated at least four (4) significant contributions to APCO, including one on an Association level. A list of significant contributions to be used to determine Senior Member qualifications is shown below:
    - 2.2.1 Served at least one (1) year as President of a Chapter;
    - 2.2.2 Served at least two (2) years as an Executive Council Member;
    - 2.2.3 Served at least two (2) years on the International Board of Directors;

- 2.2.4 Served at least two (2) years as a Commercial Advisory Council member;
  - 2.2.5 Served as an actively engaged member of an Association Committee or Special Task Force (e.g. Project 25, 31, 33, 34, 35, CALEA, etc.) Membership on each such Committee shall constitute a single accomplishment;
  - 2.2.6 Served at least two (2) years as an actively engaged member of one or more Association Standing Committees not more than one (1) accomplishment may be counted from the subsection;
  - 2.2.7 Served as a Chair of a Chapter, Regional, or Annual International Conference; not more than one (1) accomplishment may be counted from the subsection;
  - 2.2.8 Served at least two (2) years as a Local Area Frequency Advisor;
  - 2.2.9 Served at least two (2) years as a member of the Chapter Executive Committee;
  - 2.2.10 Served successfully two (2) years as the Chair of a Chapter Standing Committee;
  - 2.2.11 Served at least two (2) years as a member of an APCO International Advisory Committee. Membership on each such Committee shall constitute a single accomplishment;
  - 2.2.12 Served as a presenter at a Chapter, Regional, or Annual International Conference; not more than one (1) accomplishment may be counted from this subsection.
  - 2.2.13 Served as Chapter Committee member for a major legislative accomplishment;
  - 2.2.14 Served at least two (2) years as the Chair of a Regional Spectrum Planning Committee;
  - 2.2.15 Served a full term as an officer of another national or international public safety organization (e.g. IACP, IAFC, NENA, etc.); or
  - 2.2.16 Made other contributions that promote APCO-International (beyond benefit to a single Chapter) or to the art of Public Safety Communications; not more than one (1) accomplishment may be counted from this subsection; and
  - 2.2.17 Served two (2) or more years as a Group Leader;
  - 2.2.18 Served successfully as the Chair of an Association Committee, Standing Committee, or Special Task Force (e.g. Projects 25, 31, 33, 34, 35, CALEA, etc.), chairing each such Committee or Task Force would constitute a single accomplishment.
- 2.3 Nominations for the Designation as a Senior Member shall be made in accordance with Senior Member Nomination Procedures of this Policy Manual.

- 2.4 The APCO Senior Member designation and the member's regular other membership title with all its privileges and benefits shall be enjoyed for the life or until the resignation of such member.
3. Multiple Membership
  - 3.1 This category provides for membership in more than one Chapter in accordance with the following requirements to be met by the applicant who shall be:
    - 3.1.1 A paid up member in their Home Chapter, AND;
    - 3.1.2 A paid up Multiple Member in any additional Chapter(s) in which he/she is also qualified.
  - 3.2 The individual's membership category in each Chapter for which he/she becomes a Multiple Member shall be the same as the membership category held in the member's Home Chapter.
    - 3.2.1 Members shall enjoy the same rights and privileges within each Chapter to which they have become a Multiple Member as the rights and privileges granted to members for whom that Chapter is the Home Chapter.
  - 3.3 Multiple Members shall be provided with credentials that indicate their status as a Multiple Member.
4. Honorary Member
  - 4.1 Only the Board of Directors may confer this category of membership.
  - 4.2 This membership is limited to those individuals who may have no incentive to obtain membership in any category but, by virtue of their position or accomplishments, it is in the best interest of APCO International, Inc., that the individual have information regarding APCO International, Inc., including the official APCO magazine and other publications, filings and items of information regarding the activities of APCO International, Inc.
  - 4.3 Membership shall be established with the publication of a list (annually or sooner if necessary) of qualified individuals as determined by the Association Board of Directors.
  - 4.4 The APCO International Honorary member shall not vote or hold office in any capacity, except that they may serve as ex officio members of any committee.
5. Chapter Life Member
  - 5.1 Each Chapter desiring to confer Chapter Life Membership shall develop a list of requirements for this category of membership.
    - 5.1.2 A suggested list of qualifications for this category is provided in the Chapter Life Member Guidelines of this Policy Manual.
  - 5.2 This honor shall be bestowed upon qualified members by the nominee's Chapter in accordance with the requirements of this Policy Manual.

6. Chapter Honorary Member

- 6.1 Each Chapter desiring to confer Chapter Honorary Membership shall do so in accordance with the requirements in the Chapter Honorary Member Guidelines of this Policy Manual.

## **ARTICLE V: EXECUTIVE COUNCIL**

### **SECTION 5.1: MEETINGS**

[Changes are subject to approval by a simple majority of the Executive Council.]

#### **PURPOSE**

To establish the required meetings for the Executive Council of the Association.

#### **AUTHORITY**

The meetings of the Executive Council are authorized by Article VI of the Association Bylaws.

#### **POLICY**

1. Annual Conference Executive Council Session.
  - 1.1 The Annual Conference Session is a meeting or series of meetings that will be held immediately prior to the convening of or during the Annual Conference.
  - 1.2 The Annual Conference Session will be held in the same city as the Annual Conference.
2. Management Committee
  - 2.1 The Management Committee, as established in 7.2 of this Policy Manual, shall set the agenda for the Session and designate a Presider from among the Executive Council members.
3. Other Executive Council Sessions.
  - 3.1 The Management Committee shall provide no less than two weeks prior written notice of the time and place for a Special Session of the Executive Council.
    - 3.1.1 The notice shall be delivered to the President and elected Executive Council member of each Chapter, International Affiliate, and the Board of Directors.
    - 3.1.2 The notice shall include the agenda for the Session and supporting materials.
4. Reconvening the Executive Council.
  - 4.1 During any Session of the Executive Council, the Management Committee, upon its own initiative, may call a meeting of the Executive Council subject to the following notification requirements: