

CONNECTICUT POLICE FOUNDATION

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I – NAME

The name of the corporation is the Connecticut Police Foundation.

ARTICLE II – PURPOSE

The Connecticut Police Foundation is a citizen-based, non-profit organization which is pledged to support enlightened, quality law enforcement for the public good. The Connecticut Police Foundation will work in cooperation with the Connecticut Police Chiefs Association and other groups which share similar goals. Specifically, the organization will pursue the following.

- (a) To improve community understanding of the role of police as public service providers.
- (b) To encourage the highest standards in the police profession.
- (c) To promote education and selection standards for Connecticut police departments.
- (d) To support good community-police relations.

ARTICLE III – MANAGEMENT

Section 1: The property, business, funds, and affairs of the corporation shall be managed by the Board of Directors.

The corporation shall have an Executive Director. The Executive Director shall have such powers and duties as shall be prescribed by or in the manner provided in the Bylaws and appointed in the manner provided by the Bylaws.

Section 2: The Board of Directors shall have the control and management of all properties, assets, and operations of the corporation, and shall determine the manner in which funds, both principal and income, shall be applied within the limitation of the Certificate of Incorporation of the Corporation, and the laws of the State of Connecticut.

Section 3: The Board of Directors may create rules or regulations governing the conduct of the business and affairs of the Board and of the corporation, which are not specifically provided for in the Constitution or Bylaws of the corporation.

Section 4: In case of dissolution of the corporation and liquidation of its affairs, any remaining assets shall be distributed to another organization or organizations, for charitable or educational purposes, to be used in such a manner as will best accomplish the purposes for which this corporation is organized, or to a local, state or the Federal Government for public purposes.

ARTICLE IV – MEETINGS

Section 1: The Board of Directors shall convene an annual meeting for the purpose of election of officers and for the transaction of any other business that may come before such meeting. The annual meeting shall be held in the Fall of each year, on such date and at such time and place as may be determined by the Directors.

Section 2: Special meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held at the call of the Chairman or by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

Section 3: Notice of each annual or special meeting of the corporation shall be mailed to each Director not less than fourteen days in advance of such meeting.

ARTICLE V – BYLAWS

Section 1: Subject to this Constitution, the basic rules for the management and government of the corporation shall be set forth in the Bylaws.

Section 2: The Bylaws may be amended, repealed, or added to the following manner only:

- (a) Five members of the Board of Directors may at any time propose in writing, signed by them, the amendment or repeal of any existing provision of, or the addition of any new provision to, the Bylaws.
- (b) The Executive Director shall present such proposed amendments, repeal, or addition at the next regular meeting of the Board, and shall incorporate in the notice of that meeting a statement that such proposed amendment shall be considered at the meeting.
- (c) At the meeting of the Board of Directors called in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (b) above, the proposed amendment, repeal, or addition to the Bylaws shall be considered and voted upon by the members present. If, at this meeting, a quorum being present, three-fourths of the Directors present vote in favor of such amendment, repeal, or addition, it shall be considered as adopted by the Board of Directors. If there is not a three-fourths favorable vote of the Directors present, the proposed amendment, repeal or addition shall fail.
- (d) Amendments, repeals, or additions adopted by the Board of Directors shall be published by the Executive Director in the official bulletin. They shall become effective thirty days after publication.

ARTICLE VI – AMENDMENTS

The Constitution may be amended, repealed or added to in the same manner as the Bylaws.

ARTICLE VII – LIMITATIONS

Section 1: The corporation is not organized for profit. No part of its net earnings shall inure to the benefit of any private individual; no substantial part of its activities shall influence legislation; it shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distributing of statements), any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. The corporation shall not accumulate out of income amounts which are unreasonable in amount or duration in order to carry out the above-described purposes.

Notwithstanding any other provision of this Constitution, the corporation shall not conduct or carry on any activities not permitted to be conducted or carried on by an organization exempt under Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code and its Regulations as they now exist or as they may hereafter be amended or by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c) (2) of such Code and Regulations as they now exist or as they may hereafter be amended.