

DEMOCRATS

ESTATUTE

TITLE I THE PARTY AND ITS OBJECTIVES

- Article 1 Democrats, legal entity of private law, is a political party with headquarters and residence in the Capital of the Republic and action throughout the national territory, and shall be governed by this Statute will.
- § 1. Democrats will use the term 'DEM', as the name abbreviated in accordance with article 15, item I of Law no. 9096/95 and the symbol of a tree, with one navy blue trunk, and three parts of the crown in the form of the letter "d", being two on the outside light blue and the one in the center light green, all overlapped and transparent.
- Article 2 The party will carry out its activities in accordance with the Federal Constitution, the electoral law and party, and based on your program, on the universal declaration of human rights, on the electoral and party legislation and on the Federal Constitution.
- Sole paragraph The program of the Democrats is based on the principles of democratic regime, the rule of law, free enterprise and social justice.
- Article 3 The period of its duration is indefinite.
- Article 4 Its consolidation or merger with another party or vice versa, depends on the approval of the National Convention, by the majority vote of its members.
- Article 5 Democrats will be dismissed, for all legal purposes, if all its organs of Deliberation, Direction and Municipal, State and National Action no longer function in its political activities and programming for five consecutive years.

TITLE II PARTY AFFILIATION

CHAPTER I PROCEDURES

Article 6 - The party affiliation of the Democrats is permanent and valid throughout the national territory.

Sole paragraph - The current membership of the Liberal Front Party have ensured their continued membership of the Democrats, except for the hypothesis as laid down in Article 127, § 4, hereof.

Article 7 - May join the Democratic voters who, in full enjoyment of their political rights, accept its program and its bylaws, subject to the following procedures:



- I The membership form, official standard model adopted by the party, signed by the applicant will be warranted by another member and delivered to the secretary of the commission of the Municipal Executive Directory.
- II The form will be completed in full and dated in the space provided, with the date on which was delivered to the party.
- III By signing the statement of party affiliation, voters are expressly agreeing with the program and with all provisions of the Statute of the Democrats.
- IV The membership may be made, exceptionally, before the State and National Executive Committees.
- a) In the Municipal Executive Commission the form will be completed in duplicate, being one designed to the municipal register and the second to the voter.
- b) In the State and National Executive Commission the form will be completed in triplicate and is designed to the municipal register, the second to the voter and the third to the Executive responsible for the membership.
- c) The membership may be made also in the party page on the internet, following the instructions of this type of membership.
- V Upon receipt of the membership form, the Secretariat of the Executive Board will post Notice, on the same day, in the headquarters, containing the voter's name, the number of membership and date of receipt, for expression of other members. If the directory does not have a head office, the announcement will be set in the City council or in the Electoral Notary's office for the same purpose.
- VI Any affiliated will be able to challenge, in writing, the affiliation to the membership, within three days from the date of publication of the Notice, making sure the impugnated or its warrantor will have the same period of time for plea.
- VII If there is objection, the Board shall decide in five days, and an appeal to Executive Committee of the hierarchy immediately above, by either party, within three days from the day following the date of the decision.
- VIII If the Notice is not published on the date of membership, the time for appeal will begin to count in the days following the date of its publication; the delay in publication of the Notice fits an immediate appeal to a higher court.
- IX After the three day period for the challenge without any manifestation, the membership will be definitely consolidated, independent of any order.
- § 1. The date of membership, for any administrative or legal effect, will be the one put on the form, when it is received by the Secretariat of the Executive Board of the respective directory.
- § 2 A decision of denial of membership, which will always be justified in minutes, appeal, without suspensive effect, to a higher court within three days from the day following the date of order, made by any interested parties.
- § 3 In the event of a previous partidary bond, the affiliate will have to prove that he attended to all the legal requirements for party defiliation, or communicate their affiliation to the Democrats to the former political party and judge of the respective electoral zone, until the next day, at the risk of being recognized as a dual membership, in which case both are considered null for all purposes.
- § 4 The membership cards must be numbered sequentially with letters preceding the number as follows: in the Municipal, MD; the State, DE, and the National DN.
- § 5 The control of the membership shall be exercised with Municipal Board, through rigorous registration that can be done by the electronic data processing.



- § 6 The registry will contain a voter's name, number and date of membership, the number of the voting card, the section area, social security number and full address, e-mail and phone numbers.
- § 7 When the membership is made in the State or National Executive the affiliated will be responsible for delivering the second page of the form to the Municipal Directory from his home constituency.
- § 8 When receiving the form, the Secretariat of the Municipal Board shall immediately file the registration of the new affiliate.

CHAPTER II POLITICAL GUARANTEE FOR THE AFFILIATED

Article 8 - To participate in conventions and other support acts, entitled to vote and be voted, the voter must be affiliated with the Democrats until five days before the event, excluding the day of event itself.

Article 9 - To run for elective office voter must be affiliated with the Democrats within the period specified in the current electoral legislation.

Article 10 – Mandatorily, on the specified dates in current law, the Executive Commissions will forward to the Municipal Electoral Courts a complete list of all its members, containing the name, date, number of membership and voting cards.

- § 1 The subject of this article will be organized by section, within the respective electoral area.
- § 2 If the subject of this article is not sent by the dates specified, it will remains unchanged the affiliation of all voters appearing in the relations previously sent, except in case of death, disaffiliation, loss of political rights, as well as the cancellation of membership set forth herein.
- \S 3 The ones who consider themselves prejudiced by omission, negligence or bad faith, can claim to the higher representative of the Party and in the absence or delay in treatment, they could amount directly to the common law.
- § 4 The Municipal Board, considering the welfare of the caput of this Article shall forward, within ten days, and in electronic media or e-mail, the relation of members affiliated to the respective State Board, which will consolidate the data and forward them, within thirty days and through the same system, the National Executive.
- Article 11 It is guaranteed to the affiliated full participation in party activities, including postulate positions and functions in their decision-making bodies, direction, action, support and cooperation, as well as running for electives roles.

Sole paragraph – The affiliated can attend or participate in any meeting of bodies supporters, even if not entitled to vote.

Article 12 - The Executive affiliated holding an elective office or holding a position or function in government, can participate in the Democrats Directories and hold office in any of its organs.

Article 13 - The affiliated may belong both to the Municipal Directory from your electoral area, to the State Directory and the National Directory.

CHAPTER III



TRANSFER OF AFFILIATED VOTERS

- Article 14 The affiliated who transfers his voter registration to another municipality, in the same or another State will notify in writing the Municipal Board which is affiliated. It should be also submitted by the affiliated a photocopy of his membership form to the Municipal Board of his new home constituency.
- § 1 When setting up for your new home electoral the affiliated should inform also the Municipal Board the data from your new ballot title, address, e-mail and telephones for the purpose of updating information.
- § 2 The Executive Board that receives the transfer of the voter affiliated will include the name on the record and will send it to the Electoral Registry, for the purposes specified in Article 10, hereof.

CHAPTER IV CANCELLATION OF MEMBERSHIP

Article 15 - The immediate cancellation of membership will occur in the following cases:

- I death;
- II loss of political rights;
- III expulsion;
- IV voluntary desafilliation.
- § 1 To cancel the membership, the affiliate communicates in writing the municipal governing body and the Judge of the Electoral Area in which is registered. After two days of the date of delivery of the notice, the bond becomes extinct, for all purposes.
- Article 16 Disobedience to the manner provided in this Title may raises, in a summary, intervention or dissolution of the directory defaults.

TITLE III THE PARTY ORGANS

CHAPTER I GENERAL ORGANIZATION

Article 17 - The bodies of the Democrats:

- I From decision:
- a) Municipal, State and National Conventions;
- b) Municipal, State and National Directories.
- II From guidance:
- a) Municipal, State and National Executive Committees;
- b) National Political Council.
- III From party action, the Movements:
- a) Democratic Women;
- b) Youth Movement;



- c) Entrepreneur Democrat.
- IV In support:
- a) Audit Committee;
- b) Board of Party Ethics;
- c) State and Municipal Advisory Councils;
- d) Legal Department.
- V In studies, research and promotion ideology Fundação Liberdade e Cidadania.
- VI Auxiliary: Financial Committees and the election campaign.
- Article 18 The Municipal Executive Committee constitutes the fundamental organic unity of the Party and the National Convention its supreme body.
- Article 19 For the purpose of party organization will be treated as cities the precincts of the Federal District.

Article 20 - Three years is the mandate of the members of the party organs, whose election will occur in joint and simultaneously in every sphere of administration, being permitted the reelection. Sole paragraph - The National Executive Committee may extend up to one year the mandate of party organs.

SOLE SECTION REPLACEMENT OF THE PARTY ORGANS

Article 21 - In the absence or disability, the holder of the national party's deliberation and support, will be automatically replaced by a substitute, in descending order of substitution.

- § 1 In the absence or disability, the director of the national party will be automatically replaced by another member, in descending order of posts, except the post of President, which notes on the sole paragraph of Article 71.
- § 2 In case of vacancy, the replacement will be made:
- a) in Directories, by their alternates;
- b) in the Executive Committees for the election of another leader, chosen by their directory among their holders;
- c) in the Organs of Party Action, according to the provisions of the Statute;
- d) in other organs, by designation of the Executive Committee.

CHAPTER II GENERAL CONVENTION

Article 22 - The Convention of the Democrats will be convened and chaired by the President of its Executive Board or Provisional Commission.

Sole paragraph - The Convention can be installed with any number of conventional but may act only with the presence of a qualified quorum.



- Article 23 In the Conventions, for any purpose, deliberations shall be taken by secret ballot, accepting resolutions by acclamation, at the discretion of the President, when there is only one plate registered or not conflicting matter on the agenda for vote.
- § 1 In any case it is allowed the declared or opened vote by the free spontaneous expression of the conventional, for a maximum of two minutes.
- § 2 In the Convention it is forbidden to proxy voting and allowed the cumulative voting.
- $\S 3$ It is defined as cumulative voting the one given by the same conventional accredited by more than one title.
- § 4 The cumulative voting will not be counted for effect of a qualified quorum.

Article 24 - The call of the Convention should meet the following requirements:

- a) publication of Notice in the local press with a minimum of ten days.
- b) personal notification, when possible, to those who are entitled to vote, in the same period of the Notice;
- c) indication, in the announcement and notification of the day, time and place of meeting and declaration of matter included on the agenda and the subject of deliberation;
- d) letter to the Electoral Justice communicating the realization of the Convention.
- § 1 If there is no organ of media in the city, the Notice may be released on radio, speaker service, the Clerk of the Electoral Area or City Council;
- § 2 Having a qualified quorum the lack of publication of the Notice does not invalidate the Convention.
- Article 25 The National Executive is the responsible for setting up the timetable of the Municipal, State and National Common Conventions, when possible, on regular dates across the national territory.
- § 1 The dates of the Extraordinary State Convention will be marked by the National Executive and the Municipal Conventions Meetings shall be determined by the Executive State.
- § 2 In setting the timetable for the Municipal, State and National Common Conventions, the National Executive shall establish sufficient gap between one and another, to allow implementation of legal and administrative procedures for the implementation of each of them.
- § 3 The Convention will be held at any time and day of week, respecting the qualified quorum and objectives of the convocation.
- § 4 The Convention will be held at the headquarters of the municipalities and at the Capitals, however, the criterion of its Executive Board may call it for any district court in the Municipality, for the municipal, for any municipality in the State, for the State, and for any city of the country, for the National.
- Article 26 In the Convention for the composition of directories or choice of candidates for elected posts, shall be considered elected, in its full composition, the plate that reach eighty percent of the valid votes counted.
- § 1 If there is a single plate registered and the President of the Convention does not opt for acclamation then the plate will be considered elected, in all its composition, since it reaches twenty percent of the valid vote counted.
- § 2 Blank ballots and ballots deletions are counted as null.
- § 3 The alternates will be considered elected to the plate that they are inscribed, in order of application for registration.



- § 4 If, for the election of Directory and the delegates and their alternates, as well as in Conventions to chose candidates have been registered more than one plate, and none of them reach the percentage of eighty percent of the conventional vote, excluding zero the nulls and blanks, the vacancies will be divided proportionally among those who have received at least twenty percent of the vote, obeying the order when placing the names in the application record.
- § 5 If the candidates for election of delegates and diretorians give up or give up before the end of the Convention, their names will be replaced by the underwriters of the registration request, in case of single plate and waiver does not reach more than fifty percent of candidates registered; if more than one plate is registered or waiver achieve more than fifty percent of one of the registered plates, and substitutes, this will compete with the remaining candidates.
- § 6 In the event of resignation or withdrawal occur in the Convention to choose candidates for elective posts, the places to fill in the single registered plate, will be filled by a coordinated consensus party.
- § 7 In the convention to choose candidates, in which more than one plate is registered and waiver or withdrawal occur in only one of them this will compete with the names remaining; if the waiver or renunciation reach more than one plate, apply the rule of the preceding paragraph, when possible, becoming the plates registered in one single plate.
- § 8 The vote shall be by one ballot only, regardless the number of plates registered.
- § 9 Ballots will be typed or printed on matte paper, with uniform types of letters, fully reproducing the registered plates, being forbidden any changes.
- Article 27 Each group of at least five conventional may request in writing to their Executive Committee until two days before the Convention, excluding the day of the event, the register of full plate comprising:
- a) candidates to the Directory, the Political Council, the State Advisory Councils and Municipal, Council Audit and, where appropriate, the Council of Party Ethics in equal number of vacancies to be filled, including alternates;
- b) candidates for delegates and alternates, in equal number of vacancies to be filled;
- c) candidates for majority and proportional elective posts, when appropriate.
- § 1 The application for registration of the plate shall be made in duplicate, and the Commission recipient will give a receipt in duplicate, which shall remain with the applicants.
- § 2 The request may indicate that the affiliate, as an auditor, will monitor the vote, counting and announcement of results.
- § 3 May be candidates or auditors the registration subscribers.
- § 4 No candidate may be affiliated for more than one plate; if your name appears in more than one plate, you have to choose between them, under penalty of exclusion of all.
- § 5 If the Executive or Provisional Commission, by any of its members, refuses to receive the application for registration, shall apply to any of the members of the plate can claim their right to compete to the Convention Executive hierarchy immediately above. The appeal will be assessed against any other decision.
- Article 28 The general rules of this Chapter apply to all the conventions, common or extraordinary, whatever their purpose is.
- Article 29 If there are several plates competing for the conventions, subject to the quorum qualified, the closing of the polling will occur five hours after its start, sometimes exceeding the limit of the day.



SECTION I EXTRAORDINARY CONVENTIONS

Article 30 - Extraordinary Convention will be convened for the purpose of constituting the Democrats Directory, where:

- a) is not performed Ordinary Conventions, for any reason;
- b) elected in Ordinary Convention or Extraordinary Convention, there has not been a proper reporting of their composition of the Electoral Court, to note, within 10 (ten) days;
- c) does not exist or no longer exist, whatever the reasons are.
- § 1 When, for any purpose of party organization, there is the need to create various State and Municipal Directories, the extraordinary conventions will be scheduled in uniform dates.
- \S 2 The mandate of the elected Directories in Extraordinary Conventions will end with those allocated to them and have been formed in Ordinary Conventions.
- § 3 The resignation and / or disaffiliation of more than 50% (fifty percent) of the members of directory is due to convene an Extraordinary Convention, preceded by the appointment of a Provisional Commission.

SECTION II PROVISIONAL COMMISSIONS

Article 31 – It will be designated Provisional Commission to organize the party organs, to manage them by the statute and promote their conventions, where:

I - has been dissolved or has had terminative intervention;

II - there is resignation and / or disaffiliation of more than 50% (fifty percent) of the composition of the Executive Comission and / or directory, and

III - does not exist or has been considered perempto.

Sole Paragraph – It will be considered perempto, for all purposes, the body that does not perform Convention on the regular schedule or dates established by the Party.

Article 32 - The Provisional Commission is equivalent to the Directory and Executive, with the same powers and same jurisdiction, observing also that the delegations are assigned to it in the act of designation.

Article 33 - The Provisional Commissions will therefore consist of:

a) Provisional Commissions appointed to organize Directories:

Municipal - 5 (five) to 15 (fifteen);

State - 7 (seven) to 25 (twenty five);

- b) Provisional Commissions appointed to organize Organs of Party Action:
- Municipal: 3 (three);
- State: 5 (five), and
- National: 7 (seven) to 25 (twenty five).
- § 1 The Provisional State Commissions will be headed by a President, a Vice President of Social Affairs, a Vice President of Economic Affairs, a Vice President of subjects related to the municipal directions, a General Secretary, a Treasurer and many members as needed to the limit set forth herein.



- § 2 The Provisional Municipal Commissions will be headed by a President, a Vice President, a General Secretary, a Treasurer and as many members as needed to the limit here established.
- § 3 Replacements for absence or impediment will occur in hierarchical order of their members, in order of placing in the act of designation.

Article 34 - Jurisdiction to appoint Provisional Committee:

- I The National Executive Committee shall appoint the Provisional Committee to organize State Directories and National Party Action Organisms;
- II The State Executive Committee shall appoint the Provisional Committee to organize Municipal Directories and Municipal Party Action Organisms, and
- III The Municipal Executive Committees will designate the Provisional Committee to organize the Municipal Party Action Organisms.

Sole Paragraph - In case of failure of the State or Municipal Executive, the National Executive Commission may designate any State or Municipal Provisional Commission. You can also dismiss them, for the purpose of protecting the interests and integrity of the party.

Article 35 - The Provisional Committee of the State and Municipal Directories will promote the ordinary and extraordinary conventions, including the choice of candidates for elected posts, respecting the qualified quorum.

Sole Paragraph - For the record of plates mentioned in Article 27 hereof, the application should be signed by at least two conventional.

Article 36 - Existence of Conventions convened by Provisional Committee, to discuss any material, including choice of candidates for elected office:

- a) Members of the Provisional Committee;
- b) The State Representatives, Federal Representatives and Senators affiliated to the party, with electoral domicile in the city and state, as appropriate, and
- c) The City Council, only in the Municipal Convention.

Sole paragraph - The qualified quorum to deliberate on the Conventions set out in this article is represented by the presence of an absolute majority of the conventional.

Article 37 - The deadline for implementation of conventions by the Provisional Committees, if not determined in the act of designation of such committees, is one hundred and twenty days.

SECTION III DELEGATES

Article 38 - Each municipality shall be entitled to at least one delegate and one alternate, plus a Delegate and one alternate for each five hundred votes or fraction obtained in the party label in the previous election for the House of Representatives, with the following limits:

- a) up to thirty delegates and thirty deputies in municipalities with up to five hundred thousand voters;
- b) fifty delegates and fifty deputies in municipalities with up to one million voters, and
- c) seventy delegates and seventy deputies in municipalities with more than one million voters.



Article 39 - The number of delegates from each state and the Federal District shall be twice the their representation in Congress.

Sole paragraph – It is guaranteed to the states and the Federal District where the party has organized Directory the right to at least two delegates.

Article 40 - If the election of the directory, do not complete the number of delegates allocated to City or state, or having this lack for any reason, it is for the Executive Board to designate the members and alternates, considering the established limits.

- § 1 Delegates and alternates will be registered in the same plate of the directory.
- § 2 The alternates will be elected at the plate that is inscribed in the order of placement their names are on the registration application.
- § 3 The Executive Board shall send to the hierarchy immediately above, *nominata* from other elected organs along with a list of their delegates and alternates, within three days after the Convention.

SECTION IV MUNICIPAL CONVENTIONS

Article 41 - They are the Convention Hall, convened for the election of the directory, Delegates of the Audit Committee and the Advisory Board, county voters affiliated with the Democrats.

- § 1 Directories will be created on municipalities where the party has a minimum of members, according to the attached table, an integral part hereof.
- § 2 For purposes of participation in the Convention, the Secretariat of the Executive or Provisory Commission organize a complete list of affiliates that will be made available to registered plates competitors to the election until three days before the event, excluding the day of the Convention.
- § 3 Observing the attached table referred to in § 1 of this Article, a qualified quorum for deliberation is ten percent of the minimum number of members, for municipalities with up to two hundred thousand voters, and five percent of the minimum number of members for municipalities with over two hundred thousand voters.

Article 42 - The Municipal Conventions, convened to deliberate on other responsibilities, including choice of candidates for elected office, shall consist of:

- a) the delegates or their alternates to the State Convention;
- b) the Municipal Board members or their alternates;
- c) the City Council, the State Representatives, Federal Representatives and Senators with an address election in the city.

Sole paragraph - The qualified quorum for the deliberations of this article is represented by the presence of an absolute majority of the conventional.

Article 43 – It is for the Convention Hall:

- a) elect the Municipal Directory and their alternates and the delegates and alternates to the State Convention;
- b) elect the Audit Committee and the Advisory Councils;
- c) choose their candidates for Mayor, Deputy Mayor and City Council Municipal elections;
- d) approve the Municipal coalitions;
- e) decide on party political issues and administrative as well as those relating to heritage Party in the City, and



f) review and approve the plan of government of their candidates for Mayor.

SECTION V REGIONAL CONVENTIONS

Article 44 - State Convention will be convened in the states where the party has Municipal Directories consisting of at least ten percent of the municipalities.

- § 1. The State Convention, called for any purpose, including choice of candidates for public office, shall consist of:
- a) Delegates or their alternates to the State Convention;
- b) State Board members or their alternates, and
- c) Deputies, Federal Representatives and Senators of the State.
- § 2. The qualified quorum for deliberation in the Convention State is represented by the presence of:
- a) Delegates representing at least five percent of the municipalities where the Democrats Municipal Directory has established.
- b) half of the sum plus one of conventional referred to on letters b and c on the preceding paragraph.

Article 45 – It is for the State Convention:

- a) elect the State Directory and their deputies, as well as delegates and alternates to National Convention:
- b) elect the Audit Committee, the Advisory Council and the Ethics Party Council, State;
- c) choose candidates for office, from the state;
- d) approve the party coalitions;
- e) review and approve the plans of government of its candidates to the State Government, and
- f) decide on the political and administrative issues as well as those relating to Heritage Party within the State.

SECTION VI NATIONAL CONVENTION

Article 46 - The installation of the National Convention will depend on the existence of at least nine State Directories constituted.

- § 1 They are the National Convention:
- a) the delegates or their alternates, the State Directories;
- b) the National Board members or their alternates, and
- c) the Party representatives in Congress.
- § 2 The quorum for deliberation qualified in the National Convention is represented by the presence of:
- a) delegates representing at least nine State Directories;
- b) half of the sum plus one of conventional referred to on letters b and c on the preceding paragraph.

Article 47 – It is for the National Convention:

a) elect the National Directory and their alternates;



- b) elect the Audit Committee, the Ethics Party Council, and nominate and invest immediately to the National Political Council;
- c) choose the party candidates for president and Vice-Presidency;
- d) review and approve the plan of government of its candidates for president;
- e) decide about political affairs and administration, with effects throughout the national territory, including those related to assets of the Party;
- f) decide on the merger or incorporation of the Democratic Party to another party or vice versa, and on its dissolution and the disposition of his assets, and
- g) decide on the reform program, the Regulations and Code of Party Ethics.

Sole Paragraph - Except for the items available in the points 'a' and 'b' of this article, all the others should be subjected to prior opinion of the National Political Council.

TITLE IV THE DIRECTORY

CHAPTER I GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Article 48 - The Directories are convened and chaired by the Presidents of the Executive Committees. Convocation shall be called by Notice 10 days in advance or any form of advertising, to enable the presence of an absolute majority of its members.

- § 1 In the directory meetings the deliberations may be by secret vote or by acclamation, depending on the nature of the subject, at the discretion of the Head of the board.
- § 2 In any case the vote may be declared or opened by the free spontaneous expression of the member for a maximum of two minutes.
- § 3 In the meetings of the directory is prohibited cumulative voting and proxy voting.

Article 49 - The National Directory will have, when possible, at least one member elected from each state section party.

Article 50 - The Directory will constitute the following number of members, being expressed in the Call Notice in their conventions, not counting the original members:

I - Municipal:

Fifteen to forty-five members, plus one-third of deputies.

II - State:

Forty-five to seventy-one members, plus one-third of deputies.

III - National:

Up to hundred and one members, plus one-third of deputies.

- § 1° Permanent members of the Directories: Presidents of Sectors of Partisan Actions and Leaders in their respective chambers.
- § 2° Permanent members of the National Directory: Former Presidents of the National Executive Committee, former Presidents of the Institute Tancredo Neves, as well as former Presidents of the Board of Trustees and the Executive Board of the Foundation Freedom and Citizenship.



Article 51 - The directories and other elected bodies in these Bylaws shall be automatically invested with the announcement of the results of the vote in their respective conventions.

CHAPTER II MUNICIPAL DIRECTORIES

Article 52 - The Municipal Directory will elect, immediately, or up to five days after the convention, excluding the day of the event, the Executive Committee composed of:

- a) a Chairman;
- b) a Vice-President;
- c) a Secretary;
- d) a Treasurer, and
- e) four members.
- § 1. In addition to the composition indicated in this article, comprise the Municipal Executive Committee as permanent members, with voice and vote, the Leader in City Hall and City Council Presidents of the Governing Councils of Party Action.
- § 2. Failure to comply with the deadline established in this Article shall give rise to invalidity of the Convention and designation of a Provisional Commission for the State Directory, to provide the party in the Municipality.

Article 53 - In municipalities with more than ten precincts it can be created a District directory for each zone.

- § 1 The District Directories, appointed by the Executive Board of the City Directory will be formed by a President, a Secretary, a Treasurer and two members with the responsibilities inherent each position.
- § 2 The District Directories will give account of their political, administrative and financial activities to the Municipal Executive.
- § 3 The District Directories are not subject to notes on the Electoral Court.
- § 4 The term of the District Directories will end along with the Municipal Directory which are subordinates.
- § 5 The City Council, the State and Federal Representatives, and Senators with an address election in the city, when not members of the Municipal Directory, may participate in their meetings as well as in the meetings of its Executive, with no right of voting.

Article 54 - It is for the Municipal Directories:

- a) To elect, even in case of vacancy, the members of the Executive Board;
- b) To judge the resources that is brought from the decisions of the Executive Board.

CHAPTER III REGIONAL DIRECTORY

Article 55 - The State Directory will elect, immediately or within five days after the Convention, excluding the day of the event, its Executive Board, composed of:

- a) President:
- b) Vice-President of Social Affairs;



- c) Vice-President for economic affairs;
- d) Vice-President of subjects related to municipal directions.
- e) General Secretary;
- f) Treasurer, and
- g) fifteen members.

Sole Paragraph – Besides the composition indicated in this article, comprise the Executive State Commission as permanent members, with voice and vote, the Leader in the Legislative Assembly and the Presidents of the State Agencies of Party Action.

Article 56 - It is for the State Directories:

- a) To elect, even in case of vacancy, the members of the Executive Board;
- b) To judge the resources that is brought from the decisions of the Executive Board.

CHAPTER IV NATIONAL DIRECTORY

Article 57 - The National Directory shall elect, immediately or within five days after the Convention, excluding the day of the event, its Executive Board, composed of:

- a) President:
- b) Vice-President for economic affairs;
- c) Vice-President of social development issues;
- d) Vice-President of Corporate Affairs;
- e) Vice-President of work issues and housing;
- f) Vice-President of matters relating to education, culture and sport;
- g) Vice-President of matters relating to health:
- h) Vice-President of subjects relating to human rights;
- i) Vice-President of subjects relating to infrastructure and cities;
- j) Vice-President of matters relating to the environment;
- k) Vice President for foreign affairs;
- 1) Vice-President of matters relating to public safety;
- m) Vice-President of issues related to communication and information technology;
- n) Vice-President of matters relating to science and technology;
- o) Vice-President of matters relating to State Directories;
- p) General Secretary;
- q) Treasurer;
- r) twelve members and twelve alternates of effective;
- § 1 Besides the composition indicated in this article, part of the National Executive Committee,
- as permanent members, with voice and vote are:
 a) Former Presidents of the National Executive Committee;
- b) former Presidents of ITN;
- c) the Chairmen of the sectors of National Party Action;
- d) the Party Leaders in the House of Representatives and the Senate;
- e) the holders of the parliamentary leaders of government, majority or minority in the House of Representatives and the Senate;
- f) the parliamentary members of boards of directors of the Chamber of Deputies and the Senate;
- g) the President of the National Political Council;



- h) the President of the Forum of State Deputies.
- § 2 In case the leaders of the Party referred to in the preceding paragraph occupy any of the positions of the caput of this article, will join the National Executive Committee the first Vice-Leaders, with a voice and vote.

Article 58 - It is for the National Directory:

- a) To elect, even in the case of vacancy, the members of the Executive Board;
- b) To judge the resources that is brought from the decisions of the Executive Board.

Sole Paragraph - The decisions of the National Directory, in the resources that are brought, shall be terminative.

CHAPTER V EXECUTIVE COMMISSION

- Article 59 The Executive Committee shall exercise, within the jurisdiction of the respective directories, subject to further review and assessment of these, as appropriate, all the tasks thereto.
- Article 60 The Executive Committees are of permanent delegation of powers to decide on any matters relevant to the administration party, except the private Directory.
- Sole paragraph The Executive Committees, in the jurisdiction of its competence, may establish party guidelines setting up standards and procedures to be mandatorily adopted by the respective legislative house, the party sectors and the membership in general.
- Article 61 The Executive Committees shall be convened by their respective Presidents, by the majority of its members or the majority of the boards through their leaders, and their members should be notified of the date, time, place and, when possible, of the matters contained in the order of day.
- Article 62 The Executive Committee shall act by an absolute majority of its members, not considered for calculating the permanent members.
- § 1 In the event of a vacancy in the Executive Committees, the directory concerned, within sixty days, elect a replacement to complete the term.
- § 2 In the event of vacancy in the Presidency of the State and National Executive Committees the function will be exercised by the oldest Vice-President, until the election of a substitute.
- Article 63 The former Presidents of the State Executive Committees of the Party are permanent members of the respective Executive Committees, without voting rights.
- Article 64 The duties of the Executive Committees are to create offices and the establishment of wages as well as the provision, promotion and dismissal of administrative and technical professional services on a permanent or temporary basis, including the running campaigns.

SECTION I MUNICIPAL EXECUTIVE COMMISSION

Article 65 - It is for the Municipal Executive:



- a) direct, under the Municipal ambit, the activities of the Party and, respecting the National and State policies define the political action to be followed;
- b) appoint the electoral campaign committees;
- c) create and organize the municipal departments, appointing its members, extinguishing them when necessary;
- d) organize, appoint its members, dissolve, reorganize and supervise the activities of the District Directories;
- e) maintain updated the register of members and send, after submission to the Electoral Registry, complete list of the State Directory;
- f) exercise disciplinary action to the organs and members, in the area of jurisdiction;
- g) promote the official purposes of the District Directories and the supporting agencies and existing cooperation;
- h) promote the registration of candidates for elective posts at the Electoral Court and develop their campaigns;
- i) promote, guide and direct the administration party at all levels of competence;
- j) forward a copy of its deliberations to the State Directory;
- 1) keep up its accounting books or data processing;
- m) account for revenue and expenditure incurred on any account, by monthly balance sheets and annual accounts, for the year ended;
- n) take or contest actions at the Electoral Court and the forum in general, in any instance;
- o) accredit delegates and attorneys at the Electoral Court and the forum in general;
- p) promote the monitoring of the elections for elective posts at any level, taking place in the Municipality;
- q) download resolute actions to force the municipality respecting the State and National guidelines;
- r) refer to the Electoral Chamber, within the law, a complete list of its members, as disposed on Article 10, hereof, and
- s) administrate the social heritage of the Party, being permited to acquire, dispose of or mortgage assets.

SECTION II REGIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMISSION

Article 66 - It is for the Executive State:

- a) address within the State, the party activities and complied with National guidance, set parliamentary and political activity in the state;
- b) designate the State Departments, as well as create other departments and auxiliary agencies, removing them when necessary;
- c) judge the resources that is brought from the decisions of the Executive Board and the Municipal Directory;
- d) represent the party and its members at the Electoral Court and the forum in general;
- e) accredit delegates and their attorneys at the Electoral Court and the forum in general, and provide legal assistance to the Municipal Directories;
- f) promote and cooperate with the Municipal Directory on supervision of elections for elective posts, taking place in the State;
- g) forward a copy of its deliberations to the National and Municipal Executive Commission;
- h) exercise disciplinary action to the organs and members, in the area of jurisdiction, refining and promoting the accountability of offenders and deciding the penalty to be applied;



- i) promote the State Convention for any purpose and promote the registration of candidates of the Party for elective posts at the Electoral Court and develop their own electoral campaigns;
- j) administrate the social heritage; acquire, dispose of or mortgage assets.
- 1) keep up the accounts of revenue and expenditure each year on books or data processing, accountable in terms defined by this Statute and the laws of governance;
- m) when appropriate, consider taking the necessary measures, the provision of accounts of the Municipal directories, including those relating to election campaigns;
- n) download resolute actions to force the municipality respecting the National guidelines;
- o) promote the annotation of the Municipal and State Directories at the Electoral Court, within thirty days from the date of the implementation of the convention;
- p) call the State Convention, and convene and preside the Municipal Conventions, in cases of omission of the Municipal Directories;
- q) intervene in Municipal Directories or dissolve them in the form hereof;
- r) suspend or cancel the implementation of the ordinary or extraordinary Municipal Convention, as well as cancel the already held, when determining the partisan interests, and
- s) appoint Provisional Committee and Municipal Stakeholders in accordance with the provisions of this Regulations.

SECTION III NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Article 67 - It is for the National Executive:

- a) direct, under the National ambit, the party activities, in all its fullness;
- b) create and appoint other support and cooperation, removing them when necessary;
- c) promote the changes and the register of the estatute, of the Code of Ethics and the Democrats Program, as well as the rules of the party organs;
- d) download resolute acts establishing general and specific rules of the party to force local or throughout the national territory;
- e) administrate the assets and liabilities, purchase, sell or mortgage property;
- f) keep up your bookkeeping, promoting the register in books or in data processing, being accountable each year at the especific dates;
- g) promote the registration of their candidates for President and Vice-President of the Republic, at the Electoral Court and develop their own campaigns;
- h) exercise disciplinary action in presence of members, the State and City Directories and the other party organs;
- i) establish and promote the responsibility of the state directories and, on failure of them or partisan interests, the municipal as well as all other party organs, deciding directly on its dissolution, intervention, reorganization or expulsion;
- j) judge the appeal brought to from acts and decisions of the State and Municipal organs and any other party organs, including disciplinary punishments imposed on affiliates;
- k) appreciate, exclusively and mandatorily, the application for membership of a senator, congressman, state or district member that has been affiliated to the Party;
- l) take measures for the faithful compliance with the Statute and the Supporters Code of Ethics as well as for the implementation of the Party;
- m) submit to the Political Council the political-party line to be followed throughout the National territory;



- n) convene the National Convention and set the rules for its operation;
- o) convene and chair the State and City Conventions, when the omission of the Executive authority;
- p) setting the Calendar of the Municipal, State and National ordinary Conventions and set the dates of the Extraordinary State Conventions;
- q) cancel Conventions already made and cancel or suspend the implementation of any Convention, ordinary or extraordinary, State or Municipal;
- r) pass to the Foundation Freedom and Citizenship FLC the public funds required by law;
- s) forward to the State Directory and the other party organs, copies of its deliberations to achieve full compliance;
- t) approve the anthem, the colors, the shield or the symbol of the Party and disseminate them throughout the National territory;
- u) create the campaigns and other subsidiary sectors, appointing its members;
- v) when appropriate, examine the checks and balances, including the ones from national, state and municipal election campaigns, taking the necessary steps;
- x) designate their delegates, Attorneys and sub-Attorneys at the Electoral Court and the forum in general, and give legal assistance, when possible, to state and municipal sectors, when necessary;
- z) designate Provisional Commissions and State interventionist ad in the omission of the State Executive, the Municipal Executive, in accordance with the provisions hereof.

SECTION IV NATIONAL POLITICAL COUNCIL

Article 68 - The National Political Council shall consist of:

- a) the National President of the Democrats;
- b) by former Presidents of the Party;
- c) the Governors;
- d) by the Mayors of the Capitals;
- e) Leaders in the House of Representatives and the Senate;
- f) for up to six members elected at the Convention among former Governors, former Ministers of State, former leaders in Congress and former Mayors of Capitals.

Article 69 – Falls to the National Political Council:

- a) sovereign decision on the party line, as well as the possibility of participation of the Democrats in Public Administration, after consultation with the National Executive Committee, and
- b) suggest proposals on coalitions for national and state elections, as well as on applications for the posts of President and Vice-President of the Republic.

Article 70 - The National Political Council will meet yet:

I - every two months to analyze results and proposals of political actions of the party; and

II - extraordinarily when convened at the initiative of its President, the President of the National Executive Committee and the majority of the composition of any of these organs.

CHAPTER VI THE PARTY LEADERS



Article 71 – Falls to the Presidents of the Executive Committees:

- a) represent the party, actively or passively, in and out of court, on the degree of its jurisdiction;
- b) convene and preside over the Convention, the meetings of the Directories, the Executive and, when is the case, the other organs of the Democrats, both ordinary and extraordinary;
- c) authorize the revenues and expenditures, or delegate powers and duties to the Treasurer and other members of the Board;
- d) require the other members and those affiliated with the exaction of their public duties, political and partisan;
- e) convene in the event of vacancy, the alternates in order of their placement in the composition of the party;
- f) direct the Democrats according to the statutory rules and the decisions of its deliberative organs;
- g) lower resolutions, guidelines and other normative acts or executive of the party under jurisdiction within its competence, and
- h) provide and deprive the posts of party services, pursuant to Article 64, hereof.

Sole Paragraph - In the State na National Executive Committees, the President shall appoint the Vice-President who will replace him in his absence.

Article 72 – Falls to the vice-chairmen:

- a) to replace, when indicated, the President in his absence;
- b) collaborate with the President, in the administration of the Party and in solving issues related to the area of his designation;
- c) in compliance with the priorities established by the President or the National Executive, examine and issue a verbal or written advice on matters relating to the area of their assignment;
- d) request the formation of working groups on specific issues of your area of designation;
- e) perform other tasks which is required by the President.

Article 73 – Falls to the General Secretary:

- a) replace the president and vice-chairmen in their absence and impediment;
- b) organize and supervise the party conventions at all levels;
- c) oversee the drafting of the minutes of the meetings and conventions, as well as the publication of the official acts of the Party;
- d) coordinate the party activities, especially from the other organs of support and cooperation, ensuring their proper performance and compliance with the top decisions;
- e) organize the programs of party regimentation, keeping up the general register of directorians, delegates and conventionals;
- f) hire, promote, punish, praise and dispense permanent and temporary staff, in consultation with the president, as well as overseeing the function records and exercising all other assignment inherent;
- g) organize and disseminate partisan activities, maintaining registration of professionals and agencies press throughout the country;
- h) perform other activities relevant to them or committed by higher authority;
- i) promote and oversee the work of party affiliation, control and maintain current registries of party affiliation, fulfilling and enforcing the laws and statutes.
- j) organize, maintain and keep the libraries of the Party;

Article 74 – Falls to the Treasurer:

a) keep under his custody and responsibility pecuniary values and goods of the Party;



- b) sign with the President or any other member of the Board delegated by him, checks, securities and other documents involving financial responsibility;
- c) make payments, receipts and bank deposits;
- d) be responsible for handling financial and banking activities of the Party;
- e) submit monthly to the Executive Board, the balance of revenue and expenditure under the accountability, compliance and enforcing the statutory provisions, especially concerning the provision of accounts of election campaigns;
- f) organize the annual balance sheet of the Party, on the correct dates and submit it to the Audit Committee, the Executive and the Electoral Courts;
- g) keep strictly up to date, the accounting book and budget of the party, promoting permanent adjustments in the revenue and expenditure;
- h) oversee the Financial Committees of the election campaign, ensuring the compliance with the statutes:
- i) replace, in the absence or inability, the Secretaries, the General Secretary, the vice-chairmen and the President;

Article 75 – Falls to the members:

- a) attend meetings and participate in political and administrative decisions of the Party;
- b) replace the remaining members of the Executive in their absence, so avoiding solution of continuity of party administration;
- c) perform other duties assigned to them.

Article 76 - In the Municipal and State Executive Committees, where the number of positions is limited, the tasks defined in this Chapter shall be distributed among them in order to ensure the full assignment of all activities.

CHAPTER VII TABLES

Article 77 - The tables in the City Council, in the Legislative Assembly and in the House District and the Chamber of Deputies and the Senate constitute the fundamental body of political support of the Party and the main instrument for consolidating their postulates.

- Article 78 The tables will constitute their leaders in accordance with the rules of procedures of the Houses Laws to which they belong or in the absence of it, in accordance with the rules that are presented by the Executive Committee.
- § 1. The tables shall comply with the doctrinal principles and program of the Party, the statute rules and guidelines that are presented by the Executive Committee.
- § 2. To discuss specific issues in the voting of their respective Houses Legislative, the tables may close the issue or establish guidelines to be followed by members.
- § 3. For the majority of its members, through the Leaders, the tables may require the call of any party organ to treat the subject expressly stated.

CHAPTER VIII BOOKS OF MINUTES



- Article 79 The books of minutes from the Convention, the Directory, the Executive Committees, the Provisional Committee and other party organs destined for the records of its ordinary and extraordinary meetings, and the other party acts, will be opened, initialed and closed by the respective presidents.
- § 1 The books of minutes of the convention destined to choose candidates for Municipal, State and National elective posts, will be opened, initialed and closed by the President, according to the provisions of relevant legislation.
- § 2 The attendance of any meeting will necessarily precede the minutes as part of member of the same book, not leaving any blank line between the last signature and the beginning of the minutes.
- § 3 The minutes must be terminated by the Secretary and the President and, optionally, signed by all participants of the meeting who wish to sign it.

TITLE V BODIES OF ACTION PARTY AND SUPPORT

CHAPTER I FOUNDATION FREEDOM AND CITIZENSHIP - FLC

Article 80 – The Foundation Freedom and Citizenship - FLC is the official institution of the Democrats, destined to assist you in carrying out scientific research, economic, political and social studies, as well as the promotion of courses, seminars, sponsorship of conventions and other events of party interest, in order to spread its doctrine and its principles.

CHAPTER II DEMOCRATIC WOMEN'S MOVEMENT YOUTH DEMOCRAT ENTREPRENEUR DEMOCRATIC MOVEMENT

- Article 81 The Democratic Women Movement, Youth Democratic Movement and the Entrepreneur Democrats are organs of doctrinal and educational party action, destined to promote expansion and development of the parties in their area, with freedom and exercising activities as provided in their own statutes and in accordance with rules issued by the National Executive of the Democrats.
- § 1. The bodies defined in this article will be divided into National, State and Municipal Boards, with the same goals and the same purposes.
- § 2. The statutes of the bodies mentioned in this article shall be approved or amended by the National Executive and will guard obedience to the Program, to the Statute and to the demands of the Democrats.

CHAPTER III AUDIT COMMITTEE

Article 82 - The Conventions shall elect, among the members, at the same time of the election of the directory, its supervisory board composed of three members and three alternates, being one



President, one Rapporteur and a Secretary, with the expertise to examine and give an opinion on the accounts and promote the reorganization of the accounting Party.

Paragraph - It is forbidden to members of the Executive Council to participate in the Audit Committee.

CHAPTER IV CODE OF ETHICS BOARD OF ETHICS PARTY

Article 83 - The Code of Ethics in all of its contents, is an integral part hereof.

Article 84 - The National Convention and State Conventions shall elect, from among the members, their Partisan Ethics Council composed of five members and five alternates. Sole Paragraph - The Board of Party Ethics aims, when convened, to determine, to opine and advice on claims or representations of any affiliated or body on issues of *corporis internal*.

CHAPTER V REGIONAL AND MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COMMITTEES

Article 85 - The State Advisory Councils are made up of former Presidents of State Directories and at least ten members elected among the most notable affiliates from the State.

Sole paragraph - The Municipal Advisory Councils are made up of former Presidents of Municipal Directories and at least five members elected among the most notable affiliates from the City.

Article 86 - The Advisory Councils shall be elected and sworn in by its Convention, in same time the directory is elected and sworn.

- § 1 The Board Advisory Councils shall consist of a President, a Secretary and three members appointed among its members by the Executive Board of the respective directory.
- § 2 The substitutions in the direction of the Advisory Councils will be in hierarchical order of members.

Article 87 – Falls to the Advisory Councils:

- a) give opinion on any matter of significant political interest on its own initiative or by request of the Executive Committee.
- b) analyze and discuss the program noted, the regulations and the demands of Democrats, the political and socio-economic events of the country;

Sole Paragraph - The members of the Advisory Councils may participate in meetings from the Directories and the Executive, without voting rights.

CHAPTER VI FORUMS OF THE STATE DEPUTIES AND COUNCIL MEMBERS

Article 88 - The Forum of State Deputies is a Body of Party Action of the National Directory, composed of State Deputies affiliated to the party.

§ 1 - The Board of the Forum of State Deputies consists of a President, a Vice President, a Secretary and a member of each of the administrative regions of the country, governed by its own rules, with the following responsibilities:



- a) discuss and formulate state and state development policies;
- b) discuss and propose measures for party development and action;
- c) promote the dissemination of the program and action plans of the party;
- d) discuss and formulate proposals for action for the solution of national problems;
- e) establish exchange programs with mayors and council members of the party.
- § 2 Every semester, at a date fixed by the National Executive Committee, will be held an ordinary meeting session of the Joint Board of the Forum of Deputies with the National Executive of the Democrats, to discuss issues of political-party interest.
- § 3 It depends on the National Executive Committee to appoint the Interim Forum of State Members until the formation of the Board or until it has been deemed voided.
- § 4 The Forum of State Deputies will bring together a Council of Leaders, composed by the leaders of the Democrats in legislatures and in the House District, destined to coordinate the actions of the Forum of State Representatives and elect its Board of Directors.
- § 5 The Leadership Council shall elect among its members, a General Coordinator and a Secretary;
- § 6 The Council of Leaders will participate in the meetings mentioned in § 2 of this article.

Art.89 - The City Council Forum will be constituted under the rules made in the previous article, taking advantage of the alternative provisions in the Rules as above, to act in within the respective unit of the Federation.

CHAPTER VII LEGAL DEPARTMENT

Article 90 - The Legal Department is the national legal aid, linked directly to the Executive Commission and led by a lawyer affiliated with the Party, being his designation and dismissal of exclusive authority of the President of the National Executive.

Article 91 – Falls to the General Attorney:

- a) direct the services of the Legal Department, outline the rules and oversee the operation of Legal State Departments;
- b) maintain, appoint and dismiss the cabinet, with the approval of the President of the National Executive;
- c) represent the party and its affiliates at the Electoral Court and the forum in general, throughout the national territory, in any instance;
- d) indicate to the National Executive the delegates of the Party at the Electoral Court, the General Attorney and national prosecutors;
- e) direct and supervise the activities of prosecutors, attorneys and State and Municipal Delegates of the Party at the Courts and Electoral Courts;
- f) defend the party in all cases that are interested, at any court or Court, personally or through attorneys and Delegates;
- g) opine on any legal matter, when requested by the President of the Party.
- Sole Paragraph The General Attorney exercises its functions with the assistance of the Assistant General Attorney, the Prosecutors and sub-national public prosecutors, to replace him in his absence and impediments.



Article 92 - Each Executive will entitle to represent the party and its affiliates in the Electoral Justice and Forum in general, respectively:

- a) up to three delegates to the Electoral Chamber's jurisdiction of the Municipality;
- b) up to four delegates to the Regional Electoral Court, with jurisdiction throughout the state, including the Electoral Courts;
- c) up to five delegates to the Supreme Electoral Tribunal with jurisdiction throughout the national territory, covering the Regional Courts and Electoral Courts;
- d) many sub-Prosecutors and attorneys as needed, to work in the Electoral Court and the forum in general.
- § 1. The Presidents of the State and Municipal Executive Committees may provide the Attorneys for Legal action in the jurisdiction of the respective directories.
- § 2. Delegates could be the Attorney's Party, which certified copy of the Act, given by the Electoral Court, or the resolution of designation published in the Official Journal, will replace the procuration instrument of the Directory and its affiliates.
- § 3 The procuration instrument of a party directory and of its affiliates to the respective Attorney may be replaced by certified copies of the minutes of the appointment.

TITLE VI DIRECTORIES OF ENDORSEMENT OF THE ELECTORAL COURT CHAPTER ONE FORMALITIES

Article 93 - After the Conventions, Directories elect will be noted in the Electoral Court in the form of legislation.

Sole paragraph - The application note of the Municipal and State directories will be required by the Executive Chairmen of State or their substitutes to the Regional Electoral Courts; the application for registration of the National Directory will be required by the President or his substitute to the Superior Electoral Court.

TITLE VII PARTY DISCIPLINE

CHAPTER I RIGHTS AND DUTIES

Article 94 – The affiliated with the Democrats ensure their rights to:

- a) participate in conventions and other events Supporters;
- b) vote and be voted for the Party offices and for elective public office;
- c) use of the services of party organs;
- d) appear at party meetings;
- e) claim, represent or appeal decisions of the party organs, when they are opposing the laws, the statutory or their interests.
- § 1 In the event of letter 'e' the petition will be forwarded to the Executive Committee.
- § 2 Upon receipt of the complaint, the representation or appeal, the Executive shall appoint a rapporteur to examine its contents and issue its opinion within eight days.



§ 3 - Granted or denied the claim, representation or appeal, in order therefore, shall be communicated to the affiliate in writing, within eight days, leaving him the right to appeal to the Executive hierarchy immediately above in the case of rejection.

Article 95 - The duties of members of the Democrats:

- a) participate in the municipal conventions, in all its fullness;
- b) participate in election campaigns, defending the program and candidates of the Party;
- c) vote for candidates for office nominated by party conventions;
- d) pay the contributions given by their Executive Committees, and
- e) Accept and comply with the resolutions above, the guidelines established by the competent bodies and statutory standards.

Article 96 - The members, especially members of party organs, through the determination in regular process that are afforded ample protection would be subject to disciplinary action, when it is established that they are responsible for:

- a) violation of provisions of the Program, the Statute, the Code of Ethics, or disobedience to policy direction set by the competent body;
- b) disobedience to the decisions and directives taken regularly on issues of the party interest, including the table that belong to the Senator, the Congressman, State Deputy or Councilman;
- c) attack against the normality of the elections;
- d) misconduct in office or exercise public functions, the mandate or agency party;
- e) political activity contrary to the rule of law, democratic rule and the interests supporters;
- f) lack of exaction in the fulfillment of its duties relating to public and party;
- g) abandonment, without good reason in writing, of party positions and functions;
- h) infidelity party, in accordance with relevant legislation and these Bylaws;
- i) to campaign for candidates or party opponents;
- j) insult to the party authorities or the superior orders;

Sole paragraph - The member that, elected by the legend of the Democrats, were to resign from the Party during the mandate, will commit an act of infidelity party and will be subjected to payment of a fine in an amount that will be fixed by resolution of the National Executive Commission.

Article 97 - The following are the disciplinary measures:

- a) warning
- b) suspension of party activities for a specified period of time;
- c) dismissal of function in the party;
- d) expulsion with cancellation of party affiliation
- e) intervention or dissolution of the party organs.
- § 1 Applies the penalty of dismissal of function, depending on the seriousness of the offense, the criterion of the majority of members of the competent organ.
- § 2 the expulsion will occur, with cancellation of membership in cases of extreme gravity and infidelity party, determined in the regular process which is secured to the accused ample defense.
- § 3 Infidelity party is characterized by disobedience to the doctrine and programmatic principles, statutory rules and guidelines established by the competent bodies.
- § 4 It is an act of infidelity party, subjecting the violator to the cancellation penalty application of registration of his candidacy in the Electoral and simultaneous expulsion of the Party, the



candidate of the Democrats who went against the deliberations of the Convention and the partidary interests, to make electoral campaign for candidate or party opponents.

Article 98 - The member that, elected by the legend, resigns from the party in the course of the mandate or is punished with cancellation of party affiliation, will automatically lose the mandate for which was elected.

Sole Paragraph - In case of re-application for membership in the period before five years of disconnection, it should be submitted to its Executive Board, in accordance with nature of the mandate: federal, state or municipal.

Article 99 - Disciplinary measures will be implemented by the National, State or Municipal Executives, fitting resources, within three days, without suspensive effect, to the superior organs.

- § 1 The citation will be made in writing, in person, by post or by Notice published in Official Journal of the State or the Union, as appropriate, for the accused to defend in writing within eight days.
- § 2 In the trial, the members could promote their own defense or be represented by an enabled Prosecutor; the organs may be represented by one of its members or by licensed attorney.
- § 3 In the trial of the claims or representations by its Executive Board will obey the following rite:
- a) open the session, the President shall inform the plenary of the intended purpose and shall call upon the Rapporteur;
- b) made the report, the representative of the charge will speak and shortly thereafter a defense representative, both for ten minutes each, with no asides and without debate;
- c) after the statements of the prosecution and the defense, the rapporteur will deliver his vote to be submitted to the plenary by secret ballot or by acclamation, at the discretion of the Presidency of the table.
- § 4 In cases of extreme gravity and urgency, the National Executive Committee may apply summarily any of the penalties provided for in the caput of Article 97 hereof as well as decree intervention or dissolution of a party organ, at any level of administration party.
- § 5. From the disciplinary action in accordance with the preceding paragraph, will open the contradictory and offered the accused the full rights of defense, without suspensive effect, within sixty days.
- § 6. In all cases mentioned in this article the outcome of the trial will be recorded in ata and published in the official press of the State or the Union, as appropriate.
- § 7. Paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of this article establish the ordinary rite for the disciplinary processes of the Democrats.

CHAPTER II INTERVENTION IN PARTY ORGANS

Article 100 - The party organs will not intervene in the hierarchically lower, except for:

- a) ensure the rights of minorities;
- b) maintain the integrity of the party;
- c) ensure the political-electoral performance of the party;
- d) preserve the statutory norms, ethics party, the programmatic principles, or the political-party line established by the superior organs;
- e) ensure party discipline;



- f) standardize financial management;
- g) normalizing the control of party affiliation.
- § 1. The request for intervention, made by any affiliate, will be duly reasoned and accompanied by document or testimony of the offenses described in this article.
- § 2. The process of intervention, except in the event of application of the proceeding summary, under Article 99, § 4, will follow the ordinary rite.
- § 3. The intervention will be decided by an absolute majority of the Executive hierarchically higher, and the act should include the designation of intervention commission, composed of five members, and the period of its duration.
- § 4. The period of intervention may be extended by act of the executive that enected it, while the causes that determined it does not stop.
- § 5. The Interventional Committee will go into full exercise of their functions, with the publication of the act of their designation.
- § 6 Interventions in directories will be reported to the Electoral Courtl for notes.

CHAPTER III DISSOLUTION OF THE PARTY ORGANS

- Article 101 The directory or another body that become responsible for violation of the Party Ethics, of the programmatic principles of the Statute, or disrespect to any policy or decision regularly established by the competent bodies, shall incur the penalty of dissolution, applied by the State or National Executive.
- § 1. It will be decreed the dissolution of the directory or other body whose performance election policy does not meet the interests of the Democrats or will become a deterrent to progress and party development.
- § 2. The request for dissolution made by any affiliate will be motivated and accompanied by material proof or testimony, stating the facts and circumstances that gave rise to the complaint.
- § 3. Dissolved the directory or other organ, will be promoted to the cancellation of the notes at Electoral Justice, as appropriate.
- § 4. The dissolution will be decided by an absolute majority of the Executive authority, and should the act include the designation of a Committee, as provided in these Bylaws.
- § 5. It is installed the Interim Commission with the publication of the Resolution in the Oficial Journal.
- § 6. If the dissolution of the directory or other court order is made with less than one year to the end of the mandate, the Interim will conclude that mandate; missing more than a year, the Ordinary Convention will be promoted in these Bylaws.
- § 7. The process of dissolution, except in the event of application of the summary proceeding, under Article 99, § 4, will follow the ordinary rite.
- § 8 The dissolution of the directory will be reported to the Electoral Court, for notes.

CHAPTER IV APPEALS AGAINST DISCIPLINARY DECISIONS

Article 102 - The disciplinary decisions become final on the fourth day after its publication.

§ 1. - From disciplinary decisions, in any case, it could be appealed to higher court, without suspensive effect within three days.



- § 2. The President of the superior court shall appoint a Rapporteur to opine on the receipt or rejection of the appeal and submit its opinion to the decision of the first plenary meeting that has the organ recipient of the action, regardless the guideline.
- § 3. Upon receipt of the appeal it is with the same rite as seeing in Article 99, hereof; rejected, will be filed.
- § 4. If the decision of the trial of the action is in favor of the affiliated or the punished organ, this will be reinstated, within the fixed period of forty-eight hours, if unfavorable the penalty already imposed will be held or applied the appropriate penalty.

TITLE VIII HERITAGE PARTY

CHAPTER I INCOME

Article 103 - The assets of the Party shall consist of:

- a) contribution of the members in general;
- b) contribution of members who are in pursuit of elective office;
- c) financial campaigns undertaken by the national party through exhibitions, conferences and other events;
- d) the party fund resources;
- e) resources as may be expressly provided in public budgets as the pertinent Legislation;
- f) income assets;
- g) donations and legacies from individuals or entities;
- h) movable and immovable goods of his property.
- § 1. The contributions of members and holders of elective office shall be determined by Resolution by the Executive Committee.
- § 2. Taxpayers may authorize the respective payers, the discount brand and collection of his contributions to the bank account of the Democrats.

Article 104 - It may not be shown to play an elective office nor to pursue employment or public function, or any positions in the party, the membership of which is in arrears with their contributions.

Sole paragraph - The effects of the sanctions provided in this Article shall cease to pay the arrears.

CHAPTER II ACCOUNTING

Article 105 - Each year, within the law, the Executive will send to the Electoral balance accounting of the previous year, after approval in the Party.

- § 1. The balance sheet must contain, among other things, the following details, considered also the instructions of the Electoral Justice:
- I breakdown of values and the distributions of funds from the Fund supporter;
- II origin and values of donations, contributions and legacies;
- III the cost of an electoral nature, with specification and verification of expenditures enlistment election, with the advertisement of any nature, publications, meetings, committees, transport and other campaign activities, and



- IV detailed breakdown of revenue and expenditure.
- § 2. The Executive Committee will forward its balance sheet to the Superior Electoral Court, the State Executive to the Regional Electoral Courts and the Municipal Executive to Judgments Election.
- § 3. In the year that elections occur, the balance will be sent to the Electoral Court, as required by current law.
- § 4. When the party organs do not have any income or expense in the year, in the limits of the law they will communicate to the Electoral Court through a required document.

Article 106 - The documentation proving the benefits of accounts will be compulsorily retained by the respective directories and the candidates, in terms of law.

Sole paragraph - The books or the bindings of the accounting records of data processing will be authenticated by the President and Treasurer of the respective directory.

Article 107 - The donations will be counted and recorded at the account of the Fund in the form of law.

- § 1. The funding from the party fund and donations from individuals and legal entities will be handled in a special account established in federal or state banking or those not existing, in any bank.
- § 2. Donations of financial resources should be made to cross-check, deposited directly into the special account of the National, State or Municipal party.
- § 3. The value of bequests and other donations in goods, services and miscellaneous objects, should be converted into local currency for the purpose of accounting.
- § 4. Donations of funds made by individuals or legal entities are limited to maximum amounts set out in relevant legislation.

Article 108 - Funds from the Fund supporter will apply:

- I the doctrinal and political propaganda;
- II the recruitment and election campaigns;
- III the maintenance of offices, equipment, services of any kind, and staff payment, the latter no more than twenty percent of the total received;
- IV the maintenance of research institutes, indoctrination and political, economic and social studies, at least twenty percent of the total received;
- V the acquisition of equipment, and
- VI in special programs approved by the National Executive.
- § 1 The National Executive, through the Implementation Plan, can relay to the State and these to the Municipal, share of the Fund supporter.
- § 2 The body that receives resources from the partidary fund will be accountable for its implementation within and under this Constitution, laws that are adopted by the National Executive and in accordance with the relevant legislation.

TITLE IX ELECTIONS

CHAPTER I SELECTION OF CANDIDATES



Article 109 - Any affiliated to the full enjoyment of their political rights, may subscribe to apply to any elective office.

- § 1. The Executive will receive lists of candidates for statewide elections and proportional to submittion to the Convention's choice of candidates, with the support of at least five Conventionals.
- § 2. The Convention on choice of candidates will be held within a time itself established by law, under this Statute.
- § 3. The Democrats will emphasize the participation of young ladies and women in the electoral process.
- § 4. Selected the majority and proportional candidates, you will be assigned identifying number of your application and promoted your registration at the Electoral Court in the form established by law.
- § 5. The application for registration of candidates will be accompanied by the documentation required by the relevant legislation and with the options of names with you wish to compete.
- § 6 If there is a match option in the name of the candidate to be registered it will be given preference to that signed up first at the Board.

CHAPTER II REPLACEMENT OF CANDIDATES AND CANCELLATION OF REGISTRATION

Article 110 - The Executive Committees, by the majority of its members, will replace the candidate that are considered ineligible, who renounce, who die, who have their registration refused or canceled, or that are punished by disciplinary offense.

Sole paragraph - The substitution of applicants will be done in the form and within the deadline fixed by law.

Article 111 - The Executive Committees may promote at the Electoral Court the cancellation of the registration of candidates to become liable for breach of any of disciplinary provisions in the established guidelines party, herein or by pertinent law.

CHAPTER III ELECTION CAMPAIGNS

- Article 112 In the deadline set by law, after the convention to choose candidates, the corresponding Executive will set in the budget summary, the maximum amounts that the Party and its candidates may spend on the campaign trail.
- Article 113 Installed the electoral process with the implementation of Conventions, the Executive Committees will constitute the Financial and Campaign Committees, responsible for managing the resources and campaign schedule, which will be registered in the Electoral Court.
- § 1. Financial Committees will coordinate revenue and expenditure of the party and candidates if they wish, civil and criminal accounting irregularities that arise from the process.
- § 2. The bookkeeping will be done in the proper book or electronic data processing and funds received will be deposited in a financial institution, preferably official, by order, federal or state, to drive together the President and Treasurer, may being delegated the issue to other members of the Finance Committee, with liability.



- § 3. The campaign committees will coordinate the advertising campaign of the candidates, organize the meetings, travel and radio and television, distributing the party schedules to participate to the candidates, equally.
- § 4. At the discretion of the Executive, or as provided in specific legislation, the Committee may have three to five members each.
- § 5. The candidate who opts for the financial administration of his own campaign, is the only responsible for the accuracy of accounting information and must sign their accountability together with the person who is appointed to manage the resources and the responsible accounting.
- Article 114 Closed the election campaign, there will be accountability as set forth in the Law, which should be signed by members of the Finance Committee, the Chairman of the Executive and the responsible for the accounting.
- § 1. The accountability from the electoral campaigns will be forwarded to the Electoral Court by the respective Executive Committees.
- § 2 The accountability of the candidates responsible for their own electoral campaign will be sent in separate part-time accountability of the Party.
- § 3 The remains of the financial resources of the campaign account shall be taken at the respective organ, in its form of legislation.

CHAPTER IV COALITIONS AND ALLIANCES PARTY

Article 115 - The National Executive Committee, at each election, by resolution published in the Journal of the term in previous Conventions, will establish general guidelines and additional standards for training and celebration of party alliances and Municipal, State and National coalitions, according to the guidance of the Politic Council.

Article 116 - Obeyed the rules that are established in the form of the previous article, the Democrats may coalesce or make political and electoral alliances with one or more parties, respecting the political-party and programmatic line of the party.

- § 1. The proposed coalition or alliance will be considered by the Executive Board of their Directory, by the opinion of a Rapporteur, previously designated with the powers of an interpartidary delegate.
- § 2. Approved the opinion of the interpartidary Delegate it will be celebrated the coalition agreement or alliance to be submitted to the Convention on choice of candidates for approval.
- § 3. Approved by the Convention, the coalition will be recorded in the Electoral Justice, as set for the Law.

TITLE X GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 117 - Members of the Party organs will respond, jointly and alternatively, for the obligations on behalf of the party, when taken in accordance with the Law, in compliance of the objectives of the party and in accordance with the provisions hereof.

Sole Paragraph - In the event of termination or dissolution of the Democrats, if the National Convention does not decide otherwise, its assets in each directory will be sold by a liquidator



under the pertinent civil law, for the payment of debts which may exist, and remains, for the charity of protection of children and adolescents.

Article 118 - The official work hours of the Democrats for the purposes of deadlines herein, is from nine am to eight pm, uninterrupted, considered the local time zone.

Article 119 - For purposes of organization and party administration, the Federal District and Territories are equal to state.

Sole paragraph - The District Deputies and similars, in the same hierarchy, are equal to State Deputies.

Article 120 - This statute may be amended by the National Convention, by a majority vote of its members.

Article 121 - Any affiliate, in the full exercise of their rights, has enough legal capacity to propose or oppose the partisan interests, including the amendment of these Bylaws.

Article 122 - The omissions in these Regulations shall be resolved by the National Executive and by the implementation of electoral and party legislation and relevant subsidiary.

Article 123 - In the interest of the administration party, the National Executive Board may make complementary rules to this Statute, temporarily or permanently.

Article 124 - In the mail delivery of citations, notifications or any partisan document, it will be considered a protocol for any purpose, the postal receipt or return receipt.

TITLE XI TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS

Article 125 - The rules set out in this section was intended to consolidate the process of rebuilding the Party which imposes administrative and transitional measures, with a view to structure the Democrats for the Ordinary Conventions, to be held on the following dates:

I – Democrats Municipal Conventions - October 20, 2007;

II – Democrats State Conventions - November 23, 2007;

III - Democrats National Convention - December 12, 2007.

Article 126 - In the period between March 28, 2007, the date of the II Extraordinary Convention Refoundation, and December 12, 2007, as set in the above schedule, the Democrats will be led by an Interim Committee, elected in Convention, according to the provisions hereof, and established with the configuration that provides Article 57.

§ 1 - The Provisional State Committee shall be appointed by the Provisional National Committee with the positions available to the points 'a' to 'f' in Article 55 hereof, plus up to nineteen members.

§ 2 - The Provisional Municipal Committees will be designated by the respective Provisional State Committees, with the configuration requirements of Article 33, § 2, hereof.



- 127 The Provisional Committees will be the cells of the construction of the structure of the Democrats, with the same powers and jurisdiction of the directory and Commission Board.
- § 1 The Provisional State Committee should devote themselves primarily to the control of rebuilding activities within their own country and especially in the allocation of support and political and programmatic information to the Provisional Municipal Committee and affiliates.
- § 2 The Provisional Municipal Committees, cells of the process of rebuilding, will be dedicated to:
- a) propagating the Program and the line of political action of the Democrats from Federal, State and Municipal government;
- b) join voters to align themselves with the program and the demands of Democrats;
- c) to encourage young people and other affiliates to discuss the political, economic and social issues
- d) encourage and provide the necessary support to the affiliates for the dispute of political office in Municipal elections in 2008;
- e) encourage young women to participate in the political process of elections;
- f) consolidate the register of members, including through the counting of records already held by the Electoral Court, as well as forward it to their state direction;
- g) care of the consignment of the list of members to the Electoral Court between 8 and 14 of the months of April and October, during normal business hours of the electoral registers, as embodied by the TSE in response to the Consultation No. 361.
- § 3 The register of members must be filed with the voter's name, number and date of membership, the number of voting card, the Zone and Section of the vote, the full address, e-mail and phone numbers.
- § 4 The Provisional State Committee may decide to carry out the reregistration of affiliateds to one or more municipalities in its area of administrative subordination. In these cases, the new list of affiliates will replace, wholly, that which is filed with the respective Electoral Registry.

Article 128 - Until further record of the statute of Fundação Liberdade e Cidadania - FLC, the Instituto Tancredo Neves-ITN will continue its research and policy studies in support of the party. § 1° - ITN will adopt the definition of its organizational structure and to achieve its goals, the statute referred to the General Attorney for registration.

§ 2° – ITN will provide its report to the National Executive Committee of Democrats.

Article 129 - This Statute shall enter into rigor on the date of its registration at the Civil Registry and shall be repealed otherwise.



TABLE ATTACHED TO THE DEMOCRATS STATUTE Article 41, § 1

ELECTORATE	MINIMUM NUMBER OF AFFILIATES
Up to2.000	30
from2.001to5.000	50
from5.001to10.000	80
from10.001to50.000	150
from50.001to100.000	300
from100.001to200.000	500
from200.001to1.000.000	1.500
Over1.000.000	2.000

Brasília, December 12th, 2007.

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