NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PARLIAMENTARIANS®

Questions and Answers on Credentialed Member Reclassification and Retired Status (RP-R and PRP-R) after the 2011 National Association of Parliamentarians Bylaws Revision

What do I do if I have not been able to fulfill the point and/or Professional Recertification Course (PRC) requirements for my current six-year-period as PRP?

You will automatically revert to RP status at the end of the year, and your dues notice will reflect that fact. If you wish to obtain PRP status again, you may take the Professional Qualifying Course (PQC). If you wish instead to change to PRP-R status, submit a written request to the NAP Executive Director, certifying that you will not serve as a paid parliamentarian.

How do I change my membership status from RP to RP-R or from PRP to PRP-R?

By submitting a written request to do so, including a certification that you will not serve as a paid parliamentarian, to the attention of the NAP Executive Director at NAP headquarters.

What if, after becoming an RP-R or a PRP-R, I wish to resume RP or PRP status?

A PRP-R who is within the six-year period of the member's qualification as PRP may be reinstated as a PRP. If the six-year period has expired, you may be reinstated as an RP. (Like any other RP, you could thereafter obtain PRP status by successfully completing the Professional Qualifying Course.) In both cases, you must submit a request for reinstatement to the NAP Executive Director, pay past as well as current annual dues for that classification (PRP or RP), and pay the reinstatement fee. That means that for each year you paid dues applicable to your status as PRP-R, you must pay the difference between those dues and the dues applicable to PRP status.

Similarly, an RP-R who is within the six-year period of the member's qualification as an RP may be reinstated as an RP. If the six-year period has expired, you may be reinstated as a regular member. (Like any other member, you could thereafter obtain RP status by passing the RP exam.) In both cases, you must submit a request for reinstatement to the NAP Executive Director, pay past as well as current annual dues for that classification (if RP), and pay the reinstatement fee. That means that for each year you paid dues applicable to your status as RP-R, you must pay the difference between those dues and the dues applicable to RP status.

Under the bylaws revision, a retired credentialed parliamentarian "shall not serve as a paid parliamentarian." What does that mean?

It means that you must not accept any financial compensation for any parliamentary services you provide. If you wish, you may continue to serve as parliamentarian without compensation. Your expenses (such as travel, lodging, meals, handout reproduction, and the like) may be paid for or reimbursed. You may accept gifts as tokens of appreciation as long as they do not exceed \$100 in value.

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APPLICATION FOR RECLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERSHIP

To: Executive Director, National Association of Parliamentarians

I hereby apply for reclassification of membership as provided in Article III, Section 1, B, 3 of the NAP Bylaws:

Retired Credentialed Parliamentarian.

To qualify as a retired credentialed parliamentarian, a registered parliamentarian or professional registered parliamentarian shall use the title of registered parliamentarian-retired (RP-R) or professional registered parliamentarian-retired (PRP-R) and shall not serve as a paid parliamentarian.

Registered Parliamentarian to Registered Parliamentarian – Retired (RP-R)

Professional Registered Parliamentarian to Professional Registered Parliamentarian – Retired (PRP-R)

Professional Registered Parliamentarian to Registered Parliamentarian (RP)

Signature
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