#### **RANGER HALL OF FAME BYLAWS**

#### **ARTICLE I - NAME**

**Section 1.** The official name of the Ranger Hall of Fame shall be the Ranger Hall of Fame or RHOF.

#### **ARTICLE II - MISSION**

**Section 1.** To honor and preserve the influences of the most extraordinary U.S. Army Rangers and civilians in American history who have given a life of selfless service and contributions to the Ranger community. To identify and highlight individuals as role models for current-era Rangers and educate the public on the culture of the U.S. Army Rangers.

## **ARTICLE III - CONCEPT**

#### Section 1. PRECEPTS

The precepts of the Ranger Hall of Fame are impartiality, fairness, and scrutiny, to ensure that the most well-deserved individuals are inducted. Inductees will be impartially selected by the Ranger associations and current RHOF members who have met the eligibility criteria to be RHOF board voting members. The Ranger Hall of Fame will be composed of only active-duty and veteran Ranger associations, as well as current RHOF members recognized by the Ranger Hall of Fame and who have been granted representation on the RHOF voting board.

## Section 2. RHOF VOTING BOARD MEMBERS

The members of the RHOF voting board will be the following individuals. For each Ranger association identified below, the RHOF voting board member shall be the current president of the Ranger association, if qualified, or a representative designated by the president of the Ranger association.

- 1) President, Ranger Hall of Fame (non-voting member)
- 2) Ranger Hall of Fame Coordinator (non-voting member)
- 3) Senior Available Officer, 75<sup>th</sup> Ranger Regiment
- 4) Senior Available Non-Commissioned Officer, 75th Ranger Regiment
- 5) Senior Available Officer, Airborne and Ranger Training Brigade
- 6) Senior Available Non-Commissioned Officer, Airborne and Ranger Training Brigade
- 7) President, The 75<sup>th</sup> Ranger Regiment Association, Inc. (75RRA)
- 8) President, The United States Army Ranger Association, Inc. (USARA)
- 9) President, World-Wide Army Rangers, Inc. (WAR)
- 10) President, United States Mountain Ranger Association (USMRA)
- 11) Ranger Association Presidents' Selected RHOF Member
- 12) Ranger Association Presidents' Selected RHOF Member

# Section 3. NOMINATION QUOTAS

The yearly RHOF nomination quotas are as follows:

- a. Each RHOF voting association may nominate a maximum of two current RHOF members to serve on the RHOF voting board as an Association Presidents' Selected RHOF Member when deemed necessary by the board president. Such individuals will serve a three-year term on the RHOF board as a voting member. There is no limit to how many terms an RHOF member can serve on the board if re-elected by the board at the end of the three-year term. Voting procedures will be the same as conducted during the RHOF board.
- b. Each Ranger association that is a member of the board, the 75<sup>th</sup> Ranger Regiment, and the Airborne and Ranger Training Brigade may submit a maximum of three nominations per year.
- c. Members of the Ranger Hall of Fame may submit one nomination per year. If the number of packets submitted by RHOF members exceeds five, the president will convene an executive board and vote for the top five nominees to be submitted to the RHOF voting board.
- d. Up to fifteen nominations per RHOF year can be selected for induction into the Hall of Fame, including Emergency Induction, but not including Honorary Inductions or Medal of Honor recipients who meet the eligibility criteria. There is no minimum number of nominees that may be inducted each year. Neither Honorary nominations nor Medal of Honor recipient nominations will count towards a nominating party's yearly quota.

# ARTICLE IV – ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

## Section 1. TIME REQUIREMENTS

At the time of nomination, the person must meet one of the following criteria:

- a. Deceased
- b. Separated or retired from active military service for at least three years or retired from civilian service to an active-duty Army Ranger unit or Army Ranger training unit for at least one year. This one-year requirement is waived for Medal of Honor recipients.

## Section 2. NOMINEE REQUIREMENTS

- a. The nominee must have served in a Ranger unit in combat or be a successful graduate of the U.S. Army Ranger School. Ranger units are those units recognized in Ranger lineage or history. This list includes both American and Allied Ranger units.
- b. All Nominees must have served in the United States Military.

- c. Achievement or service may be measured in terms of an individual who leaves the Armed Forces and serves the nation from a position in local, state, or national government or displays outstanding character and leadership in the private or business sector.
- d. Medal of Honor recipients who have earned the Ranger Tab are automatically eligible for RHOF consideration on discharge from service.
- e. No person may be considered for nomination into the RHOF by the RHOF Executive Board or the RHOF Voting Board more than three (3) times. After the third time at either Board, the packet will be ineligible for further consideration. This provision begins with all packets appearing before the 2009 Ranger Hall of Fame Board selection.

# **ARTICLE V – ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR HONORARY INDUCTEES**

Honorary induction into the Ranger Hall of Fame may be provided to any individual who meets the eligibility criteria set forth below. Such induction shall be provided in recognition of extraordinary contributions to Ranger units or the Ranger community in general and may be bestowed upon individuals who have served in an Army Ranger unit, Army Ranger training unit, the U.S. Armed Forces, or upon individuals who have not served in the U.S. Armed Forces. Although honorary inductees are not required to have served in a civilian or military capacity with the government, candidates must have gone above and beyond in their support for Rangers, Ranger Units, the Ranger Community, or Ranger History and Legacy.

## Section 1. TIME REQUIREMENTS

If the nominee served as a member of the U.S. Armed Forces or provided civilian service to an active-duty Army Ranger unit or Army Ranger training unit, then at the time of nomination, the person must meet one of the following criteria:

- a. Deceased;
- b. If the nominee served as a member of the U.S. Armed Forces, separated or retired from active military service for a minimum of three (3) years;
- c. If the nominee provided civilian service to any element or unit of the U.S. Armed Forces, separated or retired from such service for a minimum of three (3) years.
- d. Civilian service is defined as having provided services as an employee or contractor to any element or unit of the U.S. Armed Forces, or as an employee or sub-contractor with any corporation or organization engaged in providing services to the United States government pursuant to one or more contractual relationships.

## Section 2. NOMINATION CRITERIA

Each Ranger association, RHOF member, and active-duty unit shall be entitled to nominate one honorary candidate per year for selection to the Ranger Hall of Fame. Only two honorary nominees may be inducted each year. An honorary nomination will not count against the three nominations each association or active-duty unit is allocated each year.

- a. Honorary induction is in recognition of extraordinary contributions to Ranger units or the Ranger community.
- b. Exemplary performance in duty while providing civilian service to an Army Ranger unit or an Army Ranger training unit is not sufficient to qualify an individual for induction. The nominee should have illustrated the highest levels of dedication and service to the Ranger community in a position that contributed significantly, measurably, and undeniably beyond the service normally rendered in any official capacity to or for Rangers.
- c. The fact that an individual may meet one or more qualifications for regular nomination and induction under Article IV (for example, an individual who earned a Ranger Tab) shall not disqualify an individual from consideration for Honorary Membership. In such a circumstance, the question of whether to bestow honorary, rather than regular, membership to the RHOF falls to the exclusive discretion of the voting board.
- d. No honorary nomination may appear before the board more than three (3) times, beginning with the RHOF voting board in 2010.
- e. The selection of honorary inductees shall occur pursuant to the procedures set forth in Article VII.
- f. Honorary members will receive the same recognition as regularly nominated RHOF members.
- g. Honorary member nominees shall be inducted into the Ranger Hall of Fame with a majority yes/no vote by the board unless there are three or more nominees. At that point, the voting defers to a numerical voting system similar to the current regular nominee voting process

# **ARTICLE VI - NOMINATION AND SELECTION PROCESS TIMELINE**

- a. C-240: Digital packets containing a letter from the current RHOF president, the RHOF bylaws, and the nomination packet with instructions will be sent via email to the president of each (the) voting board members identified in Article III above.
- b. C-180: All digital nomination packets must be received no later than 180 days prior to the RHOF Ceremony. Nominations will be screened for all requirements IAW the RHOF bylaws. Those nominations lacking required information will be returned via email to the nominating individual for correction and must be returned to the RHOF Coordinator no later than C-130.

- c. C-130: The RHOF Coordinator will send a digital copy of all the nomination packets to the RHOF Voting Board members for their review prior to the convening of the Voting Board.
- d. C-100: The RHOF voting board will convene at a location determined by the board president, review nominations, and select inductees IAW the RHOF bylaws. Any RHOF voting board member unable to attend must ensure the RHOF Coordinator received the absentee ballot no later than the date specified for the convening of the RHOF voting board. If a board member(s) from the Airborne and Ranger Training Brigade or the 75th Ranger Regiment is or are unable to attend, a designated representative may be appointed to attend and vote on behalf of the unit.
- e. C-90: The RHOF Coordinator will notify each inductee, and nominating party as required, of the voting board results.
- f. C-60: The RHOF Coordinator will facilitate and coordinate the RHOF induction ceremony and any associated banquet. If required, the nominating party will assist the RHOF Coordinator with obtaining the identity of any person designated to receive the RHOF medallion at the induction ceremony if an inductee is unable to attend or is deceased. RHOF ceremony information packets will be sent to each inductee by the RHOF Coordinator. A courtesy copy will also be sent to each nominating party.
- g. Prior to the RHOF ceremony, the RHOF Coordinator will facilitate an information briefing and rehearsal of the induction ceremony for inductees with any association or active-duty unit that will participate in the ceremony.
- h. The nomination and selection process timeline may be shortened or expanded by the RHOF board president, based on the needs of any specific year, but the time from the distribution of the RHOF nomination packet to the time of that year's Voting Board will never be less than four months.

# **ARTICLE VII - VOTING BOARD PROCEDURES**

Voting procedures for RHOF voting board members, executive board proceedings, and the voting board will be conducted in the same manner.

- a. Each voting member of the board will record a numerical score on a scale of 0 to 5 on his or her ballot for each nominee (0 being the lowest score and 5 the highest). Once voting is complete, the RHOF Coordinator will generate an order of merit list, beginning with the nominee who received the highest total score and ending with the nominee who achieved the lowest total score. Any voting board member that gives a candidate a "0" shall orally provide his or her reason prior to the voting being complete.
- b. Regardless of a nominee's rank on the order of merit list, the minimum total score required for induction is 30 points. The minimum score of 30 points is based on the

mathematical average score derived from the total possible score that could be received from ten committee members. For example: if all ten members scored the candidate a "3," then his score would equal 30 points. Therefore, any combination of votes totaling a score of 30 would be equivalent to the absolute average.

- c. Medal of Honor recipients shall be inducted into the Ranger Hall of Fame with a majority yes or no vote by the board.
- d. At the conclusion of the voting board, the RHOF Coordinator shall prepare a memorandum of record detailing the proceedings and the list of inductees and facilitate the collection of a verified photo and bio for each inductee to be used in the program and displayed in the Ranger Hall of Fame.
- e. The RHOF Coordinator shall maintain the records of the RHOF, including without limitation digital copies of each RHOF inductee's nomination packet, for historical purposes.
- f. All voting ballots shall be maintained by the RHOF Coordinator for not less than one year following the completion of the RHOF induction ceremony.
- g. All questions concerning the results of the RHOF voting board will be referred to the RHOF board president in writing, including without limitation, inquiries by a nominating party.
- h. The proceedings of the voting board are intended to be, and shall remain, confidential. No board member is authorized to disclose board proceedings.

# **ARTICLE VIII - INDUCTION CEREMONY**

The Ranger Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony will be held during the summer months on a date and at a time determined by the RHOF Coordinator and board president, in cooperation with the board members.

# **ARTICLE IX - RHOF OPERATING EXPENSES**

- a. The costs associated with operations of the RHOF shall be the responsibility of the associations identified in Article III above. Such costs are anticipated to include, but may not be limited to, clerical and administrative expenses associated with the operations of the RHOF; costs associated with hosting the induction ceremony, providing inductees with medals, and preparing plaques for mounting in the Ranger Hall of Fame; and any banquet or associated social function hosted in conjunction with the ceremony.
- b. The associations identified in Article III above shall work cooperatively to ensure that the burden of such costs and needs associated with the operations of the RHOF are reasonably and fairly borne by and among the associations. These bylaws contemplate that no Ranger association shall be required to contribute more funds than any other

Ranger association; however, nothing contained herein shall be construed to limit any Ranger association's ability to voluntarily contribute additional funds.

- c. The Ranger associations may collectively contract with other organizations, vendors, or entities to meet the fundraising and operational needs of the RHOF.
- d. Any Ranger association that fails to cooperate or contribute to the operation of the RHOF as contemplated by this section of the Bylaws shall 1) forfeit its right to vote and 2) have its nominees be considered for induction by the voting board during the associated calendar year. A finding that a Ranger association has failed to meet such obligations must be determined by a majority vote of the Voting Board.

## **ARTICLE X - BYLAW CHANGES**

A 2/3 vote by the RHOF voting board is required to approve any substantive changes to the bylaws. Proposed changes to the bylaws shall be made in writing and endorsed by a Ranger association president to the RHOF board president.

## **ARTICLE XI - NOMINATION FORMAT**

## Section 1. NOMINATION PACKET

At the time designated in Article VI, the RHOF Coordinator shall distribute a digital nomination packet together with a letter from the board president and a memorandum of instruction (MOI). Complete packets must be submitted to the RHOF Coordinator in accordance with the published timeline. The RHOF Coordinator's email address will be included in that year's MOI. All packets must be submitted by the nominating Ranger association's president, Ranger Hall of Fame member, or commander of the active-duty unit submitting the packet. Packets submitted by other individuals or means shall be ineligible for consideration.

The digital packet will be pre-formatted and include detailed instructions on providing the following information:

**TAB A:** A letter of nomination endorsing the nominee's consideration for induction into the Ranger Hall of Fame. The letter of nomination must be written by the nominating Ranger association's president, Ranger Hall of Fame member, or the MACOM's General Officer.

**TAB B:** Ranger Assignments to include military duty positions.

**TAB C:** A biography of the nominee to include military service, civilian service (if applicable), and achievements which embody the Ranger spirit and keeping in the tradition of the Ranger Hall of Fame.

**TAB D:** Nominee's contact information or closest relative, if deceased. The nominating Ranger association's president, RHOF member, or MACOM's contact information.

**TAB E:** A proposed citation of the nominee for display in the RHOF. Citations can be edited without the consent of the nominating party for content and grammar errors.

TAB F: One 8x10 high-resolution digital photograph of the nominee suitable for display.

**TAB G:** A copy of the candidate's (if military) DD214, DD215, and/or AHRC Form 1569 (U.S. Army Human Resources Command Transcript of Military Records) (if service member died while on active duty), Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty. The report of separation form issued in most recent years is DD214 and DD215 if applicable, Certificate of Release or Discharge from Active Duty. Before January 1, 1950, several similar forms were used by the military services (the military services used several similar forms), including the WD AGO 53, WD AGO 55, WD AGO 53-55, NAVPERS 553, NAVMC 78PD, and the NAVCG 553. This military document is required so awards can be verified. The DD214/DD215 are the preferred documents. On a case-by-case basis, the board will consider using an ORB/ERB, or orders of specific assignments or awards. See the following web address on one method to obtain the candidate's DD214. *See* http://www.archives.gov/veterans/military-service-records.

Additionally, nominating Ranger associations or RHOF Members shall verify awards of nominees of the Silver Star or higher. Verification can be made by requesting and reviewing copies of award orders/citations of the Silver Star and higher by using the new DOD awards database (*see http://valor.defense.gov/*) or the Military Times database, which is 99% complete (*see http://www.militarytimes.com/citations-medals-awards/*).

# **ARTICLE XII - RHOF VOTING BOARD**

# Section 1. RHOF VOTING BOARD QUALIFICATION

The RHOF Voting Board determines the best-qualified nominees to be inducted into the Ranger Hall of Fame. Every member of the RHOF voting board must have served in combat. Combat, as defined by RHOF, is as follows:

- a. A conflict in which the participant has served in an area designated by the President of the United States or Congress as subject to special war or conflict entitlements or decorations.
- b. An area designated as a war zone by the President of the United States or Congress for members of the United States Armed Services conducting operations in that area.
- c. An area of hostility outside the United States and its territories, where credible documentation shows the Ranger was serving under the direction of the President of the United States and while serving in that area, credible evidence shows the Ranger conducted direct hostile action against or was the subject of direct or immediate and imminent hostile action by a designated enemy combatant according to the Rules of Engagement for the operation.

## Section 2. RHOF VOTING BOARD COMPOSITION

The RHOF Voting Board consists of the following individuals:

- a. **President.** The president of the Board will be a current RHOF member elected by a majority vote by the voting board. The president will serve a term of no more than three (3) years, but there is no limit to the number of terms he may serve. A president may be removed and replaced prior to the completion of his three-year term by a majority vote of the voting board. The president will serve as a non-voting member unless there is a tie anywhere during the nomination process. The president will not fill a dual role as a Ranger association representative. On being replaced as president of the RHOF voting board, the outgoing president shall perform the duties as directed by the then-sitting president in the event the then-sitting cannot perform such duties due to extenuating circumstances. The board president is authorized to request credible documentation of any voting board member to establish such member's qualifications as required by these bylaws.
- b. **Ranger Association Member.** Association voting members are the presidents of their respective associations or a designated representative. An association's RHOF representative must have served in combat in a Ranger unit. The voting member's Ranger association for whom an individual represents must be able to provide credible documentation at the request of the board president that the member is qualified to perform the required duties. If the voting member's Ranger association attempts to deceive the board, that association shall be subject to a loss of RHOF voting rights upon a 2/3 majority vote by the board.
- **c.** Active-Duty Member. There shall be four active-duty voting members, which consist of the senior available officer from the 75<sup>th</sup> Ranger Regiment, the senior available non-commissioned officer from the 75<sup>th</sup> Ranger Regiment, the senior available officer from the Airborne and Ranger Training Brigade, and the senior available non-commissioned officer from the Airborne and Ranger Training Brigade. The designation of any individual as the senior available officer or NCO shall fall to the exclusive discretion of the respective unit.
- d. Ranger Association Presidents' Selected RHOF Member. When required, generally after a three-year term, the board president will announce that a voting board member selection process will convene to add or retain as many as ten (10) voting members on the board. The board president will determine how many new voting board members will be added when needed. Thereafter, each voting Ranger association may nominate not more than two current RHOF members per requirement for consideration by the board to become a voting board member. The RHOF voting board member will serve a term of three (3) years, but there is no limit to the number of terms that may be served. An individual who becomes a voting board member pursuant to this section may be removed and replaced prior to the completion of his three-year term by a majority vote of the voting board. In the event that there is more than one nominee, the RHOF voting board member shall be selected using the same process set forth in Article VII above. In the

event that only one nominee is submitted, the nomination may be approved by a majority vote of the voting board. Ranger Association Presidents' Selected RHOF voting board members shall hold the same rights and responsibilities as all other voting board members. The selected RHOF voting member must be able to provide credible documentation at the request of the board president that he is qualified to perform the required duties.

#### Section 3. RHOF BOARD DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- a. <u>President</u>: The president shall preside over the RHOF voting board. The president shall only vote in the event of a tie.
- b. <u>Voting Members</u>: Voting members shall be responsible for reviewing all nomination packets prior to the board and shall be prepared to make recommendations in accordance with the board procedures.
- c. <u>RHOF Coordinator</u>: In addition to any other tasks required by these bylaws, the RHOF Coordinator shall do the following:
  - i. Send announcements and information references as required, including without limitation, annually distribute the nomination packets, president's letter, and MOI.
  - ii. Serve as the focal point for all questions or problems concerning the nomination and selection process.
  - iii. Send an acknowledgment of receipt of nomination packets.
  - iv. Prepare, with the assistance and direction of the president, all materials, whether digital or tangible, necessary for the voting board to conduct its business as provided in these bylaws.
  - v. Prepare a record of proceedings for historical files that includes an order of merit list and who will be inducted into RHOF that year.
  - vi. Prepare, manage, and maintain a historical record of the RHOF's proceedings and conduct. Such record shall be digital in nature, and among other things must include 1) all nomination packets submitted to the voting board; 2) the board's voting records for at least one year following the associated Induction Ceremony; and 3) a record of the number of times each nominee has appeared before the RHOF voting board. This list will begin at the 2009 RHOF board for all regularly nominated individuals and 2010 for all individuals nominated for honorary induction.
  - vii. Notify all individuals selected for induction and answer follow-up questions.

# Section 4. RHOF EXECUTIVE BOARD FOR RHOF MEMBER SUBMITTED NOMINATIONS

An executive board will be formed to determine the five most highly qualified nominees of packets submitted by current RHOF members if the number of such nominations for that year exceeds five. The board president will determine the composition of the executive board if required.

- a. Executive board must consist of individuals that are RHOF members. The executive board must be composed of individuals who have not submitted an RHOF member nomination.
- b. The executive board may submit their votes by convening in person, via email, or postal mail on a voting ballot provided by the RHOF Coordinator.
- c. Each executive board member will rank-order the RHOF member submitted packets in order of qualification, with 1 being the highest. The scores from the board members will be added, and the top five nominees will be selected for consideration by the RHOF voting board.
- d. The results of the RHOF executive board shall be submitted to the board president for review prior to the convening of the RHOF voting board.

# Section 5. PETITIONING REQUIREMENTS TO BECOME A RANGER ASSOCIATION VOTING MEMBER

Ranger associations that desire to become voting members of the RHOF may petition for membership in writing. Such petition must be submitted to the RHOF president and requires a 2/3 vote for approval by the RHOF voting board. The petition may only be approved if the petitioning association:

- a. Has a president that is elected by the association's members;
- b. Has a formalized RHOF packet nomination or committee; and,
- c. Has provided its current bylaws and all other requested documentation to the RHOF voting board for review.

## Section 6. CENSURE FOR ASSOCIATION MISCONDUCT

Any Ranger association in violation of the provisions of these bylaws by an act of omission or commission is subject to loss of voting representation.

a. Censured Ranger associations may appeal in writing. Such appeal must be signed by the appealing Ranger association's president and shall be issued to the board president within thirty days of the censure. Untimely appeals will not be considered.

- b. Ranger associations have the right to plead their defense before the RHOF voting board and have the right to examine all evidence of misconduct as collected by the board.
- c. Punitive measures against Ranger associations may only be implemented by a 2/3 vote of the remainder of the voting board. The length of time for loss of voting privileges shall be at the board's discretion. This is the only punitive measure that can be taken against a Ranger association by the RHOF voting board.
- d. Infractions subject to these provisions are limited to misconduct by member Ranger association presidents, RHOF nomination boards, or representatives of the same. Misconduct is defined to include, but not limited to, the following:
  - i. RHOF voting representatives failing to meet voting representative requirements as set forth in Article XII, Section 2 above.
  - ii. For Ranger associations added to the RHOF voting board after 2009, the composition or structure of the Ranger association fails to meet the criteria for entrance as a voting member of the RHOF pursuant to Article XII, Section 5 above.
  - iii. The disclosure of voting results prior to the date authorized by the board.
  - iv. The disclosure of the board's proceedings in violation of Article VII above.
  - v. Knowingly submitting false or misleading information in a nomination packet.

# ARTICLE XIII - APPEALS AND OBJECTIONS

Section 1. Any appeal or objection to the RHOF board results will be directed to the board president, in writing NLT C+15. The appeal or objection letter must include official documentation supporting the claim.

**Section 2.** The appeal or objection memorandum letter must be endorsed by an RHOF voting Ranger association president or his designated representative.

**Section 3.** Once the board president has been notified of an appeal, the RHOF Coordinator shall notify the Ranger association or individual RHOF member that submitted the nominee's packet that it is under consideration for appeal or objection. From the time of notification, the nominating Ranger association or individual RHOF member who submitted the packet will have 15 days to submit all official documentation refuting the appeal or objection to the RHOF Coordinator.

**Section 4.** A 2/3 vote by the RHOF voting board will determine the outcome of the appeal or objection. Each voting member will be presented with all evidence from both parties. No late submissions of evidence will be accepted unless there exists outstanding circumstances preventing the information from being submitted within the 15 day deadline. In such a

circumstance, the RHOF president shall have the sole discretion to extend the deadline on a case-by-case basis.

Section 5. The 2/3 vote shall be final for all appeals and objections. The removal of a nominee due to an appeal shall not preclude that individual from being nominated again during a later year.

**Section 6.** Appeals or objections by Ranger associations that have previously been subject to censure are still valid so long as the appeal and censure do not occur during the same year.

# **ARTICLE XIV – EMERGENCY INDUCTION PROCEDURES**

## Section 1. Eligibility

A nominee or potential nominee for induction into the RHOF may be considered for induction out of time if the board president determines that the health status renders a nominee to be critically ill and in danger of imminent death. This nomination and/or selection shall be counted against the nominating party's annually permitted nominations set forth in Article III above.

## Section 2. Procedures

If eligibility is established, the board president, with the assistance of the RHOF Coordinator, shall undertake the following:

- a. Identify a current voting board member and solicit the submission of a complete nomination packet.
- b. Convene an emergency RHOF voting board, which board may be convened electronically at the discretion of the president. All voting members shall be contacted; a minimum of five voting members shall constitute a quorum.
- c. Approval of the emergency nomination is subject to approval by a unanimous vote from the convened voting board.

# **ARTICLE XV - HALL OF FAME**

**Section 1.** The Ranger Hall of Fame will be located at the Airborne and Ranger Training Brigade, Headquarters, Fort Benning, Georgia until or unless a more suitable Ranger Hall of Fame facility is identified and made available. Relocation of the Ranger Hall of Fame shall require approval by a majority vote of the Voting Board.

**Section 2.** The voting board and induction ceremony may be facilitated by designees or vendors of the various voting board members.

Section 3. Following the RHOF induction ceremony, the inaugural and current year's inductee's photo and citation will be placed in the Ranger Hall of Fame. All voting members shall be

entitled to publicly share the names of the members of the RHOF through electronic or tangible means, including on their respective websites and kiosks.

**Section 4.** To honor the RHOF inductees, a medallion and lapel pin shall be presented to each inductee or such inductee's closest living relative during the induction ceremony.

Section 5. Each inductee's name shall be engraved on the wall at the Ranger Memorial.

## **ARTICLE XVI - REMOVAL OF RANGER HALL OF FAME MEMBERS**

**Section 1.** The Ranger Hall of Fame board can remove a member of the Ranger Hall of Fame because of conduct that dishonors the RHOF, violates these bylaws, or fails to comply with the Ranger Creed.

Section 2. The board will convene a meeting to vote on the removal of a Ranger Hall of Fame Member. A 2/3 vote by the RHOF voting board is required to remove a member from the Ranger Hall of Fame.

## **ARTICLE XVII - INDUCTEE INFORMATION AND CITATION CHANGES**

**Section 1.** Nominating parties shall be responsible for the contents of any nomination packets submitted to the voting board. Any Inductee or family member will be referred to such nominating party to start an official request for change to their Packet information. Other than grammatical errors, any substantive changes or amendments to the name, rank or information in the citation of a packet that has already been voted on must adhere to the following protocol:

- a. All information will be gathered and consolidated by the nominating party who originally submitted the packet. The nominating party shall submit a request for the change and all related documentation to the RHOF Coordinator.
- b. The RHOF Coordinator will distribute the request for change and all related documentation to the voting board for consideration.
- c. The voting board shall be provided with 15 days to review the documentation and confer with each other.
- d. The president shall convene the voting board following the fifteenth day, which board may be convened electronically at the discretion of the president. All votes must be provided to the RHOF Coordinator within fifteen days of the convention of the voting board.
- e. A 2/3 vote is needed to implement the requested changes.