

**BY-LAWS OF THE
TIDEWATER INTERGROUP COUNCIL**

ARTICLE I.

Membership of the Corporation

Section 1. Qualifications

The membership of the Corporation shall consist of Intergroup Service Representatives who shall be elected by the individual groups of Alcoholics Anonymous existing in the cities of Chesapeake, Franklin, Isle of Wight, Norfolk, Portsmouth, Suffolk, Virginia Beach, and the town of Smithfield, Virginia. The qualifications for an Intergroup Service Representative are totally within the purview of the individual group of Alcoholics Anonymous within the above geographic area and shall not be subject to review by the Intergroup Council. The structure of the Intergroup Council is described in Article VI, Directors.

Section 2. Election of Members

All groups of Alcoholics Anonymous within the above geographic area should elect their respective Intergroup Service Representative at the business meeting of the respective group during the month of October. In accordance with Article VI, Directors, Section 2, Election of Directors and Term, the term of each Intergroup Service Representative is two (2) years commencing with the annual November meeting subsequent to election and ending at the applicable annual meeting. Each group shall complete a Group Record form (provided by TIC) and forward to the Secretary. Each group shall update the Group Record as required to be current.

Section 3. Resignation

Any member (Intergroup Service Representative) may resign at any time. In such a case, the affected group must complete a new Group Record to be an active TIC member.

Section 4. Suspension

Intergroup Council shall have no power to suspend any Intergroup Service Representative with or without cause, but the Secretary shall provide written notice to the group from which an Intergroup Service Representative was elected of violation of any of the By-Laws or rules of the corporation or for conduct prejudicial to the best interest of the corporation. Such notice shall be provided only after an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the membership of the Intergroup Council, provided that a statement of the charges shall have been mailed by certified mail to the Intergroup Service Representative being charged at his last recorded address at least fifteen (15) days before final action is taken thereon. This statement shall be accompanied by notice of the date, time and place where

the Intergroup Council is to take action on the notice to such Intergroup Service Representative's group. The member shall be given the opportunity to present a defense at the time and place mentioned in such notice.