

**TEXAS SOCIETY
OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION, INC.
THE EAST FORK-TRINITY CHAPTER NO. 47**

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I – NAME

The name of this Chapter shall be "EAST FORK-TRINITY CHAPTER No. 47" of the "TEXAS SOCIETY SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION, INC." hereafter referred to as the "Chapter" and as "TXSSAR, INC."

ARTICLE II – OBJECTIVE

The objectives of this Chapter are declared to be patriotic, historical, and educational. and shall include those that are intended or designed to perpetuate the memory of those patriots, who by their services or sacrifices during the War of the American Revolution, achieved the independence of the American People; to unite and promote fellowship among their descendants; to inspire them and the Community-at-large with a more profound reverence for the principles of the government founded by our forefathers; to encourage historical research in relation to the American Revolution; to acquire and preserve the records of the individual services of the patriots of the war, as well as the documents, relics, and landmarks; to mark the scenes of the Revolution by appropriate memorials; to celebrate the anniversaries of the prominent events of the war and of the Revolutionary period; to foster true patriotism to maintain and extend the institutions of American freedom; and to carry out the purposes expressed in the Preamble of the Constitution of our Country and the injunctions of General George Washington in his farewell address to the American people. (See NSSAR Constitution, Part I Article II- Objects)

ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP

Any male shall be eligible for membership in this Chapter who being a citizen of good repute in the community, is the lineal descendant of an

ancestor who was at all times unfailing in loyalty to, and rendered assistance in the cause of American Independence, as defined by the NSSAR Constitution Part I, Article III. [Ref: Constitution of the Texas SAR – Article III – Section 1 thru 7 (date March 24, 2012); Constitution of the NSSAR – Article III – SubSect 1 thru 3 (July 22, 2014)]. Such member shall be designated officially as "Compatriot". Furthermore he shall fulfill the requirements outlined in section I of the Bylaws of this Chapter.

ARTICLE IV – ORGANIZATION

The Texas Society Sons of the American Revolution, Inc. is a Corporation, incorporated in the State of Texas as a non-profit organization. This Chapter, like other State Chapters, is a constituent part of the Incorporated State Society. As such this Chapter is a subordinate local body organized by the TXSSAR, INC. for the purpose of carrying out the objects of the Texas Society.

The National Society is a corporation created by special act of the Congress of the United States in 1906 and amended in 1925 and 1961.

The period of duration of this Chapter is perpetual; however, upon surrender, forfeiture or revocation of the Chapter's Charter, the Board of Managers of TXSSAR, INC. pursuant with the State Society Constitution Section 6. Article VIII, shall act as trustee and take over the real and /or personal property owned and held by this Chapter at the time of its dissolution.

Notwithstanding any other provision of the Bylaws, this Chapter shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by (A) a corporation exempt from Federal Income Tax under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue code of 1954 or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law of (B) a corporation whose contributions are deductible under Section 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or any other corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law.

Notwithstanding any other provisions of the Bylaws, the purposes for which this Chapter is organized are exclusively charitable and educational within the meaning of Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

It is understood that the TXSSAR, INC. has unilaterally decided to be self-insured insofar as liability insurance is concerned. It follows that this Chapter also has no liability insurance to cover any liability or responsibility for such matters, for members and officers acting in pursuit of business of the Society or this Chapter.

ARTICLE V – OFFICERS

The officers of this Chapter shall consist of President, Vice-president, Secretary, Treasurer, Registrar, Historian and Chaplain. The above named officers, together with the immediate past President, shall comprise the Executive Committee of the Chapter. Duties of the Chapter Officers are as out lined in the Bylaws of this Chapter.

All nominations of officers shall be made from the floor. Nominations made by a committee appointed for such purposes shall be considered nominations from the floor.

Officers shall be elected by majority vote of the members present at the Annual meeting of the Chapter, and shall hold office for a period of one year following their installation or until their successors are qualified and elected.

ARTICLE VI - PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

The rules contained in Robert's Rules of Order Revised shall govern the Chapter in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are not inconsistent with NSSAR, TXSSAR, INC, or Chapter Constitutions, Bylaws or special rules of order.

ARTICLE VII – AMENDMENTS

The articles of this Constitution may be superseded by a new Constitution, changed or amended at any regular meeting of the Chapter by a two-third vote of the membership present, said amendment having been proposed at the preceding regular business meeting. All members will be notified seven (7) days prior to the regular meeting at which an amendment is to be ratified.


ARTICLE VIII – THE ANNUAL CHAPTER YEAR

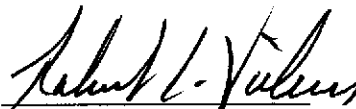
The annual chapter year is defined as January 1 through December 31 of each year.

ARTICLE IX - EFFECTIVE DATE

This constitution shall be in full force immediately upon its adoption and the meeting at which it is adopted shall be governed thereby.

Approved by the membership this day, October 13, 2016 during a meeting of the East Fork-Trinity Chapter No. 47, TXSSAR, INC.

By: 
Gary L. Snowden
President

By: 
Robert C. Vickers
Secretary