

**OFFICAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE 100th ANNUAL SESSION OF THE  
CONFERENCE OF GRAND MASTERS, PRINCE HALL MASONS, INC.**

**MELIA NASSAU BEACH RESORT  
NASSAU, BAHAMAS**

**FIRST GENEREAL CONFERENCE**

**THURSDAY, MAY 16, 2019**

MWPGM Dorian R. Glover (NY) called to order the 100<sup>th</sup> General conference of the Conference of Grand Masters at 8:30 AM.

Opening Prayer was given by MWGM Richard Vega. (Nevada).

MWPGM Dorian R. Glover (NY) called for the roll call of Officers and the Roll Call of Jurisdictions.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

The following members were accounted for as listed below:

MWPGM	Dorian R. Glover	President, Conference of Grand Masters
MWPGM	David Phillip	Vice-President Conference of Grand Masters
MWPGM	Ronald Robinson	Treasurer, Conference of Grand Masters
MWPGM	Fred Way, Jr.	Executive Secretary, Conference of Grand Masters
RW	Reginald Mitchell	Financial Secretary, Conference of Grand Masters
RW	Robert Calloway	Conference Coordinator
RW	Gerald R. Thaxton, III	Admin Assistant
RW	Kelvin L. Harmon	Admin Assistant
MWGM	Donald R. Ware	Medical Director (Absent)
MWGM	Wilbert M. Curtis	Conference Past President (Absent)
MWPGM	Deary Vaughn	Conference Past President (Absent)
MWPGM	John M. Bettis	Conference Past President

**At Large Members**

MWPGM	Leonard Heard	North-East Region #1 (Absent)
MWPGM	Melvin Thorpe	Mid-Atlantic Region #2
MWPGM	Warren R. Whitley	Mid-Atlantic Region #2, Emeritus (Absent)
MWPGM	Willie L. Williams	South-East Region #3
MWPGM	q	Mid-West Region #4
MWPGM	Julian L. Harris, Sr.	South Region #5
MWPGM	Lewis R. Brent	Four Corners Region #7

**Regional Chairs**

MWGM	Prince Reid	North East Region #1 (Absent)
MWPGM	Milton Fitch	Mid-Atlantic Region #2
MWGM	Walter Gulley	South East Region #3
MWGM		Mid West Region #4
MWPGM	Henry Willis	South West Region #5

MWGM	Curtis Harris	Pacific Rim Region #6
MWGM	Edward Michell	Four Corners Region #7

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Bahamas was led by MW Leslie Dean (Bahamas). The MWPGM Phillip David (DC), Vice President of the Conference led us in The Pledge of Allegiance to the United States. We were then led in the Pledge of Allegiance to Liberia.

**Roll call of Jurisdictions.**

Alaska	MWGM	Homes, Gregory R.
Arizona	MWGM	Seay, Timothy R.
Bahamas	MWGM	Dean, Leslie M.
California	MWGM	King, Samuel T
Colorado	MWGM	Weston, Keith L.
Delaware	MWGM	Morris, Isacce
District of Columbia	MWGM	Gant, Quincy G.
Florida	MWGM	Gulley, Jr., Walter
Hawaii		Browal, James
Illinois	MWGM	Barlow, Aubrey K.
Indiana	MWGM	Anderson, Jr., Eugene
Kansas	MWGM	Brown, Wilbur J.
Kentucky	MWGM	Bryant, Jonathan A.
Liberia	MWGM	Henrres, George E.
Louisiana	MWGM	Slaughter, Ralph
Maryland	MWGM	Stanley, Emanuel J.
Massachusetts	MWGM	Coaston, Jeffery M.
Michigan	MWGM	Bell, Kevin L.
Minnesota	MWGM	Gonzalez, Joe R.
Mississippi	MWGM	Lucas, Sr., Maurice F.
Missouri	MWGM	Morris, Malcom
Nebraska	MWGM	Atkinson, Henry D.
Nevada	MWGM	Vega, Richard
New Jersey	MWGM	Dawud, Tisan Rasool
New Mexico	MWGM	Mitchell, Sr., Edward C.
New York	MWGM	King, Jr., Walter C.
North Carolina	MWGM	Thompson, Daniel L.
Ohio	MWGM	Davis, Kelvin J.
Ontario, Canada	MWGM	Lewis, Headley
Pennsylvania	MWGM	Alston, Sr., Melvin A.
South Carolina	MWGM	Scott, Spencer E.
Tennessee	MWGM	Glass, Arvin W.
Virginia	MWGM	Townes, Richard
Washington	MWGM	Dickson, Lester L.
West Virginia	MWGM	Calcote, Sr., Jeffery M.
Wisconsin	MWGM	McGaughly, Sr., Anthony J.

Each Jurisdictional Representative introduced themselves.

**OTHER PARTICIPANTS**

California	RWCCFC	James, Donald
California	PM	Murdock, Samuel
California	RWPGSW	Parker, Carl D,
Colorado	RWSGW	Stefon, Homor
Colorado	MWPGM	Flowers, Charlie L.
Colorado	MWPGM	Cummings, Lionell
Colorado	RWDGM	Edward, J. A.
District of Columbia	MWPGM	J. Raymond Murray
District of Columbia	RWGSW	Ruffin, Glenn
Iowa	RWGSW	Morgan, Butch
Kentucky	RWSGW	Wanle, Johnny
Liberia	RWGS	Freeman, Will
Maryland	MWPGM	Pryor, Andrew
Maryland	RWGSW	Davidson, William
Maryland	RW	Paizway, Kevin
Maryland	RWDGM	Osborne, Noel
Maryland	MEGMG	Williams, Sr, George
Massachusetts	RWDGM	Downes, Timothy
Michigan	RWDGM	Anderson, Roderick
Mississippi	RWDGM	Crisler, Tonie
Mississippi	RWGS	Hall, Louis
Mississippi	RWGSW	Johnson, Johnny
Mississippi	RWGT	Johnson, Curtis
Mississippi	RW	Hamp, Deshield
Mississippi	RW	Morgan, Cedric
New Mexico	RWDGM	Gelestine, Randy
Nevada	RWGJW	Reynolds, Jessie
Nevada	RWDGM	Askins, Kenneth
Nebraska	RWDGM	Clopton, Freddie
Nevada	MWPGM	Cranford, Crawford L.
Nevada	MWPGM	Jones, Jeffrey
North Carolina	RWDGM	Russell, James
New Jersey	RWGSW	Wiggins, Michael
New Jersey	RWDGM	Sfaun, Jeffrey
New York	RWGJW	Apollen, Jean
New York	RWDGM	Smith, Jr. Gregory
South Carolina	MEPGM	Nelson, Lewis
South Carolina	IP	Davenport, Charles
Ohio	RWDGM	Chester, Christie
Tennessee	RWDGM	Banks, Lamont L.
Texas	RWDGM	Anderson, Michael T.

It was moved by MWGM Spencer Scott (SC) and seconded by MWGM Joe R. Gonzalez (MN) that the proposed Agenda be adopted. The motion carried.

#### **WELCOME and RESPONSE**

Greetings and Welcome from Past President MWPGM John M. Bettis (NJ). MWGM Emanuel J. Stanley (MD) gave the response to the Welcome.

#### **RECOGNITION OF VISITORS**

MWPGM Dorian R. Glover (NY) introduced the following guest:

Most Excellent Grand Master General Bobby R. Thompson Jr., Knights of York Cross Honor PHA, Convent General, USA brought greeting.

Hon. Charles W. Davenport, Imperial Potentate, AEAONMS, North & South America and its' Jurisdiction, Inc. The Hon. Charles W. Davenport brought greetings.

MWPGM Dorian R. Glover spoke on the turbulence between Florida and Louisiana. He also stated that he did not invite anyone outside of the Grand Masters to this year's Conference. He stated that the Grand Masters have work to do.

#### **COMMITTEE APOINTMENTS**

The Committee Appointments were read by MWPGM Dorian R. Glover (NY) and updated by the Executive Secretary Fred Way Jr. (DE).

MWGM Quincy Gant (DC) thanked the President for his remarks on the Elephant in the room.

MWPGM Philip David (DC) brought greetings. He discussed the online portal.

#### **SPECIAL REPORT**

MWGM Walter Gulley, Jr. (FL) gave review as to stated what happened at the Special Communication for the conference of Grand Masters in November 2018.

MWGM Ralph Slaughter (LA) stated he would withdraw the Lodge and Chapter in Panama City, Fl. He has done that. MWGM Walter Gulley (FL) stated that although MWGM Ralph Slaughter (LA) withdrew the Lodge and Chapter they continue to do masonic work in Panama City. MWGM Walter Gulley (FL) stated that the removal of recognition from (LA) was based on what happened in the Virgin Islands in 2015.

This prompt an intense dialogue between several Grand Masters. MWGM Slaughter (LA) stated that he will leave the meeting rather than be treated as he perceived to be.