

**(d) Claim of approval or authorization**

The corporation shall not claim congressional approval or Federal Government authority for any of its activities.

**(e) Retention of status under State laws**

The corporation shall retain and maintain its status as a corporation organized and incorporated under the laws of the State or States wherein it is incorporated.

(Pub. L. 98-314, § 8, June 12, 1984, 98 Stat. 238.)

**§ 2409. Liability for acts of officers and agents**

The corporation shall be liable for the acts of its officers and agents when acting within the scope of their authority.

(Pub. L. 98-314, § 9, June 12, 1984, 98 Stat. 238.)

**§ 2410. Books and records; inspection**

The corporation shall keep correct and complete books and records of account and shall keep minutes of any proceeding of the corporation involving any of its members, the board of directors, or any committee having authority under the board of directors. The corporation shall keep at its principal office a record of the names and addresses of all members having the right to vote. All books and records of such corporation may be inspected by any member having the right to vote, or by any agent or attorney of such member, for any proper purpose, at any reasonable time. Nothing in this section shall be construed to contravene any applicable State law.

(Pub. L. 98-314, § 10, June 12, 1984, 98 Stat. 238.)

**§ 2411. Annual report**

The corporation shall report annually to the Congress concerning the activities of the corporation during the preceding fiscal year. Such annual report shall be submitted at the same time as is the report of the audit required by section 1101(63) of this title. The report shall not be printed as a public document.

(Pub. L. 98-314, § 12, June 12, 1984, 98 Stat. 239.)

## REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 1101(63) of this title, referred to in text, was in the original "section 11 of this Act", meaning section 11 of Pub. L. 98-314, which amended section 1101 of this title to include the American Gold Star Mothers, Incorporated, within the definition of "private corporations established under Federal law". Section 1103 of this title requires a report to Congress on the annual audit of private corporations established under Federal law.

**§ 2412. Reservation of right to amend or repeal chapter**

The right to alter, amend, or repeal this chapter is expressly reserved to the Congress.

(Pub. L. 98-314, § 13, June 12, 1984, 98 Stat. 239.)

**§ 2413. "State" defined**

For purposes of this chapter, the term "State" includes the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and the territories and possessions of the United States.

(Pub. L. 98-314, § 14, June 12, 1984, 98 Stat. 239.)

**§ 2414. Tax-exempt status**

The corporation shall maintain its status as an organization exempt from taxation as provided in title 26. If the corporation fails to maintain such status, the charter granted hereby shall expire.

(Pub. L. 98-314, § 15, June 12, 1984, 98 Stat. 239.)

**§ 2415. Failure to comply with restrictions or provisions**

If the corporation shall fail to comply with any of the restrictions or provisions of this chapter<sup>1</sup> the charter granted hereby shall expire.

(Pub. L. 98-314, § 16, June 12, 1984, 98 Stat. 240.)

**CHAPTER 57—POLISH LEGION OF AMERICAN VETERANS, U.S.A.**

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**§ 2501. Recognition as corporation and grant of Federal charter**

The Polish Legion of American Veterans, U.S.A., a nonprofit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Illinois, is hereby recognized as such and is granted a charter.

(Pub. L. 98-372, § 1, July 23, 1984, 98 Stat. 1239.)

**§ 2502. Powers of corporation**

The Polish Legion of American Veterans, U.S.A. (hereinafter referred to as the "corporation"), shall have only those powers granted to it through its bylaws and articles of incorporation filed in the State or States in which it is incorporated and subject to the laws of such State or States.

(Pub. L. 98-372, § 2, July 23, 1984, 98 Stat. 1239.)

**§ 2503. Objects and purposes of corporation**

The objects and purposes of the corporation are those provided in its articles of incorporation. The corporation shall function as a veter-

<sup>1</sup> So in original. Probably should be followed by a comma.

ans' and patriotic organization as authorized by the laws of the State or States where it is incorporated.

(Pub. L. 98-372, §3, July 23, 1984, 98 Stat. 1239.)

#### § 2504. Service of process

With respect to service of process, the corporation shall comply with the laws of the States in which it is incorporated and those States in which it carries on its activities in furtherance of its corporate purposes.

(Pub. L. 98-372, §4, July 23, 1984, 98 Stat. 1239.)

#### § 2505. Membership; prohibition on discrimination

Eligibility for membership in the corporation and the rights and privileges of members shall, except as provided in this chapter, be as provided in the constitution and bylaws of the corporation, and terms of membership and requirements for holding office within the corporation shall not be discriminatory on the basis of race, color, religion, or national origin.

(Pub. L. 98-372, §5, July 23, 1984, 98 Stat. 1239.)

#### § 2506. Board of directors

The board of directors of the corporation and the responsibilities thereof shall be as provided in the articles of incorporation of the corporation and in conformity with the laws of the State or States in which it is incorporated.

(Pub. L. 98-372, §6, July 23, 1984, 98 Stat. 1239.)

#### § 2507. Officers

The officers of the corporation, and the election of such officers shall be as is provided in the articles of incorporation of the corporation and in conformity with the laws of the State or States wherein it is incorporated.

(Pub. L. 98-372, §7, July 23, 1984, 98 Stat. 1240.)

#### § 2508. Restrictions

##### (a) Distribution of income or assets to members

No part of the income or assets of the corporation shall inure to any member, officer, or director of the corporation or be distributed to any such person during the life of this charter. Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to prevent the payment of reasonable compensation to the officers of the corporation or reimbursement for actual necessary expenses in amounts approved by the board of directors.

##### (b) Loans

The corporation shall not make any loan to any officer, director, or employee of the corporation.

##### (c) Political activities

The corporation and any officer and director of the corporation, acting as such officer or director, shall not contribute to, support or otherwise participate in any political activity or in any manner attempt to influence legislation.

##### (d) Issuance of stock; dividends

The corporation shall have no power to issue any shares of stock nor to declare or pay any dividends.

##### (e) Claim of approval or authorization

The corporation shall not claim congressional approval or Federal Government authority for any of its activities.

(Pub. L. 98-372, §8, July 23, 1984, 98 Stat. 1240.)

#### § 2509. Liability for acts of officers and agents

The corporation shall be liable for the acts of its officers and agents when acting within the scope of their authority.

(Pub. L. 98-372, §9, July 23, 1984, 98 Stat. 1240.)

#### § 2510. Books and records; inspection

The corporation shall keep correct and complete books and records of account and shall keep minutes of any proceeding of the corporation involving any of its members, the board of directors, or any committee having authority under the board of directors. The corporation shall keep at its principal office a record of the names and addresses of all members having the right to vote. All books and records of such corporation may be inspected by any member having the right to vote, or by any agent or attorney of such member, for any proper purpose, at any reasonable time. Nothing in this section shall be construed to contravene any applicable State law.

(Pub. L. 98-372, §10, July 23, 1984, 98 Stat. 1240.)

#### § 2511. Annual report

The corporation shall report annually to the Congress concerning the activities of the corporation during the preceding fiscal year. Such annual report shall be submitted at the same time as is the report of the audit required by section 1101(58) of this title. The report shall not be printed as a public document.

(Pub. L. 98-372, §12, July 23, 1984, 98 Stat. 1240.)

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

Section 1101(58) of this title, referred to in text, was in the original "section 11 of this Act", meaning section 11 of Pub. L. 98-372, which amended section 1101 of this title to include the Polish Legion of American Veterans, U.S.A. within the definition of "private corporations established under Federal law". Section 1103 of this title requires a report to Congress on the annual audit of private corporations established under Federal law.

#### § 2512. Reservation of right to amend or repeal chapter

The right to alter, amend, or repeal this chapter is expressly reserved to the Congress.

(Pub. L. 98-372, §13, July 23, 1984, 98 Stat. 1241.)

#### § 2513. "State" defined

For purposes of this chapter, the term "State" includes the District of Columbia, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and the territories and possessions of the United States.

(Pub. L. 98-372, §14, July 23, 1984, 98 Stat. 1241.)

#### § 2514. Tax-exempt status

The corporation shall maintain its status as an organization exempt from taxation as pro-

vided in title 26. If the corporation fails to maintain such status, the charter granted hereby shall expire.

(Pub. L. 98-372, §15, July 23, 1984, 98 Stat. 1241.)

**§ 2515. Failure to comply with restrictions or provisions**

If the corporation shall fail to comply with any of the restrictions or provisions of this chapter, the charter granted hereby shall expire.

(Pub. L. 98-372, §16, July 23, 1984, 98 Stat. 1241.)

**CHAPTER 58—CATHOLIC WAR VETERANS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, INC.**

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**§ 2601. Recognition as corporation and grant of Federal charter**

The Catholic War Veterans of the United States of America, Incorporated, organized and incorporated under the laws of the State of New York, is hereby recognized as such and is granted a charter.

(Pub. L. 98-382, §1, Aug. 17, 1984, 98 Stat. 1343.)

**§ 2602. Powers of corporation**

The Catholic War Veterans of the United States of America, Incorporated, (hereinafter referred to as the "corporation") shall have only those powers granted to it through its bylaws and articles of incorporation filed in the State or States in which it is incorporated and subject to the laws of such State or States.

(Pub. L. 98-382, §2, Aug. 17, 1984, 98 Stat. 1343.)

**§ 2603. Objects and purposes of corporation**

The objects and purposes of the corporation are those provided in its articles of incorporation and shall include a continuing commitment, on a national basis, to—

(a) preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution of the United States and the laws of the several States;

(b) commemorate the wars, campaigns, and military actions of the United States in order to reflect profound respect, high honor, and great tribute on the glorious dead and the sur-

living veterans of those wars, campaigns, and actions and to give all Americans a greater understanding of and appreciation for the sacrifices of those who participated in them on behalf of all Americans;

(c) stimulate to the highest degree possible the interest of the entire Nation in the problems of veterans, their widows, and orphans;

(d) cooperate to the fullest extent and in a harmonious manner with all veterans' organizations in common projects designed to serve the interests of all veterans of all wars in which the United States of America has participated;

(e) collate, preserve, and encourage the study of historical episodes, chronicles, mementos, and events pertaining to the wars, campaigns, and military actions of the United States of America;

(f) inculcate an enduring love of country, a deep and abiding sense of patriotism, and a profound commitment to Americanism among all the people of the United States;

(g) encourage, among the youth of our Nation, respect for our national flag, anthem, and for the traditions of America;

(h) preserve the freedoms of all of the people, national peace, prosperity, tranquility, good will, the permanence of free institutions, and the defense of the United States;

(i) foster the association of veterans of the Catholic faith who have served in the Armed Forces of the United States;

(j) encourage morality in government, labor, management, economic, social, fraternal, and all other phases of American life;

(k) promote the realization that the family is the basic unit of society;

(l) increase our love, honor, service to God, and to our fellow man without regard to race, creed, color, or national origin; and

(m) function as a veterans' and patriotic organization as authorized by the laws of the State or States where it is incorporated.

(Pub. L. 98-382, §3, Aug. 17, 1984, 98 Stat. 1343.)

**§ 2604. Service of process**

With respect to service of process, the corporation shall comply with the laws of the States in which it is incorporated and those States in which it carries on its activities in furtherance of its corporate purposes.

(Pub. L. 98-382, §4, Aug. 17, 1984, 98 Stat. 1344.)

**§ 2605. Membership**

Eligibility for membership in the corporation and the rights and privileges of members shall be as provided in the bylaws of the corporation.

(Pub. L. 98-382, §5, Aug. 17, 1984, 98 Stat. 1344.)

**§ 2606. Board of directors**

The board of directors of the corporation and the responsibilities thereof shall be as provided in the articles of incorporation of the corporation and in conformity with the laws of the State or States in which it is incorporated.

(Pub. L. 98-382, §6, Aug. 17, 1984, 98 Stat. 1344.)