

2025 RAKKASAN NATIONAL ELECTION

The Rakkasan Constitution and Bylaws provide that Charter Founding Life (CFL), Charter Life (CL), Regular Life and Regular members can become candidates for election as National Officers and Directors of the National Rakkasan Association (Association). Reserve members can become candidates for election as Secretary, Treasurer, Director or the National Reserve Representative.

- Paid-up Regular, Regular Life, CL, CFL and Reserve members can nominate other Paid-up Regular, Regular Life, Charter Life, Charter Founding Life and Reserve members as election candidates.
- Paid-up Regular, Regular Life, CL, CFL and Reserve members can nominate themselves as election candidates.

Positions open in this 2025 election are President, Treasurer, Board Positions 5, 7, and 9. Terms are for two (2) years.

December 1, 2024 – Nominations and Declarations Open

Starting December 1, 2024, Paid-up Members in good-standing may begin submitting the Nomination Form and Declaration Form(s). Forms are currently on the Association Website - Shimbun Page <https://www.rakkasanassociation.org/shimbun>. Forms will also be sent via email (if a viable email is on file) to Paid-up Members in good-standing or mailed via US Postal Service.

Nomination Process:

- One Nomination Form can be used to list nominations for each position up for election.
- Each nominee (person being nominated) must be in agreement with the nomination and must complete a Declaration Form.
- It is up to the nominator (person nominating), to ensure each nominee is in agreement and willing to serve the two (2) year term.

Declaration Process:

- Each person nominated must complete a Declaration Form to indicate intent and willingness to serve the two (2) year term.
- Campaign statements (one page or less) may be submitted as well. Campaign statements will be made available on the Association Website or through email.
- Declaration Form(s) can be emailed or mailed to the Association Secretary.

January 15, 2025 – Nominations and Declarations Due

The Nomination and Declaration period ends on January 15, 2025. All forms must be received by the Association Secretary by this date. OR if mailed, must be Postmarked on or before January 15, 2025. The Association Secretary will verify that each candidate is a Paid-up Member, in good standing.

February 1, 2025 – Voting Begins/Ballots Available

The Voting period begins February 1, 2025. Names and available campaign statements, along with On-line Ballot will be posted to Association Website, starting February 1, 2025. Official Ballots will also be emailed, or mailed to all voting members in good standing, by the Association Secretary.

March 15, 2025 – Ballots Due

Ballots must be received back to the Proctor by March 15, 2025 to be counted.

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