

RULES AND REGULATIONS
OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY OF THE COUNTY OF ULSTER
Revised as of 2010

The Democratic County Committee of the County of Ulster does hereby adopt the following rules and regulations for the organization and government of the Democratic Party of the County of Ulster in place of the current party rules.

ARTICLE I
GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 1. The Democratic Party of Ulster County shall consist of the voters of each Election District within the County who have duly enrolled as required by law in the Democratic Party.

Section 2. There shall be representative bodies as follows:

1. A County Committee.
2. A City Committee for each City.
3. A Town Committee for each Town.
4. A Ward Committee for each Ward in a City when established.
5. A Village Committee for each Village when established.

Section 3. The County Committee shall be the official organization of the Democratic Party of the County of Ulster. It shall be charged with the administration of the affairs of the party in the County and with the promotion of measures for the harmony, efficiency, and success of the party. All District, City, Town, Ward, and Village Committees within the County shall be under the jurisdiction of the County Committee and subject to such provisions and regulations as it may prescribe. In addition to any specific powers granted to the County Committee in these, its Rules and Regulations, it shall have full power to act in all matters of political policy or party management not inconsistent with the Laws of the State of New York or the Rules and Regulations of the Democratic State Committee.

Section 4. A party officer is an individual who by election or appointment performs any function under the aegis of the Ulster County Democratic Committee.

ARTICLE II
COUNTY COMMITTEE

Section 1. Membership. The County Committee shall consist of two members representing each Election District in Ulster County.

Section 2. Qualifications. Each member of the County Committee shall be an enrolled voter of the Democratic party when elected and through his or her term of office, who resides in the Assembly District containing the Election District from which such member is elected, provided, however, that any city, town, or village committee within the County may restrict membership on the County Committee from the election districts within said municipality to persons residing in such municipality.

Section 3. Time of Election. The members of the County Committee shall be elected biennially in the even-numbered years at the official primary election as provided by the Election Law of the State of New York. Terms of office of members of the County Committee elected without balloting, in accordance with Section 6-160 of the Election Law, shall commence on the date of such primary, as if regularly elected thereat.

Section 4. Vacancies.

(a) The Executive Committee shall at all times when the County Committee is not actually in session have such powers and possess all the rights, privileges, powers, and duties which the said County Committee may have, possess, and exercise, including the power to fill vacancies, unless such action shall be in conflict with the Election Law of the State of New York.

(b) Prior to the next meeting of the County Committee and, upon the written request of a town or city committee, the Executive Committee may fill vacancies by a majority vote at a meeting at which a quorum is present. Persons appointed to fill vacancies by the Executive Committee shall have the right and obligations of a Committee Member, except that he or she shall not vote at a meeting of the County Committee until his or her appointment to fill a vacancy is approved or ratified by the County Committee.

Section 5. Party Leaders.

(a) The Leaders of the County Committee shall be: a Chairman (hereinafter also referred to as the Chair or Chairperson), a Vice Chairperson, a Treasurer, and a Secretary.

Such Officers shall be enrolled voters in the Democratic Party residing in Ulster County but need not be members of the County Committee.

(b) The County Chair shall carry out the programs and policies of the Ulster County Democratic Committee. The County Chair shall prepare an annual budget and provide it to members of the Executive Committee by December 1 of each year for its approval. The Chair shall prepare an agenda for each meeting of both the County Committee and the Executive Committee, shall conduct all meetings of the County Committee in accordance with Article IV of these by-laws and shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by the Executive Committee, these by-laws or as required by law.

(c) The Vice Chairperson shall assist the Chairperson in his or her duties and shall serve as Acting Chairperson in the event of the Chairperson's temporary absence, disability, resignation or removal.

(d). The Secretary shall keep the minutes of all meetings, shall call the roll at the opening of meetings, shall file and preserve all written reports of the County Committee, and make them available for inspection by any member of the County Committee. The Secretary shall maintain a current list of the County Committee, and shall attend to the preparation and distribution of all notices required by these bylaws, and perform such other duties as shall be required by the County Committee and the Election Law.

(e) The Treasurer shall be responsible for collecting, managing, and disbursing all funds of the organization, in accordance with Article X herein, and for preparing and filing all required government reports. The Treasurer shall present an up to date financial report, including both itemized income and expenses, in writing at each meeting of the Executive Committee, and shall also present a written full-year accounting to the County Committee by September 1. All records and reports of the Treasurer shall be made available for inspection by any member of the County Committee.

(f) Upon the expiration of the term of office, or upon removal from office, or inability to act, the Secretary or Treasurer, as applicable, shall deliver books, papers, vouchers, and any other property belonging to the County Committee to his or her successor, or in the event a successor is not in place, to the County Chair until a successor is in place.

(g) If a vacancy occurs in the office of Chairperson of the County Committee at any time between biennial organizational meetings, the Vice Chairperson shall automatically become Acting Chairperson of the County Committee. In the event of such vacancy, it shall be the duty of the Acting Chairperson within thirty (30) days after the vacancy occurs to convene a meeting of the County Committee for the purpose of electing a new permanent Chairperson for the unexpired term unless the next biennial meeting is scheduled to be held within 60 days of the occurrence of the vacancy.

(h) If a vacancy occurs in any office of the County Committee other than that of Chairperson, the Executive Committee shall meet within thirty (30) days and elect a new officer to fill such vacancy for the balance of the unexpired term.

ARTICLE III
ORGANIZATION OF THE COUNTY COMMITTEE

Section 1. Organizational Meeting. Within twenty (20) days after the primary election at which members of the County Committee shall have been elected, the County Committee shall meet and organize by the election of the Leaders provided for in Article II, Section 5 of the Rules. They shall hold office until the next organizational meeting of the County Committee. Within three (3) working days thereafter, there shall be filed in the Office of the Ulster County Board of Elections and in the Office of the Secretary of State a Certificate stating the names and post office addresses of such Leaders.

Section 2. Place and Call. The Chairperson of the outgoing committee shall designate and provide notice of the time, date, and place of said organizational meeting within seven (7) days after the said primary election. If the Chairperson fails to do so, then any party officer shall do so within the next fourteen (14) days.

Section 3. Notice. Notice of the time, date, place, and purpose of all meetings of the County Committee shall be mailed to the post office address of each member of the committee not less than seven (7) days before any such meeting.

Section 4. Presiding Officer. The Chairperson of the outgoing committee shall call said organizational meeting to order. In the event of the absence of said chairperson, any newly elected committeeperson shall call said meeting to order. A temporary Chairperson shall be elected by the County Committee for the sole purpose of the election of a permanent Chairperson.

ARTICLE IV
CONDUCT OF MEETINGS

Section 1. Voting. On all questions presented at any meeting of the County Committee, except for procedural questions, weighted voting shall be used in accordance with Section 2-104 of the Election Law. There shall be no voting by proxy. On all other questions, each member of the County Committee shall have one vote.

Section 2. Quorum. For any meeting of the County Committee at which an election to a party position, or a nomination or endorsement for public office is to be made, a quorum shall be thirty-five (35) percent of the duly elected members of such committee.

For any other meeting of the County Committee, a quorum shall be thirty (30) percent of the duly elected members of such committee. For any meetings of committees of political subdivisions of the County, the committees may fix their own requirements.

Section 3. Call of Meetings. Except as provided in Article III hereof or by any statute otherwise provided, the time and place of meetings of the County Committee shall be subject to the call of the Chair. Whenever there is filed with the Secretary of the County Committee a request in writing signed by at least one-fourth (1/4) of the duly elected members of the Committee that a meeting of the Committee shall be called at a time and place and for a purpose or purposes therein specified, the Secretary or Chairperson of such Committee shall thereupon and within forty-eight (48) hours after the filing of such request, mail to each member of such committee, directed to such member at his or her post office address, a written notice of the time, place, and purpose of such meeting, which time shall not be less than seven (7) days after the mailing of such notice.

Section 4. Conduct of Meetings. The Chairperson of the Committee, or in his or her absence, the Vice-Chair, or in his or her absence, the Chair's designee, shall preside at meetings thereof.

Section 5. Resolutions. All resolutions or other motions made by members shall, on the request of the Chair or any member, be reduced to writing by the member offering the same.

Section 6. Procedure. Except as otherwise provided herein, Robert's Rules of Order shall apply.

Section 7. Order of Business. The following shall be the order of business insofar as applicable, at all meetings of the County Committee except insofar as the first order of business at the organizational meeting shall be the election of a permanent Chair.

1. Call to Order
2. Call of Roll

3. Election of Temporary Chairperson (if applicable)
4. Adoption of rules pertaining to the conduct of the election of officers
5. Election of Officers
6. Filling of Vacancies
7. Old Business
8. Report of Officers
9. Report of Committees
10. New Business
11. Adjournment

ARTICLE V

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 1. Composition. (a) There shall be an Executive Committee consisting of the party Leaders of the County Committee, as provided for in Article II hereof (who shall be the respective officers of the Executive Committee); the State Committee members duly elected in each Assembly District of the County; the Chair of each City and Town Committee or their designee by written authorization of said Chair; the President of the Ulster County Democratic Women and Chair of the Young Democrats. A written designation may be transmitted by e-mail to the designee.

(b) All Democratic members of the Ulster County Legislature, all Democratic Town Supervisors or Mayors and the Legislative District Representatives and the Chairperson of each Special Committee created under these Rules shall receive notice of and may attend and participate in meetings of the Executive Committee, but shall not have the right to vote.

Section 2. Notice. The Executive Committee shall meet monthly on the 4th Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. unless the date or time is adjusted by the Executive Committee. In addition, ten (10) or more members of the Executive Committee may call a meeting at such time and place for such purpose as specified in the meeting notice. Notice shall be given of the meeting to all members of the Executive Committee at least seven (7) days before the meeting.

Section 3. Conduct of Meetings. The provisions of Article IV, Section 4, shall apply to the conduct of meetings of the Executive Committee. Decisions of the Executive Committee meetings require only a majority vote, provided there is a quorum.

Section 4. Quorum. Thirty per cent (30%) of the voting members of the Executive Committee shall constitute a quorum. No decisions can be made by fewer than ten (10) members.

Section 5. Powers. The Executive Committee shall at all times when the County Committee is not actually in session have such powers and possess all the rights, privileges, powers, and duties which the said County Committee may have, possess, and exercise unless such action shall be in conflict with the Election Law of the State of New York.

ARTICLE VI

SPECIAL COMMITTEES

Section 1. Special Committees. Subject to the approval of the Executive Committee, the Chairperson may create such special committees as he or she deems necessary, and appoint the Committee Chairperson thereof who shall in turn appoint the additional members.

Section 2. Termination. All Special Committees shall expire no later than the close of the Executive Committee's tenure or when terminated by a majority vote of the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE VII

DESIGNATION OF CANDIDATES FOR PUBLIC OFFICE AND PARTY POSITIONS

Section 1. Unofficial County Convention. An Unofficial County Convention may be held for the purpose of recommending candidates for public office and party positions to be voted on in primary elections. Such Unofficial County Convention may be called at any time it may be deemed proper by a majority vote of the Executive Committee. This convention shall be conducted pursuant to the procedures set forth in Article IV of these rules.

Section 2. Obligations of Candidates Seeking or Holding Party Office. All of those persons seeking or holding party office within the Democratic Party of Ulster County thereby undertake, while so serving or seeking to serve, not to publicly oppose the election of any duly nominated person on the Democratic ballot in Ulster County. Promptly after an individual's election or appointment to Party office, the Secretary of the Executive Committee shall provide such office holder a copy of these Rules and Regulations.

ARTICLE VIII

CITY AND TOWN COMMITTEES

Section 1. Composition. There shall be a City or Town Committee in each of the towns and cities of the county. The members of the County Committee from each city and town shall constitute the respective city and town committees thereof. The respective city or town committees may designate up to two enrolled members of the Democratic Party for each election district in said city or town as Associate Committee members with such powers as their own rules shall provide, provided said rules are not inconsistent with these bylaws and the Election Law of the State of New York.

Section 2. Organization Meeting. (a) Each City and Town Committee shall meet no later than the twentieth (20th) day following the official primary at which its members were elected, organized by the election of a Chairperson, Secretary, Treasurer, and such other officer as the committee may deem appropriate. Such officers need not be members of the County Committee. Within three (3) days after the official primary, the City or Town Chairperson shall designate the time and place of such organizational meeting. The City

or Town Committee shall give at least three (3) days' notice of such meeting in writing to each duly elected committee member.

(b) The Chairperson or, in his/her absence or failure to attend, any County Committee member from the organizing town or city committee shall call such meeting to order and the members present, by a majority vote, shall select a temporary Chairperson and a temporary Secretary to conduct such meeting until the election of the new officers. The method of voting shall be in accordance with the applicable provisions of the Election Law of the State of New York. The candidate receiving a majority of the votes cast by the members present shall be declared elected. Each candidate shall be entitled to appoint one teller to canvass the ballots.

(c) The presiding Officer and Secretary of such meeting shall execute a Certificate of Election of such Officers stating their names and post office addresses, upon forms to be provided by the Ulster County Democratic Committee. Such Certificate shall be filed with the Ulster County Democratic Committee and the Ulster County Board of Elections within three (3) days after such meeting.

Section 3. Term of Office. The officers of a Town or City Committee shall hold office until the next organizational meeting of said Town or City Committee and shall be eligible for reelection. In the event of a vacancy created by a Town or City Committee Officer, the remaining members shall within thirty (30) days elect a successor by majority vote and certify the election by the same procedure as provided in Section 2 of this Article.

Section 4. Regular Meeting. In addition to the meeting called for in Section 2 of this Article, each City or Town Committee shall meet as often as necessary, but in no event less than four (4) times a year.

Section 5. Local Rules. City and Town Committees may adopt rules and regulations; provided, however, that such rules and regulations shall only be valid to the extent they are not inconsistent with the Rules and Regulations of the Ulster County Democratic Committee or the Election Law of the State of New York. Such rules and regulations as adopted must be filed in accordance with Section 2-114 of the Election Law of the State of New York.

Section 6. Designations and Nominations.

(a) Candidates for town offices shall be nominated at a party caucus. A notice of any party caucus held for making party nominations of candidates for town offices shall be given by proper party authorities either by newspaper publication thereof once within the town at least one week and not more than two weeks preceding the caucus, or by posting in ten public places in the town at least ten days preceding the caucus. The notice shall specify the time and place or places and purpose of the caucus. There shall be a Chairperson and Secretary and there may be tellers for each such caucus, and they shall take the constitutional oath of office before acting. No person shall participate in such caucus for the nomination of candidates for town offices, unless he or she shall appear as an enrolled party voter on the transcript of enrollments from the registration poll ledger. Town caucuses shall be held at the expense of the party.

(b) Party nominations for public office in any city in the County of Ulster shall be made in accordance with the provisions of the Election Law of the State of New York.

ARTICLE IX
WARD AND VILLAGE COMMITTEES

Section 1. The members of the County Committee from the Election Districts of each Ward of a City and of each Village shall constitute the respective Ward and Village Committee thereof. The powers and duties of a Ward and Village Committees shall be such as specified in the approved rules and regulations of the respective City and Town Committees in which the various Wards and Village are located.

Section 2. Designation and Members. Nominations of candidates for elective offices shall be made as provided in Section 15-108 of the New York State Election Law.

ARTICLE X
FUNDS AND BORROWING

Section 1. The funds of the County Committee shall be deposited from time to time in such financial institution authorized to do business in the State of New York as may be determined by resolution of the County Committee or the Executive Committee. All funds shall be deposited in the name of the Ulster County Democratic Committee, unless authorized by the Executive Committee to be deposited in such other account as may further the purposes and policies of the County Committee. Unless otherwise authorized by resolution of the Executive Committee, all checks, drafts, withdrawals or other orders for the payment of money issued in the name of the County Committee shall require the signature of any two of the following: the Chairperson, the Treasurer, and any other person(s) designated by the Executive Committee, provided that expenditures of more than \$250 require the approval of the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee shall have the right to require an independent audit of the County's financial records and books.

Section 2. The Chairperson and the Treasurer, jointly, are authorized and empowered to borrow from any financial institution authorized to do business in the State of New York, or from any partnership or individual, from time to time, as in their judgment may be deemed appropriate or necessary to the business and affairs of the County Committee, such sum or sums of money, upon such terms and for such periods of time as they may deem appropriate, for proper expenses in connection with the conduct of an election

campaign (but not a primary campaign) or for the expenses of maintaining and carrying on the business of the County Committee between election campaigns; provided, however; that such authorization and power to borrow funds shall be subject to the approval of the Executive Committee. Any such borrowing shall be evidenced by the promissory note or notes or other written evidence of indebtedness and obligation of the County Committee signed by the Chairperson and Treasurer, jointly.

Section 3. It is prohibited for anyone to deposit funds raised or borrowed purportedly for the benefit of the UCDC, without prior Executive Committee approval.

ARTICLE XI
ETHICS CODE

Section 1: Statement of Principles. Rules of ethical guidance for the conduct of party officers will help earn the public trust.

(a) It is essential that party position not be used for private gain.

(b) Members and Officers of the Ulster County Democratic Committee shall not engage in corrupt practices nor engage in conduct that creates the appearance of conflict of interest with their party office.

(c) The County Committee shall be bound by this Code in the administration of hearings and the rendering of decisions, and the Secretary shall maintain all relevant materials for inspection.

Section 2. Complaints. Any enrolled Democrat may submit to the Chair or the Secretary of the Executive Committee (privately and without any public release or announcement with respect thereto) a written complaint alleging a specific violation of the Rules and Regulations of the County Committee by any person holding or seeking to hold a Party office.

Section 3. Ad Hoc Investigatory Committee. Beginning with the first Executive Committee meeting after the ratification of these Rules and Regulations, the Secretary shall constitute an Ad Hoc Investigatory Committee by selecting by lot from the roster of the Executive Committee membership five (5) persons and two (2) alternates to serve. The first person whose name is drawn shall serve as Chair of the committee. This committee shall serve through the processing of one complaint. If and when a complaint is assigned to an Ad Hoc Investigatory Committee, the Secretary shall immediately choose another Investigatory Committee in the same manner to await the next complaint. No member of the Executive Committee may serve in this capacity more than once until the complete roster has been exhausted. The thus constituted Ad Hoc Investigatory Committee shall notify the responding office holder (hereafter "Respondent") of the pending complaint within ten (10) business days of its receipt by the Secretary or Chair, whichever is earlier.

Section 4. Procedures of the Ad Hoc Investigatory Committee. Within fifteen (15) days of receipt of the copy of such Complaint, the Respondent may submit a written response to the Investigatory Committee. Promptly thereafter (and in no case later than thirty (30) days after the conclusion of such 15-day period), the Investigatory Committee may, in its discretion, dismiss the complaint, recommend a reprimand or admonition to the Executive Committee or schedule a hearing on the merits of the Complaint. In all cases the Investigatory Committee shall notify the Executive Committee of its determination in writing, setting forth the basis for its conclusions. The Executive Committee shall consider the recommendations in executive session. Members of the Ad Hoc Investigatory Committee may participate, but may not vote. The Secretary shall notify Respondent and Complainant of the Executive Committee's determination.

Section 5. Hearings

(a) If a hearing is to be held, then, at least 15 days prior to the date scheduled by the Secretary or Chair, the Complainant, if any, and Respondent shall each be notified of the time, date and place of such hearing.

(b) Hearings shall be private, but all reprimands, admonitions, penalties and other determinations adverse to the Respondent shall be made available to the Respondent.

(c) In conducting a hearing, the Ad Hoc Investigatory Committee may request written or oral testimony. The Respondent may present written or oral testimony on his or her behalf and will be entitled to have counsel present at such hearing. All constitutionally mandated Due Process shall attach to these proceedings which shall be held before the Executive Committee, with the Chair presiding.

Section 6. Penalties. Pursuant to the procedures set forth in Sections 2 through 5 above, a County Committee member may, in the Executive Committee's discretion, be reprimanded, admonished or suspended (for a period not to exceed one (1) year) or removed from party office upon a determination of a violation of the Code of Ethics by such member pursuant to a 2/3 majority vote of the County Committee. A member who, pursuant to this Section, is removed from office for a violation of the Code of Ethics may not hold party office for five (5) years from the date of removal.

Section 7. Obligation of Candidates Seeking or Holding Party Office.

All of those persons seeking or holding party office under the Democratic Party label or Democratic Party name, thereby undertake, while so serving or seeking to serve, not to publicly oppose the election of any Democratic nominee for office in New York State.

ARTICLE XII

REMOVAL OF A COMMITTEE MEMBER

Section 1. Grounds for Removal

A member of the County Committee may be removed by the County Committee for any of the grounds specified in Election Law, Section 2-116 and for violations of the Ethics Code of these By Laws, pursuant to Article XI, section 6.

Section 2. Initiation of Proceedings

Removal proceedings against a member of the County Committee shall be initiated either by the filing of a written determination by the Executive Committee of a violation of the Ethics Code, as set forth in Article XI, section 6, or by the filing of a removal petition signed either (1) by no less than one-third (1/3) of the County Committee members representing the same city or town as the committee member whose removal is being sought; or (2) by not less than one-third (1/3) of the members of the entire County Committee. The petition shall state the ground or grounds for which removal is being sought and shall identify the specific action which constitutes the ethics violation, disloyalty and/or corruption in office.

Petitions for removal of a County committee member shall be filed with the Secretary or Chair of the County Committee.

Within 15 days of the filing of a valid petition or Ethics Code violation determination calling for removal of a County Committee member, the Chairperson, or Vice Chair if the Chair is the subject of removal, shall promptly appoint a five (5) person Removal Subcommittee of the County Committee (“Removal Subcommittee”), none of whom shall be a committee member from the city or town of the committee member whose removal is being sought. The Removal Subcommittee shall promptly select one of their number as Removal Subcommittee Chairperson and shall fix a time for a hearing of the removal charges before the Removal Subcommittee. The County Chairperson shall also at that time name a person who need not be a member of the County Committee who shall represent the County Chairperson at the hearing and shall present the case against the committee member whose removal is being sought.

A copy of the written charges and a notice of the hearing date shall be mailed to the committee member being charged (“Respondent”) by the Chair of the Removal Subcommittee within 15 days of his or her appointment. Respondent may submit a written response to the Removal Subcommittee.

Section 3. Hearings

Hearings shall be conducted in private.

Where a removal proceeding is initiated pursuant to a written determination of the Executive Committee of a violation of the Ethics Code, as set forth in Article XI, section 6, rendered after a hearing before the Executive Committee and confirmed by a 2/3 majority vote of the County Committee, no further hearing shall be necessary.

In all other cases, the Removal Subcommittee shall conduct an administrative hearing, taking testimony and receiving evidence, before making a determination based upon clear and convincing evidence. The Respondent may, if he or she so chooses, be represented by a spokesman (who need not be an attorney). Respondent shall have the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against him or her and to present witnesses or evidence in his or her behalf.

The Removal Subcommittee shall, within twenty (20) days following the conclusion of the hearing, file a written report with the Secretary of the County Committee setting forth its findings as to the material facts and as to whether grounds for removal have been established.

Section 4. Final Determination

In the event the Subcommittee’s report finds that no grounds for removal have been established, the matter shall be closed.

In the event the report finds that grounds for removal have been established, the matter shall be taken up by the County Committee at a meeting called by the Chairperson within a reasonable time thereafter to determine whether the committee member shall be removed from office. A majority vote of those committeemen present and voting at the meeting shall be required for removal.

ARTICLE XIII
REMOVAL OF A PARTY LEADER

Section 1. Removal Proceedings. A Party Leader may be removed by a no confidence vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the County Committee.

Such proceedings shall be commenced by the filing of a removal petition signed by no less than one-third (1/3) of the members of the County Committee.

Petitions for removal of a Party Leader shall be filed with the Secretary of the County Committee.

The petitioners shall have the right to fix a meeting of the County Committee at which a vote will be taken on the requested removal. The time and place of the meeting shall be set in a written notice of meeting accompanying the petition. The notice shall also identify the purpose of the meeting. The meeting shall be scheduled no less than eight (8) days nor more than thirty (30) days after the filing of the petition; and a copy of the petition and notice of meeting shall be mailed to each member and Party Leader by certified mail, return receipt requested at the expense of the petitioners, no later than two (2) days after the filing of the petition with the Secretary.

The meeting shall be called to order by the Chairperson of the County Committee, or by the next succeeding officer if it is the Chairperson whose removal is being sought.

The officer whose removal is being sought shall have a full opportunity to present his or her position, after which a vote of the County Committee shall be taken. A two-thirds (2/3) vote of the voting strength of the committee shall be required for removal. The removal of an individual as a Party Leader shall in no way affect his or her separate status as a member of the Ulster County Democratic Committee.

ARTICLE XIV
MISCELLANEOUS

Section 1. The current County Committee Rules and Regulations are hereby repealed.

Section 2. These rules may be amended as provided in Section 2-114 of the Election Law of the State of New York.

Section 3. These rules become effective immediately upon adoption.

Adopted Date _____