

BY-LAWS OF THE
BELNAP and or BELKNAP SURNAME ORGANIZATION

I. The name of this society shall be, "Belnap and or Belknap Surname Organization."

II. Any direct descendant of a Belnap, whether the name is spelled Belnap or Belknap shall be eligible to membership in this organization

III. The object of this organization shall be to perpetuate the name and achievements of the men and women who bear the name of Belnap or Belknap; by preserving old landmarks, collecting relics securing unprinted manuscripts, photographs and all such data as shall aid in perfecting a record of the strong character, pure life, and heroic deeds of the Belnaps and or Belknaps, by holding a yearly reunion, by reviewing the lives of the Belnap's and or Belknaps, teaching their descendants and the citizens of our country the lesson of faith, courage and patriotism, and by creating a spirit of fellowship among their posterity.

IV. The organization badge to be worn is a miniature of the old original "COAT OF ARMS" of the Belknap family.

V. There shall be a Board of Directors of this organization consisting of one member of each of the following families:

- 1 The Gilbert Belnap family,
 - 2 The Reuben Belnap Family,
 - 3 The Joseph Belnap Family,
 - 4 The Martha Jane Hammon family,
 - 5 The Augustus W. Belnap family, 6 The Hyrum Belnap family
 - 7 The Vinson K. Belnap family,
 - 8 The Amasa Belnap family,
 - 9 The Adaline Belnap Lowe family, 10 The Mary Louisa Belnap Lowe family
 - 11 The William J. Belnap family,
 - 12 The Oliver Belnap Family 11 The Lola Almira Belnap Coolbear family
 - 13 The Francis Marion Belnap family,
 - 14 The Isadora Estela Belnap Stoddard family,
 - 15 other families may be added to this list by the consent of the group.
- The director chosen shall be by each family group.

VI. There shall be a president, first and second vice presidents, a Secretary and a Treasurer, and a historian, all to be selected by the group at large at one of their regular meetings. There shall also be a genealogist to be chosen by the Board of Directors. There shall be a temple committee, chosen as above set forth, consisting of a chairman, a Genealogist and a recording secretary. The officers mentioned in this paragraph shall be chosen at any annual meeting by the group at large, and

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in order to qualify must be a direct descendant of a Belnap and or a Belknap, and shall hold office for a period of one year or until their successors are elected and qualify.

VII. All records shall be the property of the organization.

VIII. The Board of Directors may include a representative from any other Belknap not mentioned in Article V above.

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IX. The Board of Directors shall automatically become members of the Temple Committee.

X. In the event of the death of the President the First Vice President shall act and so on down the line of officers, and The Board of Directors shall appoint a new director when a vacancy occurs.

XI. Any direct descendant of a Belnap and or a Belknap shall be allowed to vote at any general election held at a reunion.

XII. All meetings of the group shall be subject to the call of the president. Membership includes one dollar per year member per year.

These By-Laws together with some additional defining the duties of each officer should suffice

These By-Laws were drafted by Judge Hyrum A. Belnap and accepted Fall of 1939 at meeting held at Franklin, Idaho.

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