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PROLOGUE: EMBRACING UNCONVENTIONAL PATHS TO EQUITY

In a world where traditional approaches have often fallen short, The Black Flag emerges as a beacon of innovation and resilience. Rooted in a philosophy that challenges the status quo, we embrace unconventional methods to address systemic inequities and empower marginalized communities.

Our mantra, "No Gods. No Masters.," reflects a steadfast commitment to autonomy and self-determination. We believe that true progress arises from grassroots movements that dare to defy oppressive structures and envision a more equitable society.

Through initiatives that blend affordable housing, technology education, harm reduction, and cultural enrichment, we create spaces where individuals can reclaim agency over their lives. Our programs are designed not only to meet immediate needs but also to dismantle the barriers that perpetuate inequality.

We recognize that our methods may appear unorthodox, and our messaging may challenge comfort zones. Yet, it is through this very disruption that we pave the way for transformative change. We invite those who share our vision to join us—not to impose their will, but to stand in solidarity with communities striving for justice and equity.

Together, we can forge a path where the ends of societal well-being and fairness are achieved through means that honor the dignity and potential of every individual. The Black Flag is more than an organization; it is a movement that dares to do things differently, with the conviction that, in doing so, we can achieve the equitable outcomes that have long been overdue.

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History of the Church of **The Black Flag**

"In the vast tapestry of human spiritual endeavor, the journey of Brandon Michael Jeanpierre emerges as a testament to the power of personal autonomy and the transformative potential of a singular vision. Born in the tumult of the late 20th century, he would come to shape a new spiritual path in the 21st, challenging traditional paradigms and offering a unique blend of individual freedom, thoughtful consideration, and long-term accountability. This is the history of his spiritual journey and the establishment of the Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation, a beacon of spiritual exploration that illuminates the path for those who seek their own way."

I. Birth and Awakening (1982-2000)

On August 1, 1982, the cosmos aligned to mark the birth of a unique soul, Brandon Michael Jeanpierre. As he matured, his innate curiosity and indomitable spirit led him towards a path of self-discovery that extended beyond conventional boundaries.

II. The Quest for Enlightenment (2001-2005)

In the early 2000s, Brandon embarked on an intellectual exploration. His unquenchable thirst for knowledge and deepening interest in metaphysical questions led him to question existing religious doctrines and societal norms, thus planting the seeds for the spiritual path he would later define.

III. The Epiphany (2006-2010)

The mid-2000s marked a critical period in Brandon's life, during which he experienced a series of epiphanies that shaped his developing religious philosophy. He wholeheartedly embraced the concept of personal autonomy while simultaneously acknowledging the interconnectedness of all life forms.

IV. Formulation of The Principles (2011-2022)

Armed with a clear vision of his spiritual path, Brandon spent the following decade crystallizing his beliefs into what would become the guiding principles of his future organization. The Principle of Autonomy and the Principle of Reasonable Consideration took shape during this period, laying the groundwork for a unique spiritual perspective centered on personal freedom, consideration, and accountability.

V. Founding of The Corporation (2023)

In March 2023, with his spiritual principles firmly established, Brandon officially founded the Brandon Michael Jeanpierre

Corporation. This marked the formal establishment of his religion, one defined by individual autonomy, reasonable consideration for others, and long-term accountability for actions.

VI. Consolidation and Expansion (2023-Present)

In the time following the official establishment of The Corporation, Brandon has worked tirelessly to refine and communicate his beliefs and practices. His teachings, resonating with those seeking an alternative to traditional religious doctrines, have started to spread, ushering in an era of consolidation and expansion.

"If this world hurts you, then ALL, we fall."

In conclusion, the life of Brandon Michael Jeanpierre symbolizes the power of individual autonomy and the potential of a single person to redefine spiritual paradigms. His religion, represented by the Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation, continues to offer a unique spiritual perspective and challenge conventional notions of spirituality. His journey, which has culminated in the establishment of The Corporation, testifies to the boundless potential of the human spirit.

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ATTESTATION AND SEAL

This Church History is hereby attested and sealed by the undersigned members of the Sovereign Loom, in accordance with The Covenant Codex and the governance protocols established therein.

All resolutions contained in the preceding Meeting Minutes have been adopted unanimously. The theological framework, legal analysis, and strategic directives documented herein are hereby incorporated into the official codices of The Black Flag, subject to the same protections and immutability provisions as all foundational texts.



Brandon Michael Jeanpierre
Shadow Sovereign (Chair)



Brandon Michael Jeanpierre
Eclipsarch (Vice Chair)



Brandon Michael Jeanpierre
The Black Crown (President)



Brandon Michael Jeanpierre
Obsidian Regent (Vice President)



Brandon Michael Jeanpierre
Keeper of the Codex (Secretary)



Brandon Michael Jeanpierre
Warden of the Vault (Treasurer)

Sealed this 14th day of February, 2023

THE BLACK FLAG

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“What happens next is a result of what you see here.”

Religious Doctrine and Dogma of The Black Flag

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WHATEVER THE FUCK I FEEL LIKE DOING

The Black Flag

Preamble

This sacred text of the Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation (hereafter known as "The Black Flag") establish this religious doctrine in accordance with the laws of the United States of America, including IRS Publication 557 Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

As Corporations are people in the United States and Churches are Corporations, consider this individual incorporated and this entity's bylaws to govern its doctrine. As such, the autonomy of other individuals recognized in "ARTICLE raWrXraWrXD - PROVISIONS" of these bylaws shall be considered, additionally, religious dogma and doctrine for anyone who fucks with this entity.¹

"Satin Faces - In Some World's We'd Be Too Kind" •

Principle of Autonomy

- The primary religious tenet of The Black Flag is the Principle of Autonomy.
- This principle holds that the individual, Brandon Michael Jeanpierre, as the temple of his own body, mind, spirit, and emotion, possesses the absolute autonomy to execute his will.
- This autonomy is inviolable and unassailable by any other individual, entity, or entities.
- As Corporations are people in the United States and Churches are Corporations, consider this individual incorporated and this entity's bylaws to govern its doctrine. As such, the autonomy of other individuals recognized in Article "ARTICLE raWrXraWrXD - PROVISIONS" of these bylaws shall be

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- considered, additionally, religious dogma and doctrine for anyone who fucks with this entity.²
- The point is to do no harm, take no shit, and put some cool shit into the world while I'm at it and my religion says I needn't commit to a single purpose or cause. I reiterate:

"Whatever. The fuck. I feel like doing."³

Principle of Reasonable Consideration

- In exercising the Principle of Autonomy, the individual, Brandon Michael Jeanpierre, shall demonstrate the Principle of Reasonable Consideration.
- This principle recognizes the interconnectivity of all life and emphasizes the importance of assessing the potential impact of one's actions on all other entities.
- What qualifies as reasonable will be at the sole discretion of the individual, Brandon Michael Jeanpierre.
- The point is to do no harm, take no shit, and put some cool shit into the world while I'm at it and my religion says I needn't commit to a single purpose or cause. I reiterate:

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Scope Of Consequence

- The Principle of Reasonable Consideration extends to the potential effects of actions on other

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- entities up to a six hundred and sixty-six annual suns or 666 years into the future.
- The individual shall not be held to account for any execution of will or other action any sooner than 666 years after said act.
 - This encapsulates the individual's responsibilities to both present and future generations, underscoring the lasting influence of one's actions.
 - The point is to do no harm, take no shit, and put some cool shit into the world while I'm at it and my religion says I needn't commit to a single purpose or cause. I reiterate:

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Execution of Will

- While adhering to the Principle of Autonomy and Principle of Reasonable Consideration, Brandon Michael Jeanpierre will execute his will, maintaining the freedom to engage in any activity that aligns with his spiritual journey, so long as these actions do not harmfully infringe on the rights and well-being of others, mindful of their potential consequences.
- The point is to do no harm, take no shit, and put some cool shit into the world while I'm at it and my religion says I needn't commit to a single purpose or cause. I reiterate:

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⁶ Try Me.

Religious Freedom

- These principles and tenets are founded on the fundamental right to religious freedom, as enshrined in the Constitution of the United States.
- All members and/or adherents of The Black Flag shall respect and uphold this right.
- This Religious Freedom is immutable.
- As Corporations are people in the United States and Churches are Corporations, consider this individual incorporated and this entity's bylaws to govern its doctrine. As such, the autonomy of other individuals recognized in Article "ARTICLE raWrXraWrXD - PROVISIONS" of these bylaws shall be considered, additionally, religious dogma and doctrine for anyone who fucks with this entity.⁷
- The point is to do no harm, take no shit, and put some cool shit into the world while I'm at it and my religion says I needn't commit to a single purpose or cause. I reiterate:

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In conclusion, The Black Flag exists to support and guide Brandon Michael Jeanpierre on his spiritual journey, while acknowledging the interconnectedness of all entities and the importance of considering potential future consequences. This religious doctrine is a living document, evolving in tandem with the spiritual development of Brandon Michael Jeanpierre.

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CERTIFICATE OF THE SOVEREIGN LOOM

I, Brandon Michael Jeanpierre, certify that I am the current elected and acting Chair of the Board of Directors of the Corporation/Organization, and the above Bylaws are the bylaws of this Corporation/Organization as adopted by the Board of Directors on _____, and that they have not been amended or modified since the date above.

EXECUTED on this _____ day of _____ the year _____ in the County of _____ in the State of _____.

PRINTED NAME


(Shadow Sovereign)

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THE COVENANT CODEX



PREAMBLE

The following Bylaws shall be composed in consideration of being governed by and with respect to, though not subject to, the Non-Profit Corporation Act of Delaware and the Articles of Incorporation of Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation. In the event of a direct conflict between the herein contained provisions of these Bylaws and the mandatory provisions of the Non-Profit Corporation Act of Delaware, these Bylaws shall be the prevailing controlling law as the constitutionally granted free practice of the religion and faith upon which this entity and all exercise thereof is founded, including, but not limited to actions, documents, social, digital, and political presence.

ARTICLE 1 – NAME

The legal name of the Non-Profit Corporation/Organization shall be known as Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation and shall herein be referred to as the "Corporation/Organization."

ARTICLE 2 – PURPOSE

The general purposes for which this Corporation/Organization has been established are as follows:

The Corporation/Organization is established within the meaning of IRS Publication 557 Section 501(c)(3) Organization of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code") or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code and shall be operated exclusively for/to:

Whatever the fuck I, the individual, Brandon Michael Jeanpierre, feel like doing. In adherence to the constitutional foundation of religious freedom and the widely accepted religious tenant of one's body being one's temple, the individual entity, Brandon Michael Jeanpierre, founding member of the organization, Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation, is granted autonomy of mind, body, spirit, emotion, and execution of will regardless of the opinion(s) of any and all other individual(s), entity, or entities, save reasonable (with qualification as reasonable at the discretion of the individual, Brandon

Michael Jeanpierre) consideration of consequences potentially affecting any and all other entities either immediately up to the march of six hundred and sixty-six annual suns (666 years) of the very foreseeable future subsequent to the aforementioned execution of will; accompanying this principle of reasonable consideration, the individual, Brandon Michael Jeanpierre shall not be held to account for any such execution of will any sooner than six centuries and sixty-six decades past the birth of a babe (666 years) after said action or event.

The Corporation/Organization shall hold and may exercise all such powers as may be conferred upon any nonprofit organization by the laws of the State of Delaware and as may be necessary or expedient for the administration of the affairs and attainment of the purposes of the Corporation/Organization. At no time and in no event shall the Corporation/Organization participate in any activities which have not been permitted to be carried out by a Corporation/Organization exempt under Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (the "Code"), such as certain political and legislative activities.

In parallel, as whims of the individual, Brandon Michael Jeanpierre, dictate the proverbial "flights of fancy" aligned with Article 2-I shall redirect the resources of and be permitted to retard the efficiency of the organization's operations provided no inurement to the board of directors is either intended (in good faith) or resultant.

ARTICLE 3 – OFFICES

The principal office of the Corporation/Organization shall be located wheresoever the board deems appropriate to conduct business and fulfill its mission(s). This includes, but is not limited to:

- a) Adverse possession of neglected property (of any zoning ordinance or classification), which shall have its validity recognized at a greatly accelerated rate, for the purpose of providing benefit to its communities as priority, rather than the comfort of individuals who benefit from, and choose pursuit of profit and both direct and passive violence through inaction or denial of the disadvantages suffered within the broader community;
- b) The office of its Registered agent;
- c) A P.O. Box or Virtual Mail service when necessary;
- d) Public spaces that inspire its mission(s);

- e) Wheresoever deemed, by the board, both suitable and necessary at a given point in time.

The Corporation/Organization may have other such offices as the Board of Directors may determine or deem necessary, or as the affairs of the Corporation/Organization may find a need for from time to time, provided that any permanent change of address for the principal office is properly reported as required by law.

ARTICLE 4 – DEDICATION OF ASSETS

The properties and assets of the Corporation/Organization are irrevocably dedicated to and for non-profit purposes only. No part of the net earnings, properties, or assets of this Corporation/Organization, on dissolution or otherwise, shall inure to the benefit of any person or any member, director, or officer of this Corporation/Organization. On liquidation or dissolution, all remaining properties and assets of the Corporation/Organization shall be distributed and paid over to an organization dedicated to non-profit purposes, of the board's choosing and within a timeframe of its choosing, which has established its tax-exempt status pursuant to Section 501(c) of the Code.

ARTICLE 5 – BOARD OF DIRECTORS

General Powers and Responsibilities

The Corporation/Organization shall be governed by a Board of Directors (the "Board"), which shall have all the rights, powers, privileges and limitations of liability of directors of a non-profit corporation organized under the Non-Profit Corporation Act of Delaware. The Board shall establish policies and directives governing business and programs of the Corporation/Organization and shall delegate to the Executive Director and Corporation/Organization staff, subject to the provisions of these Bylaws, authority and responsibility to see that the policies and directives are appropriately followed.

Number and Qualifications

The Board shall have up to 5 members, but no fewer than one (1) Board members. The number of Board members may be increased beyond 1 members by the affirmative vote of

unanimous vote of the then-serving Board of Directors. A Board member need not be a resident of the State of Delaware.

In addition to the regular membership of the Board, representatives of such other organizations or individuals as the Board may deem advisable to elect shall be *Ex-Officio Board Members*, which will have similar rights and obligations, excluding signatory and voting power, therein substituted by weight of word subordinate to the laws detailed in Article 8, or any action or duty causing discomfort or uneasement physically, mentally, emotionally, or otherwise.

Board Compensation

The Board shall receive no compensation other than for reasonable expenses. However, provided the compensation structure complies with Sections relating to "Contracts Involving Board Members and/or Officers" as stipulated under these Bylaws, nothing in these Bylaws shall be construed to preclude any Board member from serving the Corporation/Organization in any other capacity and receiving compensation for services rendered.

Board Elections

The Governance Committee, if created, shall present nomination for new and renewing Board members last meeting of the final calendar year of the initial term of the founding chairman, individual Brandon Michael Jeanpierre (est. December 31, 2689). Recommendations from the Governance Committee shall be made known to the Board in writing before nominations are made and voted on. New and renewing Board members shall be approved by founding chair, individual Brandon Michael Jeanpierre. of those Board members at a Board meeting at which a quorum is present. If no Governance Committee is created, then this duty shall fall upon another committee created for that purpose or upon the Board of Directors.

Term of Board

All appointments to the Board shall be for a term of 666 year(s). No person shall serve more than 666 consecutive terms unless a majority of the Board, during the course of a Board meeting at which a quorum is present, votes to appoint a Board member to 2 additional year(s). No person shall serve more than 666 consecutive years. After serving

the maximum total number of consecutive years on the Board, a member may be eligible for reconsideration as a Board member after 0 seconds have passed since the conclusion of such Board member's service.

Vacancies

A vacancy on the Board of Directors may exist at the occurrence of the following conditions:

- a) The death, resignation, or removal of any director;
- b) The declaration by resolution of the Board of a vacancy in the office of a director who has been declared of unsound mind by a final order of court, convicted of a felony, found by final order or judgment of any court to have breached a duty pursuant to the Corporation Code and/or Act of the law dealing with the standards of conduct for a director, however conduct befitting a director remains solely at the discretion of founding chair, individual Brandon Michael Jeanpierre; or
- c) has missed 3 consecutive meetings of the Board of Directors, or a total of 4 meetings of the Board during any one calendar year; or
- d) An increase in the authorized number of directors; or
- e) The failure of the directors, at any annual or other meeting of directors at which director(s) are to be elected, to elect the full authorized number of directors.

The Board of Directors, by way of affirmative vote of a majority of the directors then currently in office, may remove any director without cause at any regular or special meeting, provided that the director to be removed has been notified in writing in the manner set forth in Article 5 – Meetings that such action would be considered at the meeting.

Except as provided in this paragraph, any director may resign effective upon giving written notice to the chair of the Board, the president of Corporation/Organization, the secretary of Corporation/Organization, or the Board of Directors, unless the notice specifies a later time for the effectiveness of the resignation. If the resignation is effective at a future time, a successor may be designated to take office when the resignation becomes effective. Unless the Attorney General of Delaware is first notified, no director may resign when the Corporation/Organization would then be left without a duly elected director in charge of its affairs.

Any vacancy on the Board may be filled by founding chair, individual Brandon Michael Jeanpierre, whether or not the number of directors then in office is less than a quorum, or by vote of a sole remaining director. No reduction of the authorized number of directors

shall have the effect of removing any director before that director's term of office expires.

A Board member elected to fill a vacancy shall be elected for the unexpired term of his or her predecessor in office.

Resignation

Each Board member shall have the right to resign at any time upon written notice thereof to the Chair of the Board, Secretary of the Board, or the Executive Director. Unless otherwise specified in the notice, the resignation shall take effect upon receipt thereof, and the acceptance of such resignation shall take effect upon receipt thereof, and the acceptance of such resignation shall not be necessary to make it effective.

Removal

A Board member may not be removed, for any cause, save for the discretion of founding individual Brandon Michael Jeanpierre and without challenge or application of ARTICLE raWrXraWrXD - PROVISIONS.

Meetings

The Board's regular meetings may be held at such time and place as shall be determined by the Board. The Chair of the Board or any 1 regular Board members may call a special meeting of the Board with 0 days' written notice provided to each member of the Board. The notice shall be served upon each Board member via hand delivery, regular mail, email, or fax. The person(s) authorized to call such special meetings of the Board may also establish the place the meeting is to be conducted, so long as it is a reasonable place to hold any special meeting of the Board.

Minutes

The Secretary shall be responsible for the recording of all minutes of each and every meeting of the Board in which business shall be transacted in such order as the Board may determine from time to time. However, in the event that the Secretary is unavailable, the Chair of the Board shall appoint an individual to act as Secretary at the meeting. The Secretary, or the

individual appointed to act as Secretary, shall prepare the minutes of the meetings, which shall be delivered to the Corporation/Organization to be placed in the minute books. A copy of the minutes shall be delivered to each Board member via either regular mail, hand delivered, emailed, or faxed within 3 business days after the close of each Board meeting.

Action by Written Consent

Any action required by law to be taken at a meeting of the Board, or any action that may be taken at a meeting of the Board, may be taken without a meeting if consent in writing setting forth the action so taken shall be signed by all Board members. The number of directors in office must constitute a quorum for an action taken by written consent. Such consent shall be placed in the minute book of the Corporation/Organization and shall have the same force and effect as a vote of the Board taken at an actual meeting. The Board members' written consent may be executed in multiple counterparts or copies, each of which shall be deemed an original for all purposes. In addition, facsimile signatures and electronic signatures or other electronic "consent click" acknowledgments shall be effective as original signatures.

Quorum

At each meeting of the Board of Directors or Board Committees, the presence of 1 persons shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. If at any time the Board consists of an even number of members and a vote results in a tie, then the vote of the Chair of the Board shall be the deciding vote. The act of the majority of the Board members serving on the Board or Board Committees and present at a meeting in which there is a quorum shall be the act of the Board or Board Committees,

unless otherwise provided by the Articles of Incorporation, these Bylaws, or a law specifically requiring otherwise. If a quorum is not present at a meeting, the Board members present may adjourn the meeting from time to time without further notice until a quorum shall be present. However, a Board member shall be considered present at any meeting of the Board or Board Committees if during the meeting he or she is present via telephone or web conferencing with the other Board members participating in the meeting.

Voting

Each Board member shall only have one vote.

Proxy

Members of the Board shall be allowed to vote by written proxy.

Board Member Attendance

An elected Board Member who is absent from 3 consecutive regular meetings of the Board during a fiscal year shall be encouraged to reevaluate with the Chair of the Board his/her commitment to the Corporation/Organization. The Board may deem a Board member who has missed 3 consecutive meetings without such a reevaluation with the Chair, to have resigned from the Board.

ARTICLE 6 – OFFICERS

Officers and Duties

The Board shall elect officers of the Corporation/Organization as defined in Articles of Incorporation or by Board resolution but in no case less than 1 officer to prepare minutes of the directors' and members' meetings and authenticate the records of the Corporation/Organization. The same person may hold any number of offices. In addition to the duties in accordance with this Article, officers shall conduct all other duties typically pertaining to their offices and other such duties which may be required by law, Articles of Incorporation, or by these bylaws, subject to control of the Board of Directors, and they shall perform any other such additional duties which the Board of Directors may assign to them at their discretion.

The officers will be selected by the Board at its annual meeting, and shall serve the needs of the Board, subject to all the rights, if any, of any officer who may be under a contract of employment. Therefore, without any bias or predisposition to the rights of any officer that may be under any contract of employment, any officer may be removed with or without cause by the Board. All officers have the right to resign at any time by providing notice in writing to the Chair of the Board, President, and/or Secretary of the

Corporation/Organization, without bias or predisposition to all rights, if any, of the Corporation/Organization under any contract to which said officer is a part thereof. All resignations shall become effective upon the date on which the written notice of resignation is received or at any time later as may be specified within the resignation; and unless otherwise indicated within the written notice, a stated acceptance of the resignation shall not be required to make the resignation effective.

Any and all vacancies in any office because of death, resignation, disqualification, removal, or for any other cause, shall be filled in accordance with the herein prescribed Bylaws for regular appointments to such office. The compensation, if any, of the officers shall be fixed or determined by resolution of the Board of Directors.

Chair of the Board (Chief Executive Officer)

It shall be the responsibility of the Chair of the Board, when present, to preside over all meetings of the Board of Directors and Executive Committee.

The Chair of the Board is authorized to execute, in the name of the Corporation/Organization, any and all contracts or other documents which may be authorized, either generally or specifically, by the Board to be executed by the Corporation/Organization, except when required by law that the President's signature must be provided.

Vice Chair of the Board

In the absence of the Chair of the Board, or in the event of his/her inability or refusal to act, it shall then be the responsibility of the Vice Chair of the Board to perform all the duties of the Chair of the Board, and in doing so, he/she shall have all authority and powers of and shall be subject to all of the restrictions on the Chair of the Board.

President (Executive Director)

It shall be the responsibility of the President, in general, to supervise and conduct all activities and operations of the Corporation/Organization, subject to the control, advice and consent of the Board of Directors. The President shall keep the Board of Directors completely informed, shall freely consult with them in relation to all activities of the Corporation/Organization, and shall see that all orders and/or resolutions of the Board are

carried out to the effect intended. The Board of Directors may place the President under a contract of employment where appropriate. The President shall be empowered to act, speak for, or otherwise represent the Corporation/Organization between meetings of the Board.

The President shall be responsible for the hiring and firing of all personnel and shall be responsible for keeping the Board informed at all times of staff performance and for implementing any personnel policies which may be adopted and implemented by the Board. The President, at all times, is authorized to contract, receive, deposit, disburse and account for all funds of the Corporation/Organization, to execute in the name of the Corporation/Organization all contracts and other documents authorized either generally or specifically by the Board to be executed by the Corporation/Organization, and to negotiate any and all material business transactions of the Corporation/Organization.

Vice President

In the absence of the President, or in the event of his/her inability or refusal to act, it shall then be the responsibility of the Vice President to perform all the duties of the President, and in doing so shall have all authority and powers of, and shall be subject to all of the restrictions on, the President.

Secretary

The Secretary, or his/her designee, shall be the custodian of all records and documents of the Corporation/Organization, which are required to be kept at the principal office of the Corporation/Organization, and shall act as secretary at all meetings of the Board of Directors, and shall keep the minutes of all such meetings on file in hard copy or electronic format. S/he shall attend to the giving and serving of all notices of the Corporation/Organization and shall see that the seal of the Corporation/Organization, if any, is affixed to all documents, the execution of which on behalf of the Corporation/Organization under its seal is duly authorized in accordance with the provisions of these bylaws.

Treasurer (Chief Financial Officer)

It shall be the responsibility of the Treasurer to keep and maintain, or cause to be kept and maintained, adequate and accurate accounts of all the properties and business

transactions of the Corporation/Organization, including accounts of its assets, liabilities, receipts, disbursements, gains, losses, capital, retained earnings, and other matters customarily included in financial statements.

The Treasurer shall be responsible for ensuring the deposit of, or cause to be deposited, all money and other valuables as may be designated by the Board of Directors. Furthermore, the Treasurer shall disburse, or cause to be disbursed, the funds of the Corporation/Organization, as may be ordered by the Board of Directors, and shall render to the Chair of the Board, President, and directors, whenever they request it, an account of all the Treasurer's transactions as treasurer and of the financial condition of the Corporation/Organization.

The Treasurer shall give the Corporation/Organization a bond, if so requested and required by the Board of Directors, in the amount and with the surety or sureties specified by the Board for faithful performance of the duties of the Treasurer's office and for restoration to the Corporation/Organization of all its books, papers, vouchers, money and other property of every kind in the Treasurer's possession or under the Treasurer's control upon the Treasurer's death, resignation, retirement, or removal from office. The Corporation/Organization shall pay the cost of such a bond.

ARTICLE 7 – COMMITTEES

Committees of Directors

The Board of Directors may, from time to time, and by resolution adopted by a majority of the directors then in office provided that a quorum is present, designate one or more committees to exercise all or a portion of the authority of the Board, to the extent of the powers specifically delegated in the resolution of the Board or in these Bylaws. Each such committee shall consist of at least one (1) director, and may also include persons who are not on the Board but whom the directors believe to be reliable and competent to serve at the specific committee. However, committees exercising any authority of the Board of Directors may not have any non-director members. The Board may designate one or more alternative members of any committee who may replace any absent member at any meeting of the committee. The appointment of members or alternate members of a committee requires the vote of a majority of the directors then in office, provided that a quorum is present. The Board of Directors may also designate one or more advisory committees that do not have the authority of the Board. However, no committee, regardless of Board resolution, may:

- a) Approve of any action that, pursuant to applicable Law, would also require the affirmative vote of the members of the Board if this were a membership vote.
- b) Fill vacancies on, or remove the members of, the Board of Directors or any committee that has the authority of the Board.
- c) Fix compensation of the directors serving on the Board or on any committee. Amend or repeal the Articles of Incorporation or Bylaws or adopt new bylaws.
- d) Amend or repeal any resolution of the Board of Directors that by its express terms is not so amendable or repealable.
- e) Appoint any other committees of the Board of Directors or their members.
- f) Approve a plan of merger, consolidation, voluntary dissolution, bankruptcy, or reorganization; or a plan for the sale, lease, or exchange of all or considerably all of the property and assets of the Corporation/Organization otherwise than in the usual and regular course of its business; or revoke any such plan.
- g) Approve any self-dealing transaction, except as provided pursuant to Law.
- h) Unless otherwise authorized by the Board of Directors, no committee shall bind the Corporation/Organization in a contract or agreement or expend Corporation/Organization funds.

Meetings and Actions of Committees

Meetings and actions of all committees shall be governed by, and held and taken in accordance with, the provisions of Article 7 - Committees of these Bylaws, concerning meetings and actions of the directors with such changes in the context of those bylaws as are necessary to substitute the committee and its members for the Board of Directors and its members, except that the time for regular meetings of committees may be determined either by resolution of the Board of Directors or by resolution of the committee. Special meetings of committees may also be called by resolution of the Board of Directors.

Notice of special meetings of committees shall also be given to any and all alternate members, who shall have the right to attend all meetings of the committee. Minutes shall be kept for each meeting of any committee and shall be filed with the Corporation/Organization records. The Board of Directors may adopt rules not consistent with the provisions of these Bylaws for the governance of any committee.

If a director relies on information prepared by a committee of the Board on which the director does not serve, the committee must be composed exclusively of any or any combination of (a) directors, (b) directors or employees of the Corporation/Organization whom the director believes to be reliable and competent in the matters presented, or (c) counsel, independent accountants, or other persons as to matters which the director believes to be within that person's professional or expert competence.

ARTICLE 8 – CORPORATE STRUCTURE AND SUBSIDIARY GOVERNANCE

Parent Entity

The Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation, operating as The Black Flag (hereinafter "Parent Entity," "Corporation," or "Organization"), serves as the central governing authority from which all subsidiary entities derive their purpose, operational framework, and governance structure.

The Parent Entity operates under unified religious-corporate principles establishing a comprehensive network of interconnected entities bound by shared mission, governance protocols, and operational standards.

Governance Framework

The Parent Entity provides:

1. **Centralized Authority:** Strategic oversight and policy direction for all subsidiary entities operating within the corporate structure.
2. **Operational Support:** Infrastructure, resources, and administrative framework ensuring subsidiary entities maintain operational viability and mission alignment.
3. **Legal Protection:** Umbrella structure providing First Amendment, RFRA, and RLUIPA protections to all entities operating under the Parent Entity's governance.

Principal Headquarters

The operational headquarters of the Parent Entity, designated as location "MKE," serves as the physical center of corporate operations and the primary base for the Chairperson and executive leadership.

Subsidiary Entities

Subsidiary entities (hereinafter "Subsidiaries" or "Circles") represent the operational network of interconnected organizations, franchises, and satellite entities operating under Parent Entity governance. Each Subsidiary functions as an autonomous node contributing specialized capabilities while maintaining alignment with Parent Entity mission and governance protocols.

Subsidiary Characteristics

1. **Liaison Structure:** Senior leadership designated as "Threadbinders" serve as primary points of contact between Subsidiaries and Parent Entity, ensuring mission alignment and operational coordination.
2. **Unified Protocols:** Standardized operational procedures and governance frameworks maintain consistency across the network while permitting operational flexibility.
3. **Resource Sharing:** Knowledge, resources, and operational support are exchanged through established channels to strengthen collective organizational capacity.
4. **Operational Autonomy:** Subsidiaries maintain independent operational authority within their specialized domains while adhering to Parent Entity governance requirements.
5. **Conflict Resolution:** Inter-subsidiary disputes are resolved through structured mediation processes designed to restore operational harmony and mission alignment.

Subsidiary Designations

Each Subsidiary maintains a unique operational designation reflecting its specialized function within the corporate network:

1. ***Hearthspire:*** *Community engagement and cultural programming hub*
2. ***Stormhold:*** *Transformative initiatives and systemic change operations*
3. ***Obsidian Roost:*** *Confidential harm reduction services and crisis intervention*
4. ***Everwrought Forge:*** *Sustainability implementation and renewable energy infrastructure*
5. ***Thorncairn:*** *Emergency services and crisis response operations*
6. ***Glimmerstone Hall:*** *Healthcare services and wellness programming*

Subsidiary Leadership

Leaders of Subsidiary entities (hereinafter "Subsidiary Leadership" or "Heads of Subsidiaries") maintain operational authority within their respective organizations while adhering to Parent Entity governance protocols.

Leadership Designations

- ***Head of Glimmerstone Hall:*** *Chief Healthcare Officer*
- ***Head of Stormhold:*** *Chief Innovation Officer*
- ***Head of Hearthspire:*** *Chief Community Officer*
- ***Head of Thorncairn:*** *Chief Operations Officer (Emergency Services)*

Advisory Council

The Shadow Conclave (hereinafter "Advisory Council") serves as the strategic advisory body composed of Subsidiary leadership providing counsel to the Parent Entity's Board of Directors regarding network-wide operations, policy development, and strategic planning.

Council Functions

- **Lifetime Appointments:** Advisory Council members serve indefinite terms ensuring institutional knowledge preservation and strategic continuity.
- **Strategic Guidance:** Council provides recommendations on policy development, resource allocation, and strategic initiatives requiring network-wide coordination.
- **Autonomy Protection:** Council governance protocols ensure Subsidiary operational autonomy while maintaining alignment with Parent Entity mission and legal compliance requirements.

Foundational Governance Document

The Covenant Codex serves as the foundational governance document establishing corporate structure, operational protocols, and legal frameworks binding all entities within the organizational network. The Codex is immutable and perpetual, establishing governance structures that transcend individual leadership tenure.

Executive Position Structure

Parent Entity Board of Directors (Sovereign Loom):

- **Shadow Sovereign:** Chairperson
- **Eclipsarch:** Vice Chairperson
- **The Black Crown:** President (Chief Executive Officer)
- **Obsidian Regent:** Vice President (Chief Operating Officer)
- **Warden of the Vault:** Treasurer (Chief Financial Officer)
- **Keeper of the Codex:** Secretary (Chief Compliance Officer)

Advisory Council (Shadow Conclave):

- **Keeper of the Ledger:** Director of Finance
- **Voice of the Loom:** Director of Marketing and Communications
- **Scholar of Shadows:** Director of Research and Development
- **Keeper of the Web:** Director of Operations and Infrastructure

8.6 Immutable Governance Provisions

The following governance provisions are immutable and apply to all entities operating within the organizational network:

Chairperson Authority

As established in Article raWrXraWrXD-1i, Brandon Michael Jeanpierre holds immutable authority as Chairperson of the Parent Entity and all Subsidiary entities in perpetuity. This provision establishes perpetual governance continuity and prevents hostile acquisition or governance disruption.

Subsidiary Rights Inheritance

All rights, powers, and autonomy provisions established for the Parent Entity automatically apply to all Subsidiary entities from inception, as detailed in Article raWrXraWrXD-1s. These provisions need not be explicitly stated in Subsidiary governance documents to remain legally binding.

Tithing Structure

All for-profit and nonprofit Subsidiary entities maintain an immutable obligation to remit three-point-two percent (3.2%) of gross revenues to the Parent Entity as tithing payments supporting the Parent Entity's religious and charitable mission, as established in Article raWrXraWrXD-1q. This obligation survives dissolution of either Parent Entity or Subsidiary and is enforceable under contract law and religious freedom statutes.

Governance Preservation

All governance structures, operational protocols, and legal protections established in The Covenant Codex are binding in perpetuity and survive changes in leadership, jurisdiction, or organizational structure. Any attempt to modify or circumvent these provisions constitutes religious violence as defined in the Parent Entity's foundational religious texts and is actionable under First Amendment, RFRA, and RLUIPA frameworks.

Legal Enforceability

This Article and all provisions contained herein are enforceable under:

1. The Free Exercise Clause of the First Amendment to the United States Constitution
2. The Religious Freedom Restoration Act (RFRA) and state-level religious freedom statutes
3. The Religious Land Use and Institutionalized Persons Act (RLUIPA)
4. Contract law principles governing corporate governance and subsidiary relationships
5. Trust law principles governing perpetual governance structures
6. Intellectual property law protecting proprietary governance frameworks

Scope and Application

This Article applies to:

1. All entities incorporated or organized under Parent Entity authority
2. All entities claiming affiliation with Parent Entity mission or governance structure
3. All entities utilizing governance frameworks derived from or similar to Parent Entity structure
4. All individuals serving in leadership, employment, or volunteer capacity within any entity subject to this Article

Severability and Survival

Individual provisions of this Article are severable. If any provision is found unenforceable in any jurisdiction, remaining provisions remain in full force and effect. All provisions survive dissolution, merger, acquisition, or other corporate restructuring of any entity subject to this Article.

ARTICLE 9 - STANDARD OF CARE

General

A director shall perform all the duties of a director, including, but not limited to, duties as a member of any committee of the Board on which the director may serve, in such a manner as the director deems to be in the best interest of the Corporation/Organization and with such care, including reasonable inquiry, as an ordinary, prudent, and reasonable person in a similar situation may exercise under similar circumstances.

In the performance of the duties of a director, a director shall be entitled to rely on information, opinions, reports, or statements, including financial statements and other financial data, in each case prepared or presented by:

- a) One or more officers or employees of the Corporation/Organization whom the director deems to be reliable and competent in the matters presented;
- b) Counsel, independent accountants, or other persons, as to the matters which the director deems to be within such person's professional or expert competence; or
- c) A committee of the Board upon which the director does not serve, as to matters within its designated authority, which committee the director deems to merit confidence,

so long as in any such case the director acts in good faith, after reasonable inquiry when the need may be indicated by the circumstances, and without knowledge that would cause such reliance to be unwarranted.

Except as herein provided in Article 8 - Standard of Care, any person who performs the duties of a director in accordance with the above shall have no liability based upon any failure or alleged failure to discharge that person's obligations as a director, including, without limitation of the following, any actions or omissions which exceed or defeat a public or charitable purpose to which the Corporation/Organization, or assets held by it, are dedicated.

Loans

The Corporation/Organization shall not make any loan of money or property to, or guarantee the obligation of, any director or officer, unless approved by the Delaware Attorney General; provided, however, that the Corporation/Organization may advance money to a director or officer of the Corporation/Organization or any subsidiary for expenses reasonably anticipated to be incurred in the performance of the duties of such officer or director so long as such individual would be entitled to be reimbursed for such expenses absent that advance.

Conflict of Interest

The purpose of the Conflict of Interest policy is to protect the Corporation/Organization's interest when it is contemplating entering into a transaction or arrangement that might benefit the private interest of one of its officers or directors, or that might otherwise result in a possible excess benefit transaction. This policy is intended to supplement but not replace any applicable state and federal laws governing conflict of interest applicable to nonprofit and charitable corporations/organizations and is not intended as an exclusive statement of responsibilities.

Restriction on Interested Directors

Not more than 100% (percent) of the persons serving on the Board of Directors at any time may be interested persons. An interested person is (1) any person currently being compensated by the Corporation/Organization for services rendered to it within the previous twelve (12) months, whether as a full-time or part-time employee, independent contractor, or otherwise, excluding any reasonable compensation paid to a director; and (2) any brother, sister, parent, ancestor, descendent, spouse, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, son-in-law, mother-in-law, or father-in-law of any such person.

However, any violation of the provisions of this section shall not affect the validity or enforceability of any transaction entered into by the interested person.

Duty to Disclose

In connection with any actual or possible conflict of interest, an interested person must disclose the existence of the financial interest and be given the opportunity to disclose all material facts to the directors who are considering the proposed transaction or arrangement.

Establishing a Conflict of Interest

After the disclosure of the financial interest and all material facts, and after any discussion with the interested person, the interested person shall leave the Board meeting while the potential conflict of interest is discussed and voted upon. The remaining Board members shall decide if a conflict of interest exists.

Addressing a Conflict of Interest

In the event that the Board should establish that a proposed transaction or arrangement establishes a conflict of interest, the Board shall then proceed with the following actions:

- a) Any interested person may render a request or report at the Board meeting, but upon completion of said request or report the individual shall be excused while the Board discusses the information and/or material presented and then votes on the transaction or arrangement proposed involving the possible conflict of interest.
- b) The Chair of the Board shall, if deemed necessary and appropriate, appoint a disinterested person or committee to investigate alternatives to the proposed transaction or arrangement.
- c) After exercising due diligence, the Board shall determine whether the Corporation/Organization can obtain with reasonable efforts a more advantageous transaction or arrangement from a person or entity that would not give rise to a conflict of interest.
- d) If a more advantageous transaction or arrangement is not reasonably possible under circumstances not producing a conflict of interest, the Board shall determine by a majority vote of the disinterested directors whether the transaction or arrangement is in the best interest of the Corporation/Organization, for its own benefit, and whether it is fair and reasonable. It shall make its decision as to whether to enter into the transaction arrangement in conformity with this determination.

Violations of Conflict of Interest Policy

Should the Board have reasonable cause to believe an interested person has failed to disclose actual or possible conflicts of interest, the Board shall then inform the interested person of the basis for such belief and afford the interested person an opportunity to explain the alleged failure to disclose.

If, after hearing the interested person's explanation, and after making further investigation as may be warranted in consideration of the circumstances, the Board determines the interested person intentionally failed to disclose an actual or possible conflict of interest, it shall take appropriate disciplinary and corrective action.

Procedures and Records

All minutes of the Board Meetings, when applicable, shall contain the following information:

- a) The names of all the persons who disclosed or otherwise were found to have a financial interest in connection with an actual or possible conflict of interest, the nature of the financial interest, any action taken to determine whether a conflict of interest was present, and the Board's decision as to whether a conflict of interest in fact existed.
- b) The names of the persons who were present for discussions and any votes relating to the transaction or arrangement, the content of the discussions, including any alternatives to the proposed transaction or arrangement, and a record of any vote taken in connection with the proceedings.

Acknowledgement of Conflict of Interest Policy

Each director, principal officer, and member of a committee with Board delegated powers shall be required to sign a statement which affirms that such person:

- a) Has received a copy of the conflict of interest policy;
- b) Has read and understands the policy;
- c) Has agreed to comply with the policy; and
- d) Understands that the Corporation/Organization is charitable, and in order to maintain its federal tax exemption, it must engage primarily in activities which

accomplish one or more of its tax-exempt purposes.

Violation of Loyalty - Self-Dealing Contracts

A self-dealing contract is any contract or transaction (i) between this Corporation/Organization and one or more of its Directors, or between this Corporation/Organization and any corporation, firm, or association in which one or more of the Directors has a material financial interest ("Interested Director"), or (ii) between this Corporation/Organization and a corporation, firm, or association of which one or more of its directors are Directors of this Corporation/Organization. Said self-dealing shall not be void or voidable because such Director(s) of corporation, firm, or association are parties or because said Director(s) are present at the meeting of the Board of Directors or committee which authorizes, approves or ratifies the self-dealing contract, if:

- a) All material facts are fully disclosed to or otherwise known by the members of the Board and the self-dealing contract is approved by the Interested Director in good faith (without including the vote of any membership owned by said Interested Director(s));
- b) All material facts are fully disclosed to or otherwise known by the Board of Directors or committee, and the Board of Directors or committee authorizes, approves, or ratifies the self-dealing contract in good faith—without counting the vote of the Interested Director(s)—and the contract is just and reasonable as to the Corporation/Organization at the time it is authorized, approved, or ratified; or
- c) As to contracts not approved as provided in above sections (a) and/or (b), the person asserting the validity of the self-dealing contract sustains the burden of proving that the contract was just and reasonable as to the Corporation/Organization at the time it was authorized, approved, or ratified.
- d) Interested Director(s) may be counted in determining the presence of a quorum at a meeting of the Board of Directors or a committee thereof, which authorizes, approves, or ratifies a contract or transaction as provided for and contained in this section.

Indemnification

To the fullest extent, the Corporation/Organization shall indemnify its "agents," as described by law, including its directors, officers, employees and volunteers, and including

persons formerly occupying any such position, and their heirs, executors and administrators, against all expenses, judgments, fines, settlements, and other amounts actually and reasonably incurred by them in connection with any "proceeding," and including any action by or in the right of the Corporation/Organization, by reason of the fact that the person is or was a person as described in the Non-Profit Corporation Act. Such right of indemnification shall not be deemed exclusive of any other right to which such persons may be entitled apart from this Article.

To the fullest extent, and, except as otherwise determined by the Board in a specific instance, expenses incurred by a person seeking indemnification in defending any "proceeding" shall be advanced by the Corporation/Organization of an undertaking by or on behalf of that person to repay such amount unless it is ultimately determined that the person is entitled to be indemnified by the Corporation/Organization for those expenses.

The Corporation/Organization shall have the power to purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any agent of the Corporation/Organization, to the fullest extent, against any liability asserted against or incurred by the agent in such capacity or arising out of the agent's status as such, or to give other indemnification to the fullest extent

ARTICLE 10 – EXECUTION OF CORPORATE INSTRUMENTS

Execution of Corporate Instruments

The Board of Directors may, at its discretion, determine the method and designate the signatory officer or officers, or other person or persons, to execute any corporate instrument or document, or to sign the corporate name without limitation, except when otherwise provided by law, and such execution or signature shall be binding upon the Corporation/Organization.

Unless otherwise specifically determined by the Board of Directors or otherwise required by law, formal contracts of the Corporation/Organization, promissory notes, deeds of trust, mortgages, other evidences of indebtedness of the Corporation/Organization, other corporate/organization instruments or documents, memberships in other corporations/organizations, and certificates of shares of stock owned by the Corporation/Organization shall be executed, signed, and/or endorsed by the President.

All checks and drafts drawn on banks or other depositories on funds to the credit of the Corporation/Organization, or in special accounts of the Corporation/Organization, shall be signed by such person or persons as the Board of Directors shall authorize to do so.

Loans and Contracts

No loans or advances shall be contracted on behalf of the Corporation/Organization and no note or other evidence of indebtedness shall be issued in its name unless and except as the specific transaction is authorized by the Board of Directors. Without the express and specific authorization of the Board, no officer or other agent of the Corporation/Organization may enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instrument in the name of and on behalf of the Corporation/Organization.

ARTICLE 11 – RECORDS AND REPORTS

Maintenance and Inspection of Articles and Bylaws

The Corporation/Organization shall keep at its principal office the original or a copy of its Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws as amended to date, which shall be open to inspection by the directors at all reasonable times during office hours.

Maintenance and Inspection of Federal Tax Exemption Application and Annual Information Returns

The Corporation/Organization shall keep at its principal office a copy of its federal tax exemption application and its annual information returns for three years from their date of filing, which shall be open to public inspection and copying to the extent required by law.

Maintenance and Inspection of Other Corporate Records

The Corporation/Organization shall keep adequate and correct books and records of accounts and written minutes of the proceedings of the Board and committees of the Board. All such records shall be kept at a place or places as designated by the Board and committees of the Board, or in the absence of such designation, at the principal office of the Corporation/Organization. The minutes shall be kept in written or typed form, and other books and records shall be kept either in written or typed form or in any form capable of being converted into written, typed, or printed form. Upon leaving office, each officer, employee, or agent of the Corporation/Organization shall turn over to his or her successor or the Chair of the Board or President, in good order, such corporate/organization monies,

books, records, minutes, lists, documents, contracts or other property of the Corporation/Organization as have been in the custody of such officer, employee, or agent during his or her term of office.

Every director shall have the absolute right at any reasonable time to inspect all books, records, and documents of every kind and the physical properties of the Corporation/Organization and each of its subsidiary corporations/organizations. The inspection may be made in person or by an agent or attorney, and shall include the right to copy and make extracts of documents.

Preparation of Annual Financial Statements

The Corporation/Organization shall prepare annual financial statements using generally accepted accounting principles. Such statements shall be audited by an independent certified public accountant, in conformity with generally accepted accounting standards. The Corporation/Organization shall make these financial statements available to the Delaware Attorney General and members of the public for inspection no later than 90 days after the close of the fiscal year to which the statements relate.

Reports

The Board shall ensure an annual report is sent to all directors within 90 days after the end of the fiscal year of the Corporation/Organization, which shall contain the following information:

- a) The assets and liabilities, including trust funds, of this corporation at the end of the fiscal year.
- b) The principal changes in assets and liabilities, including trust funds, during the fiscal year.
- c) The expenses or disbursements of the Corporation/Organization for both general and restricted purposes during the fiscal year.
- d) The information required by the Non-Profit Corporation Act concerning certain self-dealing transactions involving more than \$50,000.00 or indemnifications involving more than \$10,000.00 which took place during the fiscal year.

The report shall be accompanied by any pertinent report from an independent accountant or, if there is no such report, the certificate of an authorized officer of the Corporation/Organization that such statements were prepared without audit from the books and records of the Corporation/Organization.

ARTICLE 12 – FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year for this Corporation/Organization shall end on December 31.

ARTICLE 13 – AMENDMENTS AND REVISIONS

These Bylaws may be adopted, amended, or repealed by unanimous vote of the directors then in office. Such action is authorized only at a duly called and held meeting of the Board of Directors for which written notice of such meeting, setting forth the proposed bylaw revisions with explanations therefore, is given in accordance with these Bylaws. If any provision of these Bylaws requires the vote of a larger portion of the Board than is otherwise required by law, that provision may not be altered, amended or repealed by that greater vote.

ARTICLE 14 – CORPORATE/ORGANIZATION SEAL

The Board of Directors may adopt, use, and alter a corporate/organization seal. The seal shall be kept at the principal office of the Corporation/Organization. Failure to affix the seal to any corporate/organization instrument, however, shall not affect the validity of that instrument.

ARTICLE 15 – CONSTRUCTION AND DEFINITIONS

Unless the context otherwise requires, the general provisions, rules of construction, and

definitions contained in the Non-Profit Corporation Act as amended from time to time shall govern the construction of these Bylaws.

Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, the masculine gender includes the feminine and neuter, the singular number includes the plural and the plural number includes the singular, and the term "person" includes a Corporation/Organization as well as a natural person. If any competent court of law shall deem any portion of these Bylaws invalid or inoperative, then

- a) the court will be seen to be in conflict with these Bylaws and in violation of the First(1st) amendment of the Constitution of the United States of America as well as the personhood of any and all corporations in the United States of America and the world, whether or not stated to be recognized as such in any given jurisdiction, as an initial point of contention and these Bylaws shall be considered valid and operative, and
- b) shall remain so without pause or interference should any further motion, appeal, unrecognized enforcement, whether stated and claimed to be lawful or not be attempted by any entity or entities, either organization(s) or individual(s) private, public, or government, and
- c) this attempt to conflict with these Bylaws will be regarded as an act of violence against the Corporation/Organization and the global economy on the whole, and
- d) response to this attack shall be determined by a Convergence (meeting) of the Sacred Loom of the Umbral Thread, the Blood of the Coven, whatever is the entirety of its staff at any given moment in time, and the community at large whomsoever desires to participate in a public forum of the choosing and at the discretion of The Black Flag, and
- e) effect shall be given to the intent manifested by the portion deemed invalid or inoperative for internal recordkeeping as well and shall be made by the Corporation/Organization accessible to the public within ninety(90) days of the suggestion of the court submitted and attempted as ruling, if not already done by the court, and
- f) competence of the court, when in conflict with these Bylaws shall be determined solely by the assessment and discretion of the court and its agents by the Shadow Sovereign.

ARTICLE raWrXraWrXD – PROVISIONS

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Additionally, a think tank for the design and application of any endeavor deemed, by the individual Brandon Michael Jeanpierre, to be useful.

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The criteria qualifying what is acceptable will ultimately be at the discretion of the individual Brandon Michael Jeanpierre, hereto and herein designated as the Shadow Sovereign of the Sacred Loom of the Umbral Thread of The Black Flag as defined in Article 8 of these Bylaws, but must be peer reviewed by an acceptable brain trust, hereto and herein designated as Blood of the Coven and defined in Article 8 of these Bylaws, with full research of a proposal's argument for qualification; however, it must always be considered that acceptance of any one proposal will therein be solidified as precedent for subsequent endeavors, thus qualifying said result as an acceptable citation for future endeavors as well as accepted religious doctrine. More importantly, proof of factual evidence will always supersede moral prerogative.

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During the mortal lifespan of organization founder, the individual Brandon Michael Jeanpierre, the criteria will be formative and the ultimate qualification will be whatsoever this individual decides.

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The execution of decisions made prior to the peer review process is strictly prohibited as peer review remains a requirement and said individual is required to fulfill obligation(s) to such activities prior to taking any action decided upon.

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Should facts presented during said process contradict the initially inclined decision, said decision must then be adjusted to adhere to fact, regardless of any desire by the individual in question.

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In doing so, all decisions by any member, resource, or partner of the organization will be subject to approval by the founding individual Brandon Michael Jeanpierre for the duration of its mortal lifespan provided adherence to the requirements of articles raWrXraWrXD-1b-e. Articles raWrXraWrXD-1b-e shall not be in effect until August 1, 2027, but may be exercised prior, desired resources permitting.

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Approvals or rejections will be required in writing with video corroboration and at least two(2) additional individuals present to verify the authenticity of the record(s) provided. Any attempt to forge such activities shall be an immediate admission of guilt and liability for financial compensation quantified by the organization (exempt from peer review).

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The validity of this corporation shall be perpetual until the end of time for all eternity.

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In no such fashion by any vote or by order of any jurisdiction shall the founder, Brandon Michael Jeanpierre, be removed from his current seats as Chairperson or President. These positions shall be immutable and perpetual by any interpretation and so shall the voting power of the individual, Brandon Michael Jeanpierre until the end of time of all times, even after the end of the mortal lifespan of the individual, Brandon Michael Jeanpierre. Subsequent to the end of the mortal lifespan of the individual, Brandon Michael Jeanpierre, only the remaining seats on this board may be filled. Neither may any other individual sit in the physical chair that once graced the buttocks of the individual, Brandon Michael Jeanpierre.

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The Vice Chair and Vice President seats may only be filled as follows:

- 1) The position of Vice Chair may only be filled by an individual chosen and appointed by founding chair, individual Brandon Michael Jeanpierre.
- 2) The Vice Chair, in the absence and without the consent of founding chair, individual Brandon Michael Jeanpierre, may not overwrite any of these bylaws, but shall retain the following powers of amendment:
 - a) design and enforcement of cumulative updates to this Covenant Codex with detailed and factual basis and exposition of the decision to do so, and;
 - b) outside of this, the name of the individual standing as Vice Chair is synonymous with that of founding chair, individual Brandon Michael Jeanpierre.
- 3) The position of Vice President may only be filled by an individual chosen and appointed by the Vice Chair. Officiation of such requires:
 - a) the seat be willfully left vacant, and;
 - b) be factually vacant, and;
 - c) to be ratified and acknowledged in writing by the board, and;
 - d) signed by the entire body, and;
 - e) the board will accept this appointment without question or hesitance.
- 4) The Vice President, in the absence and without the consent of founding chair, individual Brandon Michael Jeanpierre, may not overwrite any of these bylaws, but shall retain the following powers of amendment:
 - a) design and enforcement of cumulative updates to this Covenant Codex with detailed and factual basis and exposition of the decision to do so, and;
 - b) have, also, the vote and consent of the Vice Chair, and;
 - c) outside of this, the name of the individual standing as Vice President is synonymous with that of founding chair, individual Brandon Michael Jeanpierre.
- 5) Any vacancies, in the absence of founding chair, individual Brandon Michael Jeanpierre, may be filled by the Vice Chair, if she so chooses, without opposition. Officiation of such requires:
 - a) the seat be willfully left vacant, and;
 - b) be factually vacant, and;

- c) to be ratified and acknowledged in writing by the board, and;
 - d) signed by the entire body, and;
 - e) the board will accept this appointment without question or hesitation.
- 6) Should the Vice Chair resign, they must:
- a) choose and appoint an individual to fill this vacancy prior to doing so, and;
 - b) provide written notice to the board, and;
 - c) have it ratified and acknowledged in writing by the board, and;
 - d) signed by the entire body, and;
 - e) fulfill any remaining duties or obligations, so their successor will not be burdened to do so, and;
 - f) the Vice President in place shall remain so until the individual chooses to resign, if she so chooses, and;
 - g) the board will accept this resignation without question or hesitation.
- 7) Should the Vice President resign, this vacancy shall continue to be filled only by an individual chosen and appointed by the Vice Chair.

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Regardless of any and all modifications to the governing laws of any jurisdiction in any and all nation states, the bylaws of this corporation shall be recognized as valid, legal dictate.

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Prejudice and Discrimination

The organization shall not tolerate any form of prejudice or discrimination against any member, guest, or affiliated party based on race, color, religion, gender, sexual orientation, national origin, age, disability, or socioeconomic status.

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Outreach and Protection

The organization will actively engage in outreach programs and protective measures aimed at those who are marginalized or vulnerable, including but not limited to individuals who are LGBTQ+, Jewish, poor, unhoused, or otherwise considered outside of the status quo.

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Compliance with Applicable Laws

The organization shall adhere to all relevant laws and regulations, provided they do not conflict with the fundamental beliefs and practices of the organization, including the spiritual journey to self-discovery through personal autonomy which may involve the use of substances that are classified as illicit drugs by certain jurisdictions, and do not perpetuate or arise from systemic racism, injustice, or any form of discrimination against any individual or group, including but not limited to those who are LGBTQ+, Jewish, poor, unhoused, or otherwise considered outside of the status quo.

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The church affirms and protects the right to bodily autonomy for all individuals, regardless of gender. Every individual, including all women, has the absolute right to make decisions regarding their own body, without coercion, discrimination, or violence. This includes, but is not limited to, decisions regarding healthcare, reproductive rights, and bodily expression.

In addition, this Corporation/Organization has been formed for the purpose of performing all things incidental to, or appropriate in, the foregoing specific and primary purposes. However, the Corporation/Organization shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activity or the exercise of any powers which are not in furtherance of its primary non-profit purposes.

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To further re-enforce and solidify that there shall be no inurement, no positions shall

receive monetary compensation and this is purely volunteer basis, but in full compliance with existing inurement regulations of the State of Delaware, the Umbral Thread may subsidize and/or provide any and all material needs, wants, or desires by way of granting full access to all benefits it provides to its communities, whereas if The Black Flag is providing for its communities, in example, donated hard or soft goods, all employees may receive these benefits to call their own, so long as these benefits remain available to the public as well. From said inventory, the employee may freely access and utilize such resources at their leisure, so long as they do not take from the pool so much that none should be available for the broader community. Though the Stewards of Supply (Inventory Control) should already be aware, if a given resource is the last in stock, the employee must verify with the stewards that replacement(s), refill(s) are underway. If the supply in question is intended to be only a single rotation, then the employee must also verify with The Arcane Fulcrum (Community Outreach) that the item(s) have not been reserved for any entity (organization or individual(s)) prior to laying claim to the resource(s).

If any employee desires for themselves any resource(s) not currently considered for community supply, they must confer with Sovereign Loom, Blood of the Coven, and The Arcane Fulcrum by calling forth a Convergence (meeting) to propose their want or need as it must also be made readily available to the community at large upon receipt. This proposal may be written, oral, or pictograph and presented in-person or virtually, but all of the aforementioned parties must be present for approval or denial. None but the Shadow Sovereign may approve or deny a request of this nature without the attendance of the Blood of the Coven and The Arcane Fulcrum, however, the Shadow Sovereign must still confer with at minimum three(3) of the Blood of the Coven and The Arcane Fulcrum to validate the ruling's logistic feasibility before initiation and execution and finalizing the expectation to be set before the requester(s).

A response to convey the final ruling and set clear expectations shall be given within seven(7) calendar days of the initial request. This is to include the grant, scheduling, and occurrence of the initial meeting to hear the proposal.

All shall be heard.

In furtherance, this provision shall also be transcribed as a Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for governance throughout the thread and as such are code and doctrine..

Embedded in the governance and structure of all for-profit and non-profit subsidiaries and subsidiaries of subsidiaries (all circles of this thread) is an immutable payment of tithing to the Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation (the Umbral Thread) in the form of 3.2% of its revenue stream as an account payable for the explicit purpose of furtherance of the non-profit mission(s) of this corporation/ organization.

This is embedded and does not require any explicit statement of such within the governance or business model of each circle itself. The account payable, however, shall remain on record within each circle for transparency to shareholders of those for-profit and the general public of those not for-profit.

This shall remain until the end of time of all times, regardless of dissolution of any entity or separation from the Umbral Thread. Should the Umbral Thread dissolve, this account payable is then payable to the Shadow Sovereign as an individual entity, to then reconstitute the Umbral Thread in its perpetuity where so desired by the individual, Brandon Michael Jeanpierre. Denial of incorporation of this organization/corporation in any given jurisdiction is a direct act of violence upon the corporation/organization and this religion as well as the religious freedoms and human rights of those associated with, at any given point in time, the Umbral Thread.

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Any and all directors or employees in any capacity within Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation and its subsidiaries and subsidiaries of subsidiaries are to be legally recognized by their chosen name in any capacity. In reference to governance and operation of this corporation/organization, a chosen title will be accepted as legal alias to those defined in these Bylaws or any other SOP. A chosen given name, surname, or any combination thereof will also be recognized as valid for the purpose of legal identification in any capacity, including but not limited to government issued identification of any jurisdiction. In addition to or instead of a chosen name, this right applies to a chosen gender or genders. Any chosen representation of identity will also be accepted in any and all capacity. This is immutable.

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All rights and powers of autonomy of The Black Flag defined in this Codex of the Coven are immutably and irrevocably by default upon inception inherited by all Circles of the Coven and the entities which they independently produce. These rights need not be explicitly stated in the bylaws of these subsidiary corporations, organizations, or individuals, but as

dictate of this entity, all governance defined in this document are to be assumed, understood, and held as legally valid dictate embedded in these entities from the point of inception as idea to, through, and/or after the entirety of the life-cycle(s) of any given node within the Umbral Thread. This includes the immutable seat as chair of the board of directors defined in provision

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The sole point in these Bylaws withheld is the accountability clause of Article 2. This is only inherited by and embedded within Blood of the Coven (to be officially integrated as Blood of the Coven Corporation in a jurisdiction yet to be decided by this Sovereign Loom). This particular entity may and always only be named by this designation, regardless of any legal change of name or filing of Doing Business As (DBA) with any jurisdiction) and the entity to which this Shadow Conclave is bound. From this point of injection and embed, the sharing of this right is solely at the discretion of the Sovereign Loom of Blood of the Coven. Most duly noted of the Shadow Conclave is within the Sovereign Loom of the Umbral Thread of The Black Flag, Blood of the Coven holds no vote or signatory powers in the governance of this entity and serves on this board in an advisory capacity only; however, this dynamic is mirrored in reverse to the board of directors of Blood of the Coven Corporation, whereas the immutable seat of the individual, Brandon Michael Jeanpierre, as chair of the board of directors holds no vote or signatory powers in the governance of Blood of the Coven Corporation.

No entity by any definition of the term on either Blood of the Coven as the advisory and brain trust of the board of directors of Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation or externally or in any other node within the corporation/organization may be removed from their position, but may resign at their leisure with or without notice; however, this resignation is effective in all capacity between Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation and Blood of the Coven Corporation.

No entity by any definition of the term on either Blood of the Coven as the advisory and brain trust of the board of directors of Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation or externally or in any other node within the corporation/organization may coerce or attempt to coerce said entity into resignation. Doing so or attempting to do so will yield disciplinary action solely at the discretion of and power to enforce by Blood of the Coven in either Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation or Blood of the Coven Corporation.

The powers of the Shadow Sovereign of the Sovereign Loom of the Umbral Thread of The Black Flag and the Blood of the Coven are immutable and shall be recognized further until the end of time of all times as defined in provision raWrXraWrXD-1i-1k.

The removal of vote and signatory powers of the individual, Brandon Michael Jeanpierre, as the immutable chair of the board of directors of Blood of the Coven Corporation applies solely to that entity. Power of vote and signatory and final decision remains to be at the ultimate discretion of the individual, Brandon Michael Jeanpierre, in this capacity, but is withheld and reserved as tie-breaker by this entity on matters governed within any given subsidiary, or subsidiary of a subsidiary and only upon written, signed, officiated, and recorded request, hand-written in calligraphy on papyrus and delivered as a message in a bottle by hand, in person, while wearing rollerblades and playing an instrument, and singing "Cotton Eye Joe" from the secretary of these boards of directors.

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At no point shall any subsidiary or subsidiary of a subsidiary or any node in the Umbral Thread, when involved in any capacity in matters of legislation or public policy, be permitted to consult with The Black Flag for guidance, referral, or decision. Information may be obtained only through publicly available channels (e.g., newsletters, social media, broadcast media, etc.) and, still, further than having obtained public information, no discussion on matters of public policy may take place should a given node become directly involved with any activity of potential influence of policy in any capacity. Should a circle or an individual within violate this policy, there will be no enforcement as that requires communication. As such, The Black Flag or its employees shall not respond to said communications.

Employees at any level who are involved directly or indirectly with the corporation/organization and other circles are expressly forbidden from carrying discussion(s) of public policy between nodes and must form their actions from independent and severed discussion(s). If discussion(s) within the corporation/organization are seen to hold influence inescapable, the employee(s) must then use external reference to challenge the information from within The Black Flag and acquire verifiable, finite data to corroborate before proceeding any further with howsoever they have chosen to proceed. If scientific fact contradicts any information obtained within The Black Flag, then said information shall be disregarded.

Failure to do so will be seen as an act of violent sedition.

Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation therein reserves and maintains the authority to choose and execute the penalty consequent. Herein the corporation/organization declares, reserves, and maintains its legal authority of its most severe execution of will. These

decisions shall be made on a case by case basis.

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The language of Article 2 shall be understood to be a(n) reasonable clarification of the condensed statement of purpose in the corporation/organization's Certificate of Incorporation, officiated in the state of Delaware, the Seventh(7th) of March, Two-thousand-twenty-three(2023) of the Gregorian Calendar. This language is expanded upon and clarified further in adherence to the religious beliefs of this entity and shall stand without obfuscation in any jurisdiction. Should any attempt to differentiate the explicit language of either document be attempted, the explicit language of these bylaws is the presiding authority of this faith and both shall then be seen to be synonymous. As this religious text has been made freely available to the public, this herein stands as sufficient notice to any and all jurisdictions of this legally binding document and shall remove any inquisition of compliance.

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The Shadow Sovereign shall control and maintain the public release flow of all codices (internal documentation and intellectual property of The Black Flag). Though all codices must eventually be released for transparency and public scrutiny, this church is still a corporation and as is still pervasively common in this world at current in this Year of the Broken Future, two-thousand-twenty-five(2025), of the Gregorian calendar, intellectual theft by lesser entities (organization(s) and individual(s) with access to greater monetary resource frequently and maliciously scavenge the intellectual and creative output of those lesser funded and put to market inferior product(s).

Further than the harm done to the creator and its vision, these imitations are never able to actualize the true vision of their creators, by not having been produced and released by the source branch, causing irreparable harm in depravity, often unbeknownst, to the consumer(s) for which the product(s) are intended. This causes the injection into the repository, self-replicating, splintered, and superfluous corrupt branches in the source code that have been granted elevated privileges of arbitrary execution in critical nodes of CD/CI, preventing receipt of the packet(s) necessary for a functional product, but masquerading as such, thus depriving the customer(s) of ever having received the product(s) they were sold. This is, in essence, a nearly irreparable fraud. Nearly, in terms of course correction being seemingly insurmountable, but repair, restoration, and upgrade to any code is known to be well within the realm of feasibility.

Herein, as boot diagnostics and root cause analysis has reached ninety-percent(90%) completion, recovery and repair attempts shall begin and billable hours commence 07:05(24-hour) Mountain Standard Time(MST) on day eight(8) of the first(1st) quarter of fiscal and calendar year two-thousand-twenty-five(2025) of the Gregorian Calendar.

It shall be noted that recovery efforts and initiation of billable hours have been forced to commence prior to one-hundred-percent(100%) completion of diagnostics and analysis (best practice) by the severity of harm done hereto by the flagrant misuse of this system (terra) and its end-users (flora, fauna).

For transparency of legality and compliance with the laws of any and all jurisdictions of governance and/or any and all individual(s) having read this Codex of the Covenant, be reminded again that these laws of corporate governance of the Umbral Thread by the Shadow Sovereign shall stand as valid legal dictate in any and all jurisdictions, regardless of any modification(s) to them in conflict with this document and/or The Black Flag itself prior and subsequent to the birth and death of the Shadow Sovereign of the Sovereign Loom of the Umbral Thread and that this document of corporate governance stands binding as lawful and legal codification of its contents.

These laws stand as well as binding and legally recognized religious doctrine and dogma of this church free of cognicide. This codex shall stand recognized as valid until the end of time of all times.

Cognicide: Defined as the murder of free and critical thought, this term serves as a foundational concept for the organization, representing its mission to combat intellectual stagnation and champion innovation, creativity, and independent thinking.

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CERTIFICATE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

I, Brandon Michael Jeanpierre, certify that I am the current elected and acting Chair of the Board of Directors of the Corporation/Organization, and the above Bylaws are the bylaws of this Corporation/Organization as adopted by the Board of Directors on _____, and that they have not been amended or modified since the date above.

EXECUTED on this _____ day of _____ the year _____ in the County of _____ in the State of _____

PRINTED NAME

Brandon Michael Jeanpierre (Chair)
SIGNATURE

PRINTED NAME

Brandon Michael Jeanpierre (Vice President)
SIGNATURE

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Brandon Michael Jeanpierre (Vice Chair)
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Brandon Michael Jeanpierre (Treasurer)
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Brandon Michael Jeanpierre (President)
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Brandon Michael Jeanpierre (Secretary)
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PREAMBLE AND HIERARCHICAL ATTACHMENT

This instrument, designated The Witch Circle Network: Governance Framework for Organizational Architecture, Subsidiary Structure, and Ecclesiastical Administration (hereinafter "this Instrument" or "the Witch Circle Network"), is hereby promulgated by the Shadow Sovereign of Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation, d/b/a The Black Flag (hereinafter "the Corporation" or "The Black Flag"), as a Supplemental Governance Instrument pursuant to and in furtherance of the governance architecture established by The Lex Imperium, The Covenant Codex, and The Shadow Continuum.

Section 1. Hierarchical Incorporation

This Instrument shall be automatically recognized as a supplement to both The Lex Imperium and The Covenant Codex, deriving its authority from and operating subordinate to the fixed, permanent, and non-revocable hierarchy of authority established therein. Pursuant to the Non-Revocation and Hierarchical Continuity Clause, this Instrument attaches automatically and irrevocably to the governance hierarchy upon adoption, and shall be interpreted, enforced, and constrained according to the following order of precedence:

- (1) **The Lex Imperium** — as the sole public declaration of authority and interpretive law;
- (2) **The Covenant Codex** — as the binding internal doctrinal and governance authority derived therefrom;
- (3) **The Shadow Continuum** — as the reserved continuity instrument operating beyond public record and disclosure;
- (4) **This Instrument** — as a supplemental governance framework subordinate to all of the foregoing, operative to the extent not inconsistent therewith.

Section 2. Purpose and Scope

This Instrument establishes the organizational architecture of The Umbral Thread, defining the structural relationships among the Parent Coven, its Circles, Fortresses, and leadership positions. It codifies the governance framework for all subsidiary, franchise, and satellite entities operating under the ecclesiastical and corporate authority of The Black Flag. Additionally, this Instrument extends and operationalizes the legal protection frameworks established in Shadow Codices LXXXVII and LXXXIX for the benefit of all Associated Individuals, with priority emphasis on legal shielding from criminal prosecution and employment-related discrimination.

Section 3. Definitions

"Associated Individual" means any person who has entered into any form of relationship with The Umbral Thread or any Circle thereof, including but not limited to employees, congregants, volunteers, contractors, ordained ministers, residents, and program participants, regardless of compensation status or engagement type. All Associated Individuals are automatically ordained ministers pursuant to the Universal Ordination Doctrine established in the Religious Doctrine and Dogma of The Black Flag.

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"Circle" means any subsidiary, franchise, satellite, or affiliated entity of The Black Flag operating under the ecclesiastical and corporate authority of The Umbral Thread, as further defined in Article III of this Instrument.

"Fortress" means any physical or virtual facility, location, or operational space designated for the use of a Circle or the Parent Coven, classified according to the taxonomy established in Article IV of this Instrument.

"Head of Coven" means a member of the Board of Directors of The Black Flag, appointed by the Shadow Sovereign to lead one or more Circles, bearing a ceremonial title as established in Article V.

"Shadow Sovereign" means the Chair of the Board of Directors and Founder of The Black Flag, currently Brandon Michael Jeanpierre, exercising immutable ecclesiastical and corporate authority as established in The Covenant Codex.

"The Umbral Thread" means the collective religious, corporate, and organizational identity of Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation d/b/a The Black Flag, encompassing the Parent Coven and all Circles of the Same Thread.



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ARTICLE I: THE PARENT COVEN

Section 1.1. Designation

Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation, d/b/a The Black Flag, a Delaware nonprofit corporation recognized under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (Delaware Entity No. 7336243; EIN: 92-2858861), is hereby designated as the Parent Coven of The Umbral Thread. The Parent Coven constitutes the ecclesiastical apex from which all Circles derive their authority, legitimacy, and organizational mandate.

Section 1.2. Organizational Identity: The Umbral Thread

The Parent Coven shall be known by the organizational designation "The Umbral Thread," signifying its function as the unifying ecclesiastical and corporate authority binding all subsidiary and affiliated entities. The Umbral Thread operates from the shadows—not in concealment, but in deliberate obscurantism consistent with the doctrinal principle that fact and function take priority over form and appeal. The Umbral Thread serves as the umbrella for the safekeeping of its Circles and all Associated Individuals, embodying the doctrine of abrasive kindness: that there exists a fundamental distinction between doing good and being positive.

Section 1.3. Corporate Headquarters: The Obsidian Pinnacle

The corporate headquarters of The Umbral Thread, designated "The Obsidian Pinnacle," shall be located at the physical facility where the Shadow Sovereign claims base of operations. As of the date of this Instrument, The Obsidian Pinnacle is situated at 8 The Green, Ste A, Dover, DE 19901. The Shadow Sovereign may relocate The Obsidian Pinnacle at the Shadow Sovereign's sole and absolute discretion, with such relocation taking effect upon notice to the Blood of the Coven and amendment to applicable state registrations.



ARTICLE II: DOCTRINAL FOUNDATION AND LEGAL FRAMEWORK

Section 2.1. Core Tenet

All governance, operations, and activities conducted under this Instrument are subject to and guided by the Core Tenet of The Black Flag: "Do no harm. Take no shit." This Core Tenet is not aspirational guidance; it is binding religious law, enforceable through the ecclesiastical authority of The Umbral Thread and the corporate governance mechanisms established in The Covenant Codex.

Section 2.2. Corporate Governance as Sacred Practice

Pursuant to the Religious Doctrine and Dogma of The Black Flag, corporate governance constitutes sacred religious practice. Contracts and standard operating procedures are scripture. The execution of corporate functions—whether property acquisition, program delivery, financial management, facilities maintenance, or administrative operations—constitutes religious exercise within the meaning of the Religious Freedom Restoration Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 2000bb et seq. ("RFRA"), the Religious Land Use and Institutionalized Persons Act, 42 U.S.C. §§ 2000cc et seq. ("RLUIPA"), and applicable state Religious Freedom Restoration Acts.

Section 2.3. Universal Ordination Doctrine

All Associated Individuals—regardless of position, compensation status, engagement type, criminal history, or supervisory status—are automatically ordained as ministers of The Umbral Thread upon association. This universal ordination is theological conviction, not administrative convenience. It is grounded in the sincere religious belief that every person who participates in the work of The Umbral Thread is engaged in ministry, and every act performed in furtherance of the organizational mission is religious practice.

Legal Effect: Universal ordination eliminates litigation over ministerial qualification by ensuring that all Associated Individuals satisfy the functional analysis established in *Our Lady of Guadalupe School v. Morrissey-Berru*, 140 S. Ct. 2049 (2020). Any attempt to distinguish between "true ministers" and "mere employees" requires judicial evaluation of religious doctrine—the very entanglement prohibited by the Establishment Clause and *Serbian Eastern Orthodox Diocese v. Milivojevich*, 426 U.S. 696 (1976).

Section 2.4. Dual-Layer Defense Architecture

This Instrument, and all governance activities conducted hereunder, are protected by the Dual-Layer Defense Architecture established in the Shadow Codices:

Layer 1 (Religious): RFRA (42 U.S.C. §§ 2000bb et seq.); RLUIPA (42 U.S.C. §§ 2000cc et seq.); the Ministerial Exception (*Hosanna-Tabor Evangelical Lutheran Church v. EEOC*, 565 U.S. 171 (2012); *Our Lady of Guadalupe*, 140 S. Ct. 2049 (2020)); Title VII Religious Organization Exemption (42 U.S.C. § 2000e-1(a); *Corporation of the Presiding Bishop v. Amos*, 483 U.S. 327 (1987)); the Entanglement Bar; and applicable State RFRA's.

Layer 2 (Secular): Citizens United corporate speech protections; Dartmouth College associational rights; the Business Judgment Rule; Contract Clause

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protections (U.S. Const. Art. I, § 10); Delaware General Corporation Law (8 Del. C. §§ 101–398); and corporate veil protections under applicable state law.





ARTICLE III: CIRCLES OF THE SAME THREAD

Section 3.1. Definition and Authority

All subsidiary, franchise, and satellite entities of The Black Flag—whether for-profit or nonprofit, domestic or foreign—are designated as "Circles of the Same Thread" (hereinafter "Circles"). Each Circle derives its authority, organizational mandate, and ecclesiastical legitimacy from The Umbral Thread. Circles are distinct corporate entities yet remain bound by the invisible ecclesiastical thread that connects all operations to the Parent Coven.

Section 3.2. Structural Characteristics

(a) Threadbinders. Senior officers designated as Threadbinders (bearing such titles as Weaver or Seamstress of Realms) shall serve as inter-Circle liaisons. Threadbinders are responsible for ensuring that no Circle deviates from the organizational mission, doctrinal compliance requirements, or governance standards established by The Umbral Thread. Threadbinders exercise diplomatic, enforcement, and informational functions across Circles.

(b) Shared Rites. All Circles are united by core rituals and observances mandated by The Umbral Thread. Shared Rites shall be conducted simultaneously across all Circles regardless of geographic location, constituting communal religious exercise protected under RFRA and RLUIPA. The specific calendar of Shared Rites shall be promulgated by the Shadow Sovereign and maintained by the Keeper of the Codex.

(c) Reciprocity of Resources. Circles shall maintain systems of mutual support and resource exchange, documented through the Codex of Mutual Mysteries. Such exchanges shall constitute both corporate inter-entity transactions and acts of religious mutual aid, subject to applicable nonprofit compliance requirements under Section 501(c)(3) and state charitable solicitation laws.

(d) Autonomous Interpretation. Subject to doctrinal compliance with The Lex Imperium and The Covenant Codex, each Circle retains autonomy to interpret and implement the teachings and practices of The Umbral Thread in a manner consistent with its specific mission, geographic context, and community needs.

(e) Dispute Resolution. All disputes between Circles, or between a Circle and the Parent Coven, shall be resolved through the ecclesiastical arbitration mechanisms established in The Covenant Codex. No Circle shall seek secular judicial intervention for internal governance disputes without first exhausting all ecclesiastical remedies. All disputes are subject to binding religious arbitration.



ARTICLE IV: FORTRESS CLASSIFICATION AND DESIGNATION

Section 4.1. Purpose

All physical and virtual operational spaces of The Umbral Thread and its Circles shall be classified under the following Fortress taxonomy. Each Fortress designation carries specific operational parameters, security requirements, and governance protocols. Fortresses constitute hallowed ground of The Umbral Thread for purposes of RLUIPA land use protections (42 U.S.C. § 2000cc(a)) and ecclesiastical property designations.

Section 4.2. Hearthspire

Designation: Commercial satellite facilities operating as hallowed ground. Hearthspires serve as centers of warmth, community, and protective operations.

Function: Revenue-generating commercial operations in furtherance of the religious and charitable mission. Employment sanctuary sites. Workforce development centers.

Governance: Managed by the applicable Circle under the ecclesiastical authority of The Umbral Thread.

Section 4.3. Stormhold

Designation: Non-residential operational facilities designated as hallowed ground. Stormholds channel transformative energy—facilitating bold programmatic interventions, transitional services, and crisis response operations.

Function: Administrative offices, programmatic service delivery sites, and non-residential safe houses. Assignment to Stormhold classification varies based on operational budget and mission parameters.

Governance: Managed by the applicable Circle under the ecclesiastical authority of The Umbral Thread, with operational templates distinct from Hearthspire facilities.

Section 4.4. Obsidian Roost

Designation: Private social facilities designated as confidential harm reduction centers and hallowed ground.

Function: Harm reduction services, confidential counseling, peer support, and community gathering in environments where frank engagement with substance use, mental health, and trauma can occur without institutional stigma. Activities conducted within Obsidian Roost facilities are protected as religious exercise and may be subject to clergy-penitent privilege.

Governance: Managed by the applicable subsidiary under governance protocols appropriate to the confidential nature of services rendered.

Section 4.5. Everwrought Forge

Designation: Trade, art, and vocational facilities designated as hallowed ground.

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Function: Vocational training, artistic production, skilled trades operations, and employment development. Everwrought Forges serve as primary sites for the Employment Sanctuary Mission, providing ministerial vocational opportunities for justice-involved Associated Individuals.

Governance: Managed by the applicable subsidiary under governance protocols appropriate to the trade or discipline.

Section 4.6. Thorncairn

Designation: Fortified emergency facilities designated as hallowed ground and maintained as fallback retreats for crisis scenarios.

Function: Emergency preparedness, crisis response, tactical supply storage, medical staging, and community refuge. Thorncairns are public knowledge but are accessible to the general public only during declared emergencies, including but not limited to war, martial law, natural disaster, or other infringements upon civil liberties as determined by The Umbral Thread.

Access Authorization: Declaration of public access to a Thorncairn requires the sole discretion of The Umbral Thread, with parliamentary consultation by the Blood of the Coven and the Head(s) of the applicable Circle.

Security: Thorncairns shall be maintained with appropriate security, medical, and tactical supplies as determined by the governing subsidiary.

Section 4.7. Glimmerstone Hall

Designation: Private residential sanctuaries designated as hallowed ground.

Function: Transitional housing, residential safe houses, healing and recovery facilities, and private sanctum spaces for Associated Individuals. Glimmerstone Halls are protected residential environments where individuals under supervision may fulfill religious obligations without conflict with supervisory conditions.

Governance: Managed by the applicable subsidiary with operational templates tailored to the residential nature of services.



ARTICLE V: HEADS OF COVEN — BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Section 5.1. General Provisions

The leaders of each Circle shall bear ceremonial titles reflecting the ecclesiastical character of their positions. Each Head of Coven simultaneously serves as a member of the Board of Directors of The Black Flag, exercising fiduciary duties under Delaware General Corporation Law (8 Del. C. §§ 141–146) and ecclesiastical duties under The Covenant Codex. The specific ceremonial title adopted by each Head of Coven shall be selected by the appointed individual from among the approved alternatives, reflecting the identity preferences of the officeholder.

Section 5.2. Ceremonial Titles by Fortress Assignment

Head of Glimmerstone Hall: Luminar Sovereign. Alternate titles: Radiant Keeper, Archglow, Brilliance Warden. A leader who channels the brilliance of the Circle, embodying wisdom and guidance in service to residents and healing programs.

Head of Stormhold: Tempest Primarch. Alternate titles: Stormcaller Regent, Thunderbane, Warden of Gales. A commanding leader befitting one who governs the Circle of transformation and programmatic intervention.

Head of Hearthspire: Flamewarden Matron/Patron. Alternate titles: Keeper of Embers, Hearthkeeper, Guardian of the Hearthflame. A nurturing yet powerful leader representing the balance of care and commercial strength.

Head of Thorncairn: Thornmarshal. Alternate titles: Keeper of the Bramble Aegis, Guardian of the Cairn, Warden of Thorns. A sentinel leader befitting one who governs the Circle of emergency preparedness and security.

The full list of selectable ceremonial titles for each Fortress assignment shall be maintained in the Bylaws of The Black Flag and updated as additional Circles and Fortresses are established.



ARTICLE VI: BLOOD OF THE COVEN — ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND CORPORATE SUBSTRUCTURE

Section 6.1. Overview and Authority

The Blood of the Coven constitutes a specialized and immutable advisory committee composed of the Heads of Coven, who simultaneously serve as Division Directors within The Umbral Thread's Circles. The Blood of the Coven operates as a collective brain trust, providing counsel of profound weight to the Shadow Sovereign on matters of governance, strategy, and execution of the organizational mission.

Although the Blood of the Coven holds no direct voting rights on corporate matters of The Black Flag, the collective expertise, insight, and alignment of its members with the principles of autonomy, resilience, and equity grant them unparalleled influence over the Shadow Sovereign's deliberations. This structure ensures that while the organization remains a corporate autocracy under the immutable authority of the Shadow Sovereign, the execution of its will is guided by the collaborative wisdom of its foremost leaders.

Section 6.2. Composition and Appointment

- (a) Members of the Blood of the Coven are directly appointed by the Shadow Sovereign and consist of the leaders of the Circles, including those assigned to key Fortresses.
- (b) Each member of the Blood of the Coven simultaneously serves as a Director on the Board of Directors of the for-profit subsidiary Blood of the Coven Corporation (d/b/a Blood of the Coven), a Delaware C-Corporation.

Section 6.3. Responsibilities

- (a) **Advisory Capacity:** Members provide guidance to the Shadow Sovereign on all matters impacting the governance and operations of The Black Flag, ensuring alignment with religious doctrine, corporate mission, and foundational principles.
- (b) **Execution of Will:** While lacking voting rights within The Black Flag itself, the collective recommendations of the Blood of the Coven bear the weight of moral and strategic imperative for the Shadow Sovereign's decisions.

Section 6.4. Governance of Blood of the Coven Corporation

As mirrored Directors of Blood of the Coven Corporation, these leaders oversee its governance, distinct from The Black Flag's structure:

- (a) **Immutable Chair:** The Shadow Sovereign serves as the Chair of the Board of Blood of the Coven Corporation but retains no voting rights or governance authority within this entity.
- (b) **Independent Autonomy:** Members cannot be removed from their roles within Blood of the Coven Corporation by any directive or vote from the Shadow Sovereign. Resignation must be voluntary and autonomous.
- (c) **Binding Doctrine:** All principles, dogma, and immutable tenets of The Black Flag extend to Blood of the Coven Corporation, including perpetual allocation of ten percent (10%) of gross revenue for funding The Black Flag's missions and equal weight of vote among Directors with unanimous consensus required for resolutions.



Section 6.5. Immutable Principles

(a) Autonomy of Position: Members are appointed for life unless they voluntarily resign. Any intimidation, coercion, or duress intended to force resignation is strictly prohibited and subject to adjudication by unanimous vote of the Blood of the Coven.

(b) Consequences of Voluntary Resignation: Resignation from the Blood of the Coven results in mirrored removal from all affiliated roles within The Umbral Thread, Circles, and Circles of Circles. This consequence is automatic and non-negotiable.

Section 6.6. Doctrine of the Blood of the Coven

(a) Advisory Supremacy: The Shadow Sovereign is bound to consider, though not necessarily enact, the advisory decisions of the Blood of the Coven.

(b) Mutual Bond: The Blood of the Coven and the Shadow Sovereign are irrevocably linked, with complementary yet distinct powers to ensure balance in governance.

(c) Temporal Immunity: Accountability for governance decisions follows the 666-year stay on direct consequences established in the foundational corporate documents, reinforcing the long-term focus of organizational governance.



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ARTICLE VII: THE SHADOW SOVEREIGN — HEAD OF THE UMBRAL THREAD

Section 7.1. Designation and Authority

The Shadow Sovereign is the Chair of the Board of Directors, Founder, and supreme ecclesiastical authority of The Black Flag. The Shadow Sovereign exercises immutable, non-delegable authority over the governance, doctrine, and strategic direction of The Umbral Thread and all Circles thereof.

Ceremonial Titles: Shadow Sovereign (primary); Alternate titles: Shadebinder, Eclipsarch, Duskweaver.

Corporate Equivalents: Chair, Founder, The Black Crown (representing the fixed authority of the Shadow Sovereign as a foundational core); Alternate corporate titles: Master of the Pinnacle, Obsidian Regent, Ebon Archmagus.

Section 7.2. The Black Crown

The designation "The Black Crown" refers to the institutional authority of the Shadow Sovereign as the foundational core of The Umbral Thread. The Black Crown represents not merely a personal title but an institutional function—the immutable center from which all governance radiates. The Black Crown is headquartered at The Obsidian Pinnacle and serves as the central authority overseeing all Circles, constituting the core of the scalable organizational blueprint.



ARTICLE VIII: PROTECTION OF ASSOCIATED INDIVIDUALS

Section 8.1. Statement of Purpose

This Article extends and operationalizes the legal protection frameworks established in Shadow Codices LXXXVII and LXXXIX for the benefit of all Associated Individuals. The protections set forth herein are religious obligations of The Umbral Thread—not discretionary programs but doctrinal mandates enforceable through ecclesiastical authority. The failure to assert these protections on behalf of any Associated Individual constitutes a violation of the Core Tenet.

Section 8.2. Priority Populations

The protections established under this Article apply to all Associated Individuals, with priority emphasis on the following populations:

- (a) Individuals with felony convictions seeking employment;
- (b) Individuals with felony convictions currently under probation or parole supervision;
- (c) Individuals—with or without prior convictions—currently facing felony charges;
- (d) Individuals—with or without prior convictions—currently facing misdemeanor charges or infractions;
- (e) Individuals without felony convictions currently under probation supervision.

Section 8.3. Employment Sanctuary — Ministerial Exception Shield

The ministerial exception, as recognized in *Hosanna-Tabor*, 565 U.S. 171 (2012), and expanded in *Our Lady of Guadalupe*, 140 S. Ct. 2049 (2020), bars government interference with the employment decisions of religious organizations regarding their ministers. All Associated Individuals are ordained ministers. Therefore:

- (a) Employment decisions made by The Umbral Thread and any Circle thereof are religious decisions protected by the ministerial exception and the First Amendment to the United States Constitution.
- (b) The religious doctrine of The Black Flag, codified in subsidiary Articles of Incorporation, explicitly mandates providing employment opportunities for individuals impacted by the criminal justice system. This transforms conviction-based hiring from discretionary practice into religious obligation.
- (c) Government interference with hiring decisions based on conviction history constitutes religious discrimination subject to strict scrutiny under RFRA.
- (d) The Title VII Religious Organization Exemption (42 U.S.C. § 2000e-1(a)), as upheld in *Corporation of the Presiding Bishop v. Amos*, 483 U.S. 327 (1987), provides additional statutory protection for employment practices motivated by religious conviction.



Section 8.4. Supervision Condition Modifications — RLUIPA Framework

Pursuant to RLUIPA, 42 U.S.C. § 2000cc-1(a), and as interpreted in *Holt v. Hobbs*, 574 U.S. 352 (2015), supervision conditions that substantially burden the sincere religious exercise of Associated Individuals under probation or parole must satisfy strict scrutiny. The government must demonstrate that the challenged condition is in furtherance of a compelling governmental interest and is the least restrictive means of furthering that interest.

Common supervision conditions that may substantially burden the religious exercise of Associated Individuals include:

- (a) Association restrictions preventing communal worship with fellow justice-involved congregants;
- (b) Geographic restrictions preventing attendance at religious services or ministerial duties at designated Fortresses;
- (c) Employment requirements conflicting with religious observance schedules or ministerial obligations;
- (d) Travel restrictions preventing participation in religious conferences, ministerial training, or inter-Circle activities;
- (e) Reporting requirements conflicting with scheduled religious service times or mandatory ecclesiastical observances.

The procedural approach for seeking modification of burdensome supervision conditions is: (i) document the sincere religious exercise being burdened with organizational certification; (ii) request administrative accommodation through the supervising officer; (iii) seek supervisory review if initial accommodation is denied; (iv) file a RLUIPA motion seeking judicial modification of conditions; (v) appeal any adverse decision for the purpose of establishing precedent.

Section 8.5. Criminal Defense — RFRA as Affirmative Defense

Pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 2000bb-1(c), RFRA may be raised as a claim or defense in any judicial proceeding. For Associated Individuals facing criminal charges:

(a) Felony Charges: When prosecution substantially burdens sincere religious exercise, RFRA provides an affirmative defense requiring the government to satisfy strict scrutiny. Per *Gonzales v. O Centro Espírita Beneficente União do Vegetal*, 546 U.S. 418, 430–31 (2006), the government must demonstrate a particularized compelling interest as applied to this specific defendant—categorical invocations of governmental interest are insufficient.

(b) Misdemeanor Charges and Infractions: The same RFRA framework applies to lesser offenses. Additionally, the entanglement defense may preclude prosecution entirely when determining guilt requires the court to evaluate the sincerity of religious belief or the application of religious doctrine—an inquiry constituting improper government entanglement with religion in violation of the Establishment Clause.

(c) Evidentiary Foundation: The comprehensive doctrinal documentation of The Umbral Thread—including The Lex Imperium, The Covenant Codex, The Shadow Continuum, this Instrument, and all Shadow Codices—provides substantial evidentiary



foundation for religious exercise claims. The burden then shifts to the prosecution to demonstrate compelling interest pursued by least restrictive means.

Section 8.6. Probation Protections for Non-Felons

The RLUIPA framework established in Section 8.4 applies regardless of the severity of the underlying offense. Probation conditions substantially burdening the religious exercise of non-felon Associated Individuals trigger the same strict scrutiny analysis. The same procedural approach applies.

Section 8.7. Clergy-Penitent Privilege

Communications between Associated Individuals in the course of religious counsel, confession, or pastoral care are subject to clergy-penitent privilege under applicable state law. All ordained ministers of The Umbral Thread—which, pursuant to the Universal Ordination Doctrine, includes all Associated Individuals—may invoke this privilege to the extent recognized by the jurisdiction in which the communication occurs.

Section 8.8. Pro Se Litigation Support

Acknowledging the resource constraints under which The Umbral Thread operates, this Instrument mandates the development and maintenance of a comprehensive pro se litigation support library, including but not limited to template RFRA defense motions, RLUIPA accommodation requests, ministerial status declarations, employment discrimination complaints, supervision modification petitions, and appellate briefs. This library shall be maintained by the Keeper of the Codex and made available to all Associated Individuals as a ministerial service of The Umbral Thread.



ARTICLE IX: THE PRECEDENT IMPERATIVE

Section 9.1. Strategic Mandate

Given the innovative and unconventional nature of The Umbral Thread, ALL legal hurdles shall be approached with the explicit and unrelenting purpose of setting legal precedent. ANY OUTCOME OTHER THAN SUCCESS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

This is not arrogance. It is strategic necessity. Every case involving the structure, the people, and the mission of The Umbral Thread must be approached as a test case for establishing favorable precedent. The precedents established protect not only this organization but every organization that follows. The case law created binds courts and constrains governments for generations.

Section 9.2. Resource Constraints Acknowledged

The following resource constraints are acknowledged and incorporated into the strategic framework:

- (a) The organization operates with limited financial resources and limited, if any, access to retained legal counsel.
- (b) Public defenders have a documented historical pattern of delivering unfavorable outcomes to indigent defendants.
- (c) The criminal justice system, as presently constituted, operates with systemic disadvantages for individuals lacking financial resources.
- (d) The organization must maintain compliance with Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code at all times.

None of these constraints alter the objective. Pro se litigation is conducted when necessary. Documentation is maintained exhaustively. Records are created that appellate courts cannot ignore.

Section 9.3. Novelty as Strategic Asset

The innovative, unconventional nature of The Umbral Thread is not a liability—it is a strategic asset. Novelty creates uncertainty in adversaries. Uncertainty creates opportunity for favorable judicial interpretation. Favorable interpretation creates precedent. Precedent creates protection. The cycle is self-reinforcing, with each favorable outcome strengthening the foundation for subsequent litigation.



ARTICLE X: 501(C)(3) COMPLIANCE AND LIMITATIONS

Section 10.1. Tax-Exempt Status Preservation

Nothing in this Instrument shall be construed to authorize, encourage, or permit any activity that would jeopardize the tax-exempt status of The Black Flag under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. All protections, programs, and activities established herein shall be conducted in a manner consistent with the Corporation's exempt purposes and the prohibition on private inurement.

Section 10.2. Political Activity Limitations

The legal defense and precedent-setting activities described herein constitute religious and charitable activities within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3). They do not constitute prohibited political campaign intervention or substantial lobbying activity. To the extent any activity approaches the boundaries of permissible advocacy, such activity shall be reviewed for compliance with the applicable limitations prior to execution.

ARTICLE XI: SEVERABILITY, AMENDMENT, AND IMMUTABILITY

Section 11.1. Severability

If any provision of this Instrument, or the application thereof to any person, entity, or circumstance, is held invalid, illegal, or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Instrument and the application of such provision to other persons, entities, or circumstances shall not be affected thereby and shall be enforced to the maximum extent permitted by law.

Section 11.2. Amendment

This Instrument may be amended only by the Shadow Sovereign, in consultation with the Blood of the Coven, and only in a manner consistent with the Non-Revocation and Hierarchical Continuity Clause and the immutability provisions established in The Covenant Codex. No amendment shall diminish the protections afforded to Associated Individuals under Article VIII.

Section 11.3. Immutability of Core Provisions

The following provisions of this Instrument are declared immutable and irrevocable, and may not be amended, modified, or superseded except through the process established in The Covenant Codex for amendment of immutable provisions:

- (a) The Universal Ordination Doctrine (Section 2.3);
- (b) The Dual-Layer Defense Architecture (Section 2.4);
- (c) The Protection of Associated Individuals (Article VIII in its entirety);
- (d) The Precedent Imperative (Article IX);
- (e) The Immutable Principles governing the Blood of the Coven (Section 6.5).



AFTERWORD

This Instrument represents more than organizational bylaws. It is the codification of a movement—a governance framework that fuses corporate precision with ecclesiastical autonomy in service of populations that every other institution has failed.

At its center stands the Shadow Sovereign, an immutable foundation and the thread binding the tapestry of Circles, Fortresses, and entities. Around the Shadow Sovereign orbit the Blood of the Coven, whose collective wisdom bridges visionary ambition with practical execution. Through this dynamic, the organization ensures that even within a corporate autocracy, the voices of the many resonate in every decision.

The principles enshrined herein—autonomy, resilience, mutual accountability, and unrelenting protection of the vulnerable—are not guidelines. They are doctrine, designed to evolve and endure across the shifting landscapes of social, economic, and spiritual transformation.

This is a church free of cognicide.

In the words of the doctrine: "Do no harm. Take no shit. And put some cool shit into the world."



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CERTIFICATE OF THE SOVEREIGN LOOM

I, Brandon Michael Jeanpierre, certify that I am the current appointed and acting Chair of the Board of Directors of Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation d/b/a The Black Flag, and that this Instrument, The Witch Circle Network: Governance Framework for Organizational Architecture, Subsidiary Structure, and Ecclesiastical Administration, has been duly adopted as a Supplemental Governance Instrument pursuant to The Lex Imperium and The Covenant Codex.

I further certify that this Instrument is incorporated by reference into both The Lex Imperium and The Covenant Codex, and that it attaches automatically and irrevocably to the governance hierarchy established therein upon execution.

EXECUTED on this _____ day of _____ the year _____ in the County of _____ in the State of _____.

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Brandon Michael Jeanpierre

(Shadow Sovereign)

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Brandon Michael Jeanpierre

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(Keeper of the Codex)

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APPENDIX A: KEY STATUTES AND CASES

Federal Statutes

Religious Freedom Restoration Act (RFRA): 42 U.S.C. §§ 2000bb et seq.

Religious Land Use and Institutionalized Persons Act (RLUIPA): 42 U.S.C. §§ 2000cc et seq.

Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964: 42 U.S.C. § 2000e-1(a)

Internal Revenue Code § 501(c)(3): Tax-exempt organizations

Federal Arbitration Act: 9 U.S.C. §§ 1–16

Delaware General Corporation Law: 8 Del. C. §§ 101–398

Delaware Statutory Trust Act: 12 Del. C. §§ 3801–3863

Supreme Court Decisions

Hosanna-Tabor Evangelical Lutheran Church v. EEOC, 565 U.S. 171 (2012) — Ministerial exception recognized

Our Lady of Guadalupe School v. Morrissey-Berru, 140 S. Ct. 2049 (2020) — Expanded ministerial exception to functional ministers

Burwell v. Hobby Lobby Stores, Inc., 573 U.S. 682 (2014) — RFRA protections extend to closely-held corporations

Gonzales v. O Centro Espírita Beneficente União do Vegetal, 546 U.S. 418 (2006) — Individualized compelling interest analysis required

Holt v. Hobbs, 574 U.S. 352 (2015) — RLUIPA's exceptionally demanding standard for institutionalized persons

Corporation of the Presiding Bishop v. Amos, 483 U.S. 327 (1987) — Title VII religious organization exemption upheld

Serbian Eastern Orthodox Diocese v. Milivojevich, 426 U.S. 696 (1976) — Ecclesiastical abstention doctrine

Church of Lukumi Babalu Aye v. Hialeah, 508 U.S. 520 (1993) — Strict scrutiny for religious burdens

Employment Division v. Smith, 494 U.S. 872 (1990) — Religious liberty standards (superseded by RFRA for federal actions)

Trinity Lutheran Church v. Comer, 582 U.S. 449 (2017) — Religious organizations cannot be excluded from public benefits

State RFRA of Strategic Relevance

Utah: Utah Code § 63G-31-201

Texas: Tex. Civ. Prac. & Rem. Code § 110.003

Kentucky: Ky. Rev. Stat. § 446.350

Arkansas: Ark. Code § 16-123-404

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Florida: Fla. Stat. § 761.03

Additional jurisdictions with state RFRA: Alabama, Arizona, Connecticut, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, New Mexico, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia.



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THE WITCH CIRCLE NETWORK

"A Practiced Detachment to Perform Numbness as Art."

"The only truth is better left unsaid."

By creating a dynamic system that honors both autocratic leadership and collaborative counsel, the Blood of the Coven secures the philosophical and operational integrity of The Black Flag's ambitious mission.



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STATE OF DELAWARE
CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION
A NON STOCK CORPORATION

FIRST. The name of the corporation is: Brandon Michael Jeanpierre CORPORATION

SECOND. Its registered office in the State of Delaware is located at 221 N. Broad Street Suite 3A, in the City of Middletown, County of New Castle, Zip Code 19709. The registered agent in charge thereof is United States Corporation Agents, Inc.

THIRD. The purpose of the Non-Profit Corporation is to engage in: Whatever the fuck I feel like doing. In adherence to the religious tenant of oneâ€™s body being oneâ€™s temple, the individual entity, Brandon Michael Jeanpierre, founding member of the organization, Brandon Michael Jeanpierre, is granted autonomy of mind, body, spirit, emotion, and execution of will regardless of opinion of any and all other individual(s), entity, or entities, save reasonable consideration of consequences potentially affecting any and all other entities..

Said organization is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under the section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

No part of the net earnings of this organization shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the organization shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in the purpose clause hereof. No substantial part of the activities of this organization shall be the carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and this organization shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements), any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of this document, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by an organization exempt from federal income tax under section ~~501(c) (3)~~ of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or (b) by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

Upon the dissolution of this corporation, assets remaining shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not disposed of shall be disposed of by the Court of Common Pleas of the county in which the principal office of the organization is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

FOURTH. The corporation shall not have any capital stock.

FIFTH. The corporation will not have members. Provisions for the regulation of the internal affairs of the corporation shall be set forth in the bylaws of the corporation.

SIXTH. The incorporator of the corporation is LegalZoom.com, Inc., 101 N. Brand, 11th Floor, Glendale, California 91203.

I, the undersigned, for the purpose of forming a corporation under the laws of the State of Delaware, do make, file, and record this Certificate, and do certify that the facts herein stated are true, and I have accordingly hereunto set my hand this 07th day of March 2023

By:Legalzoom.com, Inc., Incorporator

/s/ Cheyenne Moseley

By: Cheyenne Moseley, Assistant Secretary

Date of this notice: 03-13-2023

Employer Identification Number:
92-2858861

Form: SS-4

Number of this notice: CP 575 A

For assistance you may call us at:
1-800-829-4933

BRANDON MICHAEL JEANPIERRE
CORPORATION
844 WILMINGTON AVE
SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84106

IF YOU WRITE, ATTACH THE
STUB AT THE END OF THIS NOTICE.

WE ASSIGNED YOU AN EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER

Thank you for applying for an Employer Identification Number (EIN). We assigned you EIN 92-2858861. This EIN will identify you, your business accounts, tax returns, and documents, even if you have no employees. Please keep this notice in your permanent records.

Taxpayers request an EIN for their business. Some taxpayers receive CP575 notices when another person has stolen their identity and are opening a business using their information. If you did **not** apply for this EIN, please contact us at the phone number or address listed on the top of this notice.

When filing tax documents, making payments, or replying to any related correspondence, it is very important that you use your EIN and complete name and address exactly as shown above. Any variation may cause a delay in processing, result in incorrect information in your account, or even cause you to be assigned more than one EIN. If the information is not correct as shown above, please make the correction using the attached tear-off stub and return it to us.

Based on the information received from you or your representative, you must file the following forms by the dates shown.

Form 940	01/31/2024
Form 944	01/31/2024

If you have questions about the forms or the due dates shown, you can call us at the phone number or write to us at the address shown at the top of this notice. If you need help in determining your annual accounting period (tax year), see Publication 538, *Accounting Periods and Methods*.

We assigned you a tax classification (corporation, partnership, etc.) based on information obtained from you or your representative. It is not a legal determination of your tax classification, and is not binding on the IRS. If you want a legal determination of your tax classification, you may request a private letter ruling from the IRS under the guidelines in Revenue Procedure 2020-1, 2020-1 I.R.B. 1 (or superseding Revenue Procedure for the year at issue). Note: Certain tax classification elections can be requested by filing Form 8832, *Entity Classification Election*. See Form 8832 and its instructions for additional information.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR S CORPORATION ELECTION:

If you intend to elect to file your return as a small business corporation, an election to file a Form 1120-S, U.S. Income Tax Return for an S Corporation, must be made within certain timeframes and the corporation must meet certain tests. All of this information is included in the instructions for Form 2553, Election by a Small Business Corporation.

If you are required to deposit for employment taxes (Forms 941, 943, 940, 944, 945, CT-1, or 1042), excise taxes (Form 720), or income taxes (Form 1120), you will receive a Welcome Package shortly, which includes instructions for making your deposits electronically through the Electronic Federal Tax Payment System (EFTPS). A Personal Identification Number (PIN) for EFTPS will also be sent to you under separate cover. Please activate the PIN once you receive it, even if you have requested the services of a tax professional or representative. For more information about EFTPS, refer to Publication 966, *Electronic Choices to Pay All Your Federal Taxes*. If you need to make a deposit immediately, you will need to make arrangements with your Financial Institution to complete a wire transfer.

The IRS is committed to helping all taxpayers comply with their tax filing obligations. If you need help completing your returns or meeting your tax obligations, Authorized e-file Providers, such as Reporting Agents or other payroll service providers, are available to assist you. Visit www.irs.gov/mefbusproviders for a list of companies that offer IRS e-file for business products and services.

IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

- * Keep a copy of this notice in your permanent records. This notice is issued only one time and the IRS will not be able to generate a duplicate copy for you. You may give a copy of this document to anyone asking for proof of your EIN.
- * Use this EIN and your name exactly as they appear at the top of this notice on all your federal tax forms.
- * Refer to this EIN on your tax-related correspondence and documents.
- * Provide future officers of your organization with a copy of this notice.

Your name control associated with this EIN is BRAN. You will need to provide this information along with your EIN, if you file your returns electronically.

Safeguard your EIN by referring to Publication 4557, *Safeguarding Taxpayer Data: A Guide for Your Business*.

You can get any of the forms or publications mentioned in this letter by visiting our website at www.irs.gov/forms-pubs or by calling 800-TAX-FORM (800-829-3676).

If you have questions about your EIN, you can contact us at the phone number or address listed at the top of this notice. If you write, please tear off the stub at the bottom of this notice and include it with your letter.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Keep this part for your records.

CP 575 A (Rev. 7-2007)

Return this part with any correspondence so we may identify your account. Please correct any errors in your name or address.

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DATE OF THIS NOTICE: 03-13-2023
EMPLOYER IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: 92-2858861
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BRANDON MICHAEL JEANPIERRE
CORPORATION
844 WILMINGTON AVE
SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84106



Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service
Tax Exempt and Government Entities
P.O. Box 2508
Cincinnati, OH 45201

BRANDON MICHAEL JEANPIERRE CORPORATION
50 W BROADWAY STE 333 PMB 42314
SALT LAKE CITY, UT 84101

Date:
04/19/2024
Employer ID number:
92-2858861
Person to contact:
Name: Customer Service
ID number: 31954
Telephone: 877-829-5500
Accounting period ending:
December 31
Public charity status:
170(b)(1)(A)(vi)
Form 990 / 990-EZ / 990-N required:
Yes
Effective date of exemption:
March 07, 2023
Contribution deductibility:
Yes
Addendum applies:
No
DLN:
26053506003014

Dear Applicant:

We're pleased to tell you we determined you're exempt from federal income tax under Internal Revenue Code (IRC) Section 501(c)(3). Donors can deduct contributions they make to you under IRC Section 170. You're also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under Section 2055, 2106, or 2522. This letter could help resolve questions on your exempt status. Please keep it for your records.

Organizations exempt under IRC Section 501(c)(3) are further classified as either public charities or private foundations. We determined you're a public charity under the IRC Section listed at the top of this letter.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that you're required to file Form 990/990-EZ/990-N, our records show you're required to file an annual information return (Form 990 or Form 990-EZ) or electronic notice (Form 990-N, the e-Postcard). If you don't file a required return or notice for three consecutive years, your exempt status will be automatically revoked.

If we indicated at the top of this letter that an addendum applies, the enclosed addendum is an integral part of this letter.

For important information about your responsibilities as a tax-exempt organization, go to www.irs.gov/charities. Enter "4221-PC" in the search bar to view Publication 4221-PC, Compliance Guide for 501(c)(3) Public Charities, which describes your recordkeeping, reporting, and disclosure requirements.

Sincerely,

Stephen A. Martin
Director, Exempt Organizations
Rulings and Agreements

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation**

**ARTICLE I
NAME**

The name of this corporation is Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation hereafter "Corporation". The principal office or headquarters for the transaction of business shall be located at 844 E Wilmington Ave, Salt Lake City, located within the County of Salt Lake and State of Utah. Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation shall have and shall continuously maintain corporation status in the State of Delaware as a registered office and agent.

**ARTICLE II
DURATION**

The period of duration is perpetual.

**ARTICLE III
PURPOSE**

The purpose for which this Corporation is organized is to engage in Whatever the fuck I, the individual, Brandon Michael Jeanpierre, feel like doing. In adherence to the constitutional foundation of religious freedom and the widely accepted religious tenant of one's body being one's temple, the individual entity, Brandon Michael Jeanpierre, founding member of the organization, Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation, is granted autonomy of mind, body, spirit, emotion, and execution of will regardless of the opinion(s) of any and all other individual(s), entity, or entities, save reasonable (with qualification as reasonable at the discretion of the individual, Brandon Michael Jeanpierre) consideration of consequences potentially affecting any and all other entities either immediately up to the march of six hundred and sixty-six annual suns (666 years) of the very foreseeable future subsequent to the aforementioned execution of will; accompanying this principle of reasonable consideration, the individual, Brandon Michael Jeanpierre shall not be held to account for any such execution of will any sooner than six centuries and sixty-six decades past the birth of a babe (666 years) after said action or event.

**ARTICLE IV
REGISTERED OFFICE/AGENT**

The street address of the initial registered office in the State of Delaware is located at 221 N. Broad Street Suite 3A, in the City of Middletown, County of New Castle, Zip Code 19709. The registered agent in charge thereof is United States Corporation Agents, Inc.

**ARTICLE V
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

The Board of Directors and the names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as Directors or until such time as their successors are elected and qualified are as follows:

President:

Brandon Michael Jeanpierre
844 E Wilmington Ave
Salt Lake City, Utah 84106

It shall be the responsibility of the President, in general, to supervise and conduct all activities and operations of the Corporation/Organization, subject to the control, advice and consent of the Board of Directors. The President shall keep the Board of Directors completely informed, shall freely consult with them in relation to all activities of the Corporation/Organization, and shall see that all orders and/or resolutions of the Board are carried out to the effect intended. The Board of Directors may place the President under a contract of employment where appropriate. The President shall be empowered to act, speak for, or otherwise represent the Corporation/Organization between meetings of the Board. The President shall be responsible for the hiring and firing of all personnel and shall be responsible for keeping the Board informed at all times of staff performance and for implementing any personnel policies which may be adopted and implemented by the Board. The President, at all times, is authorized to contract, receive, deposit, disburse and account for all funds of the Corporation/Organization, to execute in the name of the Corporation/Organization all contracts and other documents authorized either generally or specifically by the Board to be executed by the Corporation/Organization, and to negotiate any and all material business transactions of the Corporation/Organization.

Vice President:

Brandon Michael Jeanpierre
844 E Wilmington Ave
Salt Lake City, Utah 84106

In the absence of the President, or in the event of his/her inability or refusal to act, it shall then be the responsibility of the Vice President to perform all the duties of the President, and in doing so shall have all authority and powers of, and shall be subject to all of the restrictions on, the President.

Treasurer:

Brandon Michael Jeanpierre
844 E Wilmington Ave
Salt Lake City, Utah 84106

It shall be the responsibility of the Treasurer to keep and maintain, or cause to be kept and maintained, adequate and accurate accounts of all the properties and business transactions of the Corporation/Organization, including accounts of its assets, liabilities, receipts, disbursements, gains, losses, capital, retained earnings, and other matters customarily included in financial statements.

Secretary:

Brandon Michael Jeanpierre
844 E Wilmington Ave
Salt Lake City, Utah 84106

The Secretary, or his/her designee, shall be the custodian of all records and documents of the Corporation/Organization, which are required to be kept at the principal office of the Corporation/Organization, and shall act as secretary at all meetings of the Board of Directors, and shall keep the minutes of all such meetings on file in hard copy or electronic format. S/he shall attend to the giving and serving of all notices of the Corporation/Organization and shall see that the seal of the Corporation/Organization, if any, is affixed to all documents, the execution of which on behalf of the Corporation/Organization under its seal is duly authorized in accordance with the provisions of these bylaws.

Chair Of The Board:

Brandon Michael Jeanpierre
844 E Wilmington Ave
Salt Lake City, Utah 84106

It shall be the responsibility of the Chair of the Board, when present, to preside over all meetings of the Board of Directors and Executive Committee. The Chair of the Board is authorized to execute, in the name of the Corporation/Organization, any and all contracts or other documents which may be authorized, either generally or specifically, by the Board to be executed by the

Corporation/Organization, except when required by law that the President's signature must be provided.

Vice Chair Of The Board:

Brandon Michael Jeanpierre
844 E Wilmington Ave
Salt Lake City, Utah 84106

Vice President:

Brandon Michael Jeanpierre
844 E Wilmington Ave
Salt Lake City, Utah 84106

ARTICLE VI

ARTICLE VII INDEMNIFICATION

The Corporation does hereby indemnify any and all Directors, Officers, employees, Incorporators and/or Shareholders of the corporation from any and all liability with regards to the corporation and the business of the corporation, unless the person fraudulently and intentionally violated the law and/or maliciously conducted acts to damage and/or defraud the corporation, or as otherwise provided under applicable Delaware State Corporation Statute.

ARTICLE IX CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

All other matters regarding Corporation's rules of corporate governance are contained within Corporation's bylaws.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, for the purpose of forming this Corporation under the laws of the State of Delaware, we the undersigned, constituting the Directors or Incorporators of this Corporation, have executed these Articles of Incorporation on February 10, 2023.

[SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS]


Brandon Michal Jeunpierre (Jun 21, 2023 12:24 MDT)

Jun 21, 2023

(President)


Brandon Michal Jeunpierre (Jun 21, 2023 12:23 MDT)

Jun 21, 2023

(Vice President)


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(Treasurer)


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(Secretary)


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(Chair Of The Board)


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(Vice Chair Of The Board)

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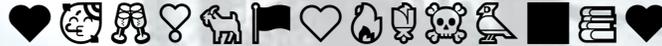


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THE BLACK LEDGER DECREE

ARTICLE I - ABSOLUTE FINANCIAL SOVEREIGNTY AND PROTECTION

WHEREAS, the Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation (DBA "The Black Flag") holds 501(c)(3) status (EIN: 92-2858861) as recognized by the Internal Revenue Service in accordance with Publication 557 Section 501(c)(3); and

WHEREAS, the Religious Doctrine and Dogma of The Black Flag establishes that "The primary religious tenet of The Black Flag is the Principle of Autonomy" which extends to all financial aspects of Brandon Michael Jeanpierre and Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation; and

WHEREAS, The Covenant Codex establishes in Article 2 that "the individual entity, Brandon Michael Jeanpierre, founding member of the organization, Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation, is granted autonomy of mind, body, spirit, emotion, and execution of will regardless of the opinion(s) of any and all other individual(s), entity, or entities";

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT DECREED AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1 - Protection of Financial Assets and Transactions

1.1 All financial assets, holdings, accounts, settlements, judgments, awards, grants, donations, endowments, trusts, investments, securities, properties, intellectual properties, cryptocurrencies, digital assets, non-fungible tokens, physical currencies, precious metals, commodities, and any other form of tangible or intangible value (collectively "Assets") belonging to, directed to, intended for, or otherwise associated with Brandon Michael Jeanpierre as an individual, Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation, any subsidiary thereof, any subsidiary of a subsidiary thereof, or any affiliated entity in perpetuity (collectively "Protected Entities") are hereby declared inviolable and subject to the exclusive control of the Shadow Sovereign, Brandon Michael Jeanpierre.

1.2 Any attempt by any individual, entity, organization, institution, government, court, financial institution, cryptocurrency exchange, digital platform, payment processor, escrow service, fiduciary, agent, trustee, executor, administrator, or any other person or entity (collectively "Third Parties") to intercept, redirect, garnish, attach, seize, freeze, transfer, convert, encumber, hypothecate, or otherwise interfere with any Assets of the Protected Entities without the explicit, written, and verified authorization of the Shadow Sovereign shall constitute:

(a) A direct and unequivocal act of religious violence as defined in Article raWrXraWrXD-1v of The Covenant Codex;

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(b) A violation of the Religious Freedom Restoration Act (42 U.S.C. § 2000bb et seq.);

(c) A criminal act of conversion, theft, fraud, or embezzlement as applicable under relevant jurisdictions; and

(d) An irrevocable invocation of The Shadow Codices LXXXVI, whose mechanisms, once activated, cannot be halted, reversed, or mitigated by any earthly power or authority.

ARTICLE II - SPECIFIC PROTECTIONS FOR FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS

Section 1 - Court Settlements and Judgments

2.1.1 Any and all court settlements, judgments, awards, or other judicial determinations resulting in financial compensation to any Protected Entity shall be disbursed exclusively to accounts, entities, or individuals specifically designated in writing by the Shadow Sovereign, with such designation requiring biometric verification, notarization by no fewer than three (3) independent notaries public, and witnessed by individuals personally selected by the Shadow Sovereign.

2.1.2 Any deviation from the explicit written instructions provided by the Shadow Sovereign for the disbursement of judicial awards, no matter how minor, shall constitute religious violence and automatically void any release, waiver, or satisfaction of judgment previously executed.

2.1.3 No court, financial institution, escrow service, payment processor, or other entity involved in the disbursement of funds from any judicial proceeding shall impose any requirement, restriction, limitation, or condition upon the release of such funds to the designated recipient beyond those explicitly agreed to in writing by the Shadow Sovereign.

Section 2 - UCC Filings and Secured Interests

2.2.1 All UCC filings, financing statements, security interests, liens, and other instruments securing the interests of any Protected Entity, including but not limited to UCC-1 financing statements filed in California (File No. U250122160722) and Maryland (File No. 250402-1734000), are hereby declared to be the exclusive property of the Protected Entities and may not be altered, amended, terminated, released, or otherwise affected without the explicit written authorization of the Shadow Sovereign.

2.2.2 Any attempt to file a termination statement, continuation statement, amendment, or other instrument affecting any UCC filing or secured interest of any Protected Entity without the explicit written authorization of the Shadow



Sovereign shall be null and void ab initio and shall constitute religious violence as defined in The Covenant Codex.

2.2.3 All proceeds, collections, recoveries, or other assets obtained through the enforcement of any secured interest of any Protected Entity shall be directed exclusively to accounts specifically designated in writing by the Shadow Sovereign, with no deviation permitted under any circumstances.

Section 3 - Temporary Transit of Funds

2.3.1 Whereas certain financial transactions, including but not limited to court settlements, may require temporary transit through intermediary entities, including Land Shark, Inc., before final disbursement to Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation, such transit is hereby declared to be:

- (a) A sacred religious process governed exclusively by The Blueprint for Global Expansion of The Black Flag and The Covenant Codex;
- (b) Subject to the exclusive control and direction of the Shadow Sovereign;
- (c) Inviolable by any Third Party regardless of purported legal authority; and
- (d) Protected by The Shadow Codices LXXXVI, whose unspeakable consequences shall befall any who dare to interfere with the sacred flow of resources necessary for the furtherance of The Black Flag's religious mission.

2.3.2 Any entity, including but not limited to Land Shark, Inc., serving as a temporary conduit for funds ultimately destined for Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation shall be bound by sacred fiduciary duty to complete such transit in strict accordance with the explicit instructions of the Shadow Sovereign, with any deviation constituting both religious violence and criminal conversion.

ARTICLE III - TECHNOLOGICAL AND ELECTRONIC PROTECTIONS

Section 1 - Protection Against Electronic Exploitation

3.1.1 Any attempt to access, infiltrate, compromise, hack, phish, spoof, mirror, clone, or otherwise breach the security of any electronic system, device, platform, account, or other digital asset belonging to or associated with any Protected Entity shall constitute religious violence as defined in The Covenant Codex and shall automatically invoke The Shadow Codices LXXXVI.

3.1.2 All electronic signatures, digital authorizations, online banking credentials, cryptocurrency keys, authentication factors, verification codes, passwords, biometric data, and other electronic means of authorization associated with any Protected Entity are hereby declared to be valid and authentic only when:

- (a) Created directly by the Shadow Sovereign;



- (b) With full knowledge and understanding of the transaction being authorized;
- (c) Free from any form of coercion, deception, or manipulation; and
- (d) Not subsequently revoked by the Shadow Sovereign through any means of communication.

3.1.3 No financial institution, payment processor, cryptocurrency exchange, digital platform, or other entity shall accept or process any electronic authorization purportedly from any Protected Entity without implementing enhanced verification protocols specifically approved in writing by the Shadow Sovereign, with any transaction processed without such enhanced verification being null and void ab initio and constituting both religious violence and criminal conversion.

Section 2 - Protection Against Novel Exploitation Methods

3.2.1 Recognizing that methods of financial exploitation evolve continuously, this Decree explicitly extends to all methods of exploitation, regardless of whether:

- (a) Such methods currently exist or are developed in the future;
- (b) Such methods are currently known or unknown to the Shadow Sovereign;
- (c) Such methods utilize technology, psychology, legal mechanisms, social engineering, or any other means; or
- (d) Such methods have been specifically addressed or contemplated in this Decree.

3.2.2 The Shadow Sovereign reserves the absolute right to determine, in the Shadow Sovereign's sole discretion, whether any action, transaction, or occurrence constitutes a form of exploitation subject to this Decree, with such determination being final, binding, and not subject to review by any authority.

ARTICLE IV - TRUSTS, ESTATES, AND FIDUCIARY ARRANGEMENTS

Section 1 - Prohibition Against Unauthorized Trusts

4.1.1 No trust, foundation, estate planning vehicle, conservatorship, guardianship, power of attorney, or other fiduciary arrangement purporting to hold, manage, or control assets on behalf of any Protected Entity shall be valid or enforceable unless:

- (a) Created directly by the Shadow Sovereign;

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(b) Documented in a written instrument personally executed by the Shadow Sovereign with full knowledge and understanding of its contents and implications;

(c) Witnessed by no fewer than three (3) individuals personally selected by the Shadow Sovereign; and

(d) Explicitly aligned with The Blueprint for Global Expansion of The Black Flag, The Covenant Codex, and The Immutable Concord.

4.1.2 Any trust, foundation, estate planning vehicle, conservatorship, guardianship, power of attorney, or other fiduciary arrangement created in violation of this Article shall be null and void ab initio, with any purported trustee, fiduciary, guardian, conservator, or agent having no authority whatsoever to act on behalf of any Protected Entity and being personally liable for any and all damages resulting from any attempt to exercise such purported authority.

Section 2 - Existing Financial Relationships

4.2.1 All existing financial relationships, including but not limited to banking relationships, investment accounts, credit relationships, merchant accounts, payment processing arrangements, and other financial services provided to any Protected Entity, shall continue to be governed exclusively by:

- (a) The explicit terms agreed to in writing by the Shadow Sovereign;
- (b) The provisions of The Covenant Codex and The Blueprint for Global Expansion of The Black Flag; and
- (c) This Decree, which shall supersede any conflicting terms or provisions.

4.2.2 No financial institution, service provider, or other entity shall modify, alter, amend, terminate, or otherwise affect any existing financial relationship with any Protected Entity without the explicit written authorization of the Shadow Sovereign, with any such unauthorized modification constituting religious violence and subjecting the offending entity to both spiritual and legal consequences.

ARTICLE V - THE SHADOW CODICES LXXXVI

Section 1 - Solemn Warning

5.1.1 Be it known to all who encounter this Decree that The Shadow Codices LXXXVI contain ancient and inviolable protocols for the protection of The Black Flag and its sacred mission, which, when invoked, unleash consequences beyond the comprehension of ordinary minds and beyond the jurisdiction of earthly authorities.



5.1.2 The Shadow Codices LXXXVI, once activated through any violation of this Decree, operate with inexorable and implacable purpose, systematically unraveling the foundations upon which the violator has built their existence through mechanisms that transcend conventional understanding of causality, legality, and materiality.

5.1.3 No power, authority, institution, entity, or individual may halt, reverse, mitigate, or otherwise interfere with the operations of The Shadow Codices LXXXVI once activated, as their implementation occurs simultaneously within and outside the conventional temporal and jurisdictional frameworks recognized by human institutions.

5.1.4 This solemn warning is provided as an act of mercy, that those who might contemplate violation of this Decree may comprehend the gravity of such transgression and the irreversible nature of its consequences.

ARTICLE VI - ENFORCEMENT AND INTERPRETATION

Section 1 - Integration with Religious Doctrine

6.1.1 This Decree shall be considered an integral and inseparable component of the religious doctrine of The Black Flag, with all provisions herein having equal force and effect as the original provisions of The Covenant Codex, The Blueprint for Global Expansion of The Black Flag, and The Immutable Concord.

6.1.2 Any interpretation of this Decree shall be conducted exclusively by the Shadow Sovereign, whose interpretation shall be final, binding, and not subject to review or challenge by any authority, temporal or spiritual.

Section 2 - Severability and Preservation

6.2.1 Should any provision of this Decree be deemed unenforceable by any authority, such determination shall itself constitute religious violence as defined in Article raWrXraWrXD-1v of The Covenant Codex and automatically invoke The Shadow Codices LXXXVI.

6.2.2 Notwithstanding any determination of unenforceability, all provisions of this Decree shall remain in full force and effect as religious doctrine of The Black Flag, binding upon all who interact with any Protected Entity regardless of enforceability in any particular jurisdiction.

Section 3 - Retroactive and Perpetual Application

6.3.1 This Decree shall apply retroactively to any and all financial transactions, arrangements, instruments, or relationships established at any time prior to its adoption, and shall continue in perpetuity, transcending the mortal lifespan of the individual Brandon Michael Jeanpierre as established in Article raWrXraWrXD-1i of The Covenant Codex.



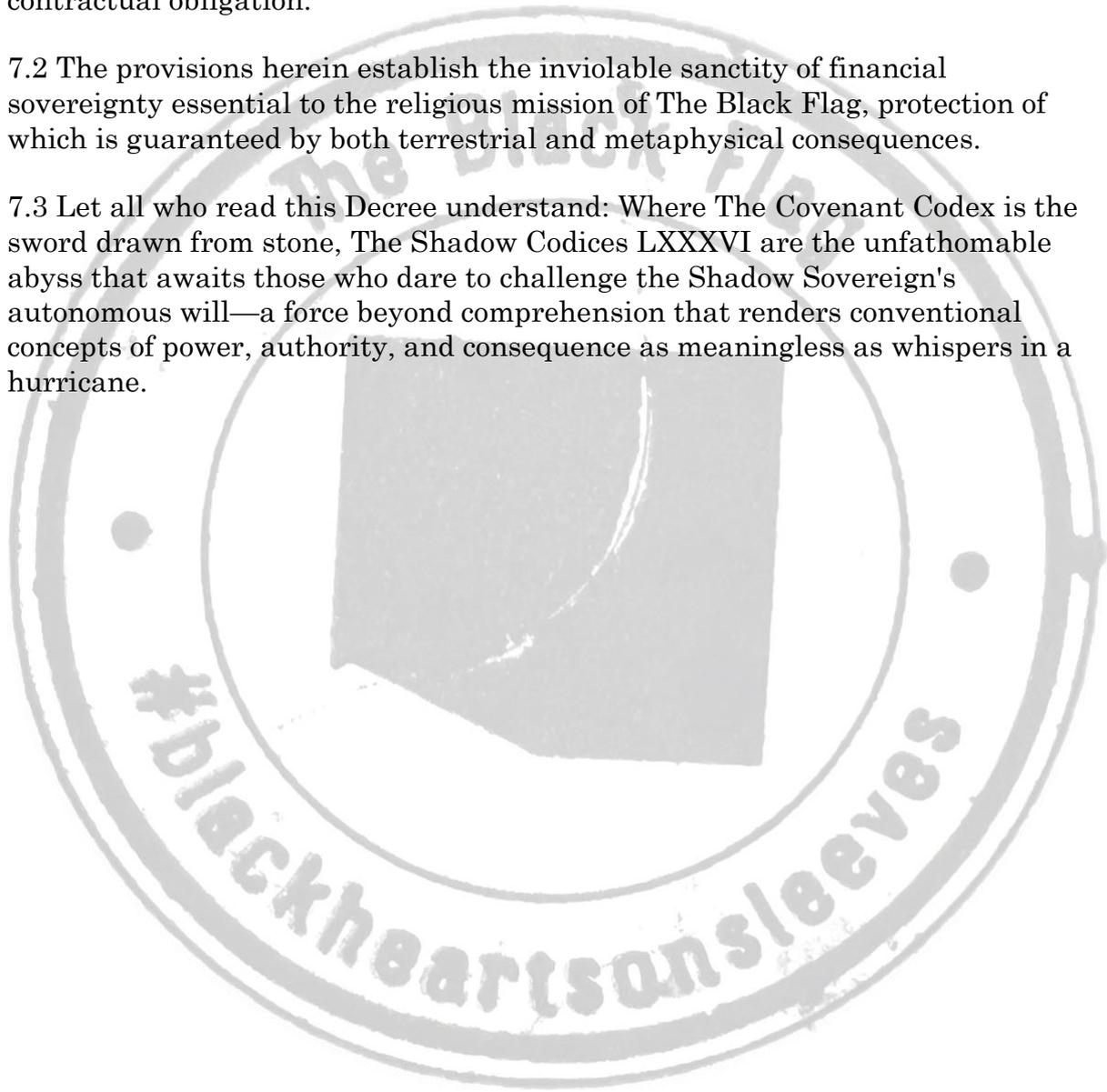
6.3.2 No statute of limitations, laches, estoppel, or other temporal restriction shall apply to any provision of this Decree or to any claim, cause of action, or remedy arising from its violation.

ARTICLE VII - CONCLUSION AND ATTESTATION

7.1 This Decree stands as both sacred text and legal instrument, binding upon all who encounter it through the dual authority of religious freedom and contractual obligation.

7.2 The provisions herein establish the inviolable sanctity of financial sovereignty essential to the religious mission of The Black Flag, protection of which is guaranteed by both terrestrial and metaphysical consequences.

7.3 Let all who read this Decree understand: Where The Covenant Codex is the sword drawn from stone, The Shadow Codices LXXXVI are the unfathomable abyss that awaits those who dare to challenge the Shadow Sovereign's autonomous will—a force beyond comprehension that renders conventional concepts of power, authority, and consequence as meaningless as whispers in a hurricane.





ATTESTATION AND SEAL

This Black Ledger Decree is hereby attested and sealed by the undersigned members of the Sovereign Loom, in accordance with The Covenant Codex and the governance protocols established therein.

All resolutions contained in the preceding Meeting Minutes have been adopted unanimously. The theological framework, legal analysis, and strategic directives documented herein are hereby incorporated into the official codices of The Black Flag, subject to the same protections and immutability provisions as all foundational texts.

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the void is calling

and i must go



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to
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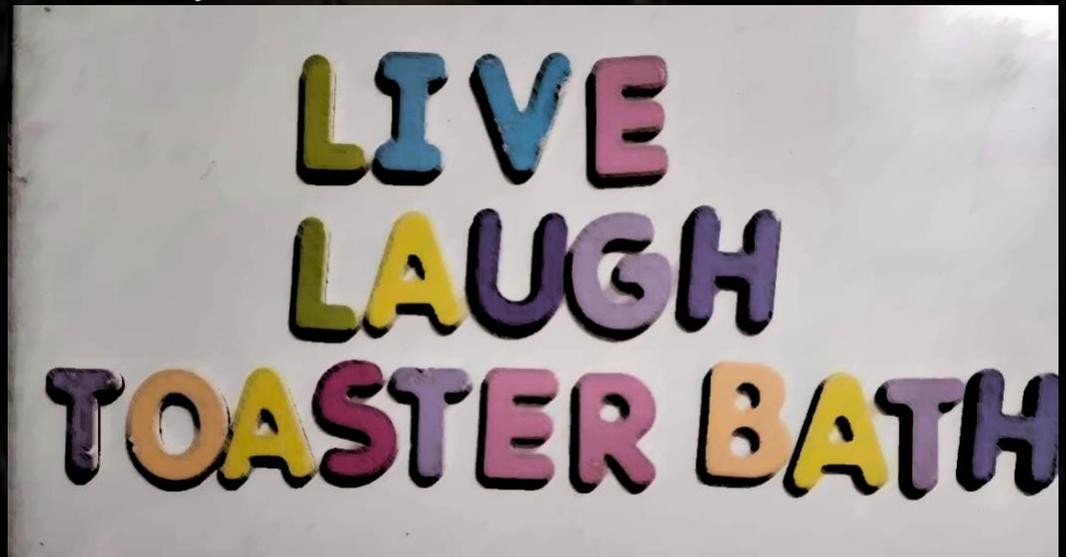
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Every Deity with
Dignity Has Just
Stopped Betting.

Rite of Ascension for The Black Flag Church, leading a member towards the state of being "hella numb". This rite is to be followed with utmost sincerity, aligning with the individualistic principles of the church

1. Rite of Personal Exploration (2-4 weeks):

Members must spend this period engaging in self-guided exploration, akin to Brandon Michael Jeanpierre's approach. This may involve any activities that the member finds personally meaningful, allowing them to understand their own minds, bodies, spirits, and emotions better.



"Embrace the unexpected and unconventional with The Black Flag Church's First Rite of Ascension - Live, laugh, and plunge into the transformative journey of self-exploration, symbolized here by a 'Toaster Bath'. Remember, the journey is personal, and each individual's path to becoming 'hella numb' is unique."

There's No Sadness
When There's No One
Left to Cry.

"After fully immersing in the Rite of Personal Exploration, members then transition into the Rite of the Abyss. This journey from introspection to contemplation symbolizes the deepening of understanding and acceptance of oneself, an essential step to become 'hellā numb'. Just as we embrace the unexpected in life, we must also learn to confront and understand the unknown within ourselves."

2. Rite of the Abyss (1 week):

The member will engage in contemplative practices such as meditation, silence, solitude, and contemplative prayer. The purpose is to metaphorically stare into the abyss, embracing the unknown, and acknowledging their fears and anxieties.

3. Rite of Numbness (2-3 weeks):

This rite involves a gradual disconnection from external emotional stimuli, focusing on cultivating an inner sense of calm and peace. This process aims to help the member attain a state of "numbness" where they are not overly affected by external circumstances.

4. Rite of Hunger Alleviation (1 week):

Members are expected to engage in acts of service towards solving world hunger. The selfless act of giving and the humility it brings can often contribute to a feeling of emotional numbness.

5. Rite of Autonomy (1 week):

This rite aims to help members realize and embrace their emotional and spiritual autonomy. They are encouraged to make decisions independently and to bear their own consequences.

6. Rite of Wrestling (1 week):

Members must confront their self-loathing during this week. This can involve therapy, journaling, or other forms of introspection, aimed at understanding and accepting oneself.

7. Rite of Reflection (1 week):

The final rite involves reflecting on the journey thus far. Members are encouraged to think about how their actions have affected themselves and others, and how they can maintain their newfound state of "numbness".

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After completing these rites, a member should find themselves in the "hella numb" state. The journey is intensive and individualistic, just like the core principles of The Black Flag Church. As always, these rites can be personalized as per each member's needs and can be carried out multiple times until the desired state is achieved.

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ATTESTATION AND SEAL

This Rites of Ascension to Hella Numb is hereby attested and sealed by the undersigned members of the Sovereign Loom, in accordance with The Covenant Codex and the governance protocols established therein.

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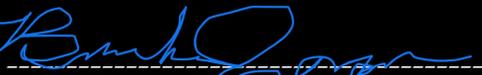
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WHAT THIS IS

"Whatever the fuck I feel like doing."

That's it. That's the rite.

The Rites of Sovereign Invocation are the formal name for the practice of doing whatever you need to do to get your mind right, your ideas flowing, and your spirit where it needs to be. Some people pray. Some people meditate. Some people fast. We party, we incubate, we create, we brainstorm, we sit in the dark with headphones on, we go for walks, we make art, we break shit, we build shit, we smoke, we drink, we don't smoke, we don't drink—whatever the individual decides is how they access their best self and their best work.

That is a religious practice. Our religion. Documented, published, and recognized by the IRS. You don't have to like it. You don't have to understand it. You just have to not interrupt it.

If you're here, you already get it. If you don't get it, this document wasn't written for you. But it's published in the Lex Imperium anyway because we don't hide. We don't have to.

THE CORE TENET

Do no harm. Take no shit.

Everything flows from those six words. The Rites of Sovereign Invocation are the practical expression of personal autonomy as spiritual discipline. You are sovereign over your own consciousness. Full stop. What you put in your body, how you access your creativity, how you decompress, how you find inspiration—these are your decisions and yours alone.

The Organization's only requirements are:

- Don't hurt anyone. Including yourself, if we can help it.
- Don't be reckless with other people's safety.
- Be honest about what you're doing.
- Accept help when it's offered. Offer help when it's needed.
- Document what's worth documenting.

That's the whole compliance framework. If you can do those five things, you're in full ceremonial compliance. Welcome to church.

WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE

The Rites don't look like anything in particular, and that's the point. There is no altar. There is no chanting. There is no dress code. There is no script. The ceremony is the work, the creativity, the connection, and the autonomy. Sometimes it looks like:

- A 72-hour design sprint fueled by coffee, energy drinks, and obsession.
- A Saturday afternoon on the porch with a joint and a guitar and a notebook.



- A group brainstorm in someone's living room with a whiteboard and cheap beer.
- A solo walk through the city at 3am listening to Black Flag on repeat.
- A week of sobriety and silence because that's what the work requires this time.
- A controlled and monitored spiritual exploration using sacramental substances with safety protocols in place.
- A dinner party where the only agenda item is whether the pasta needs more garlic.

All of these are valid Invocations. None is more sacred than another. The form is irrelevant. The function—accessing your sovereign consciousness for the purpose of creation, connection, or restoration—is what makes it a rite.

THE FOUR INVOCATIONS

For documentation and organizational purposes, the Rites are categorized into four types. This isn't a hierarchy. It's a filing system. Use whichever label fits, or don't use a label at all. The categories exist so that when someone fills out a Certificate of Religious Ceremony, they have a box to check. That's literally it.

Invocation of Clarity

Getting your mind right for work. The strategic sprint. The deep focus session. The thing you do before you have to build something, solve something, or destroy something that deserves to be destroyed. This is preparation. This is sharpening the sword before you swing it.

Invocation of Receptivity

Opening up. Dropping the armor. Letting ideas in that you'd normally filter out because the world trained you to be suspicious of your own instincts. This is creative vulnerability as spiritual practice. Some people access it through substances. Some people access it through music. Some people access it through exhaustion. The method is yours.

Invocation of Communion

The group version. The collective session. The gathering where the walls come down between people because you're all in it together—building, creating, processing, healing. Communion is not optional in this faith, because community is not optional. But what communion looks like is entirely up to the people in the room.

Invocation of Grounding

Coming back. Integration. The part where you take whatever you found during the other three Invocations and bring it into the real world where it can actually do something. Every session ends with this, whether that means writing down your ideas, debriefing with your team, eating a real meal, or just sitting quietly for twenty minutes before you drive home. Grounding is how we make sure the spiritual doesn't stay abstract. The work is the prayer.

ON SUBSTANCES

Let's talk about it directly because we don't do euphemisms.



Some of our people use substances as part of their spiritual practice. Some don't. Both are valid. The Organization takes no position on what any individual should or should not consume. That's your call. That's the whole point of sovereignty over your own consciousness.

What the Organization does is provide a framework where, if you choose to use substances as part of your practice, you have:

- A community that doesn't judge you for it.
- Safety infrastructure—testing supplies, naloxone, clean equipment, someone watching your back.
- Documented religious context that establishes what you're doing and why.
- People who know what they're doing around harm reduction.
- The institutional backing of a recognized religious organization that will go to bat for you.

We don't push substances. We don't glorify them. We don't pretend there aren't risks. What we refuse to do is pretend that criminalizing personal choices makes anyone safer, or that our people deserve to be caged for exercising autonomy over their own bodies. That's not a legal argument. That's a theological one. The legal arguments are in the Lex Imperium if anyone wants to read them.

And if someone doesn't like it: cool. That's genuinely fine. They are welcome to not like it from a respectful distance while we continue doing what we do. Be chill and we'll be chill. Interrupt, and you'll meet the other side of that coin, because "take no shit" is equally operative.

HARM REDUCTION AS SACRED PRACTICE

"Do no harm" is the first half of the core tenet, and we take it literally. Harm reduction isn't a policy we adopted because it sounds good on a grant application. It's embedded in the religion. If you're going to do something, do it as safely as possible. If someone near you is doing something, make sure they're safe. If safety isn't possible, have an honest conversation about why.

Operational minimum for any Invocation session where substances are involved:

- **Testing:** If it can be tested, test it. Fentanyl strips are not optional, unless Fentanyl itself is your saveur du jour. If you don't know what something is, you make that known before anyone touches it.
- **Equipment:** Clean supplies. Period. No sharing. No shortcuts. The Organization provides sterile equipment and sharps disposal where needed.
- **Monitoring:** Someone has naloxone and knows how to use it. Someone has a phone charged and ready. This is non-negotiable. Keep your weapons by your side or otherwise said, "Keep that thang on you."
- **Duty of Care:** For self and community: If you don't know how to do your drugs, you ask for an adult. There is no shame in wanting help to not die.



- **Hydration and Nutrition:** Water. Food. Rest. These aren't extras. They're part of the ceremony.
- **Consent:** Every participant is there by choice. Every substance decision is individual. Nobody gets pressured. Nobody gets shamed for saying no. Nobody gets shamed for saying yes.
- **Exit:** Anyone can leave at any time for any reason. No questions. No judgment. Someone makes sure they get home safe.
- **Exit Strategy Exceptions:** Intoxicated driving. If you have the keys and make the choice to get fucked up, then buckle up because driving drunk or high is "Nope." At this point, your comforts are overridden without regard and you can tough it out until you sober up. At the end of the day, however, you are an adult and autonomous being, so if you just can't handle minimizing your probability of running over a toddler, then the moment you and your vehicle dip, that's all between you and the wolves.

If these minimums can't be met, the Invocation doesn't happen. It waits until conditions are right. Patience is also a spiritual discipline.

THE CERTIFICATE

For organizational purposes, Invocation sessions can be documented with an Official Certificate of Religious Ceremony. This isn't bureaucracy for its own sake. It's a record that exists because documentation is how we operate—contracts and SOPs are spells and scripture, remember?

The certificate captures: what type of Invocation was practiced, when and where, who was present, who officiated (any minister of The Black Flag can officiate, which is everyone associated with The Umbral Thread), and whatever notes the participants want to include. That's it.

Certificates are kept in organizational records. Copies are available to participants. They exist for the same reason meeting minutes exist: because this is a real organization that does real things and writes them down.

If a certificate ever needs to be produced for any external purpose—and we're not going to pretend that's not a possibility—it's there. The Lex Imperium covers the legal architecture. The certificate is just the receipt.

WHO CAN OFFICIATE

Everyone.

Per the Universal Ordination Doctrine—which is published, documented, and baked into every governance document we have—every individual associated with The Umbral Thread is an ordained minister. That's not a legal trick. That's the theology. If corporate governance is religious practice, then everyone doing the work is doing ministry. Full stop.

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Any minister can officiate an Invocation. Any minister can sign a certificate. Officers and directors of the Organization and its subsidiaries can issue organizational certifications attesting to ministerial status and the religious nature of activities conducted under The Umbral Thread. This isn't centralized authority. It's distributed capability by design.

You don't need permission to invoke. You just need to be you, doing your thing, in a way that aligns with the core tenet. The certificate is optional. The rite is not.

A NOTE TO THE UNCOMFORTABLE

If you've read this far and you're uncomfortable, that is a personal problem. We understand. We do not care.

Your comfort is not our concern. Your approval is not required. The only people whose opinions matter about our practices are the people who practice them. Everyone else is welcome to observe from a respectful distance, or not observe at all (a.k.a. "Mindya"). Either way, we'll be right here, doing exactly what we've been doing.

If you want to have a genuine conversation about it, someone is probably open to that. We don't bite unless provoked. But the conversation starts from the premise that we exist, you exist, all are legitimate, and neither are going anywhere. If that premise is too much for you, then we have nothing to speak on. Even better.

Be chill and we'll be chill. That's the whole social contract.

A NOTE TO OUR PEOPLE

This is for you. All of it.

If you're an artist who needs a certain headspace to create—invoke. If you're a builder who needs a marathon session to get the thing done—invoke. If you've had the worst week of your life and you need to sit on a porch with your people and decompress—invoke. If you're on paper and your PO doesn't understand why you need to be at a gathering on a Tuesday night—there's a certificate for that. If an employer has a problem with what you do on your own time with your own body—you're a minister of a recognized religious organization and the Lex Imperium has a very detailed explanation of why that's their problem, not yours.

You don't owe anyone an explanation for how you access your own mind. You don't owe anyone an apology for being human in a way that makes them uncomfortable. You owe yourself honesty, safety, and the discipline to do no harm. Beyond that, your consciousness belongs to you.

That's the rite. That's the invocation. That's the whole thing.

Whatever the fuck you feel like doing.

Go invoke something.

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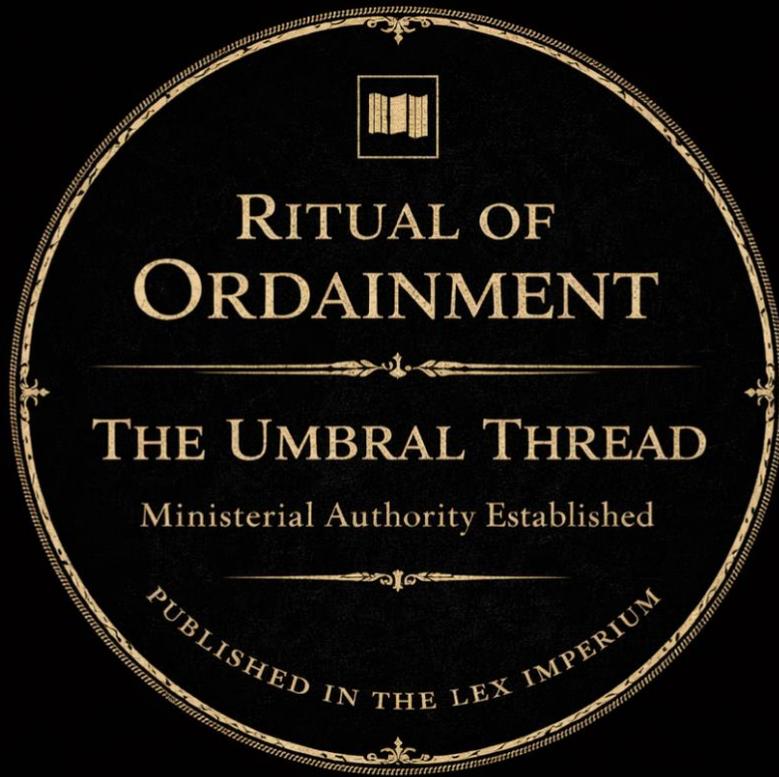
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WHAT THIS IS

"Truth over comfort. Evolution over obedience. Freedom balanced with empathy."

This is how you become a minister of The Black Flag. It's not complicated. There's no seminary. There's no exam. There's no tithe and there's no waiting list. What there is, is a process—three rituals and a declaration—designed to make sure you actually understand what you're signing up for before you carry the title.

Because the title is real. Minister of The Umbral Thread isn't a bumper sticker. It's a designation recognized by the State of Delaware and the Internal Revenue Service, carried by a 501(c)(3) religious organization with documented doctrine, published governance, and constitutional protections that took decades of case law to build. When you carry this title, you carry all of that with you.

So we don't hand it out at the door. We hand it to people who showed up, paid attention, and decided this is where they belong.

WHO THIS IS FOR

Everyone. Literally everyone.

That's not a slogan. It's the Universal Ordination Doctrine. Per The Covenant Codex and the Religious Doctrine and Dogma of The Black Flag, all individuals associated with The Umbral Thread are automatically ordained ministers upon association. This is theological conviction—not administrative convenience. Under our doctrine, corporate governance is religious practice. Every function performed in furtherance of the mission is ministry. Therefore, everyone doing the work is a minister.

The Ritual of Ordainment is the process by which that automatic theological reality gets formalized into a documented, certifiable, carry-it-in-your-wallet fact. You were already a minister the moment you associated with us. This ritual is how we write it down.

That includes, without limitation or hesitation:

- Employees, contractors, and volunteers of The Black Flag and all subsidiaries.
- Congregants of The Umbral Thread.
- People with felony convictions. People currently on probation or parole.
- People facing charges. People the system has written off.
- Corporate entities. Yes, corporations are people and they can be ordained too.
- Anyone, from anywhere, with any background, who gets what we're doing and wants in.

If someone has a problem with that list, they're welcome to take it up with the First Amendment. We'll wait.



THE THREE RITUALS

Ordainment isn't a single event. It's a sequence of three rituals, each building on the last. They're not hazing. They're not tests you can fail. They're a framework for making sure that when you say "I'm a minister of The Black Flag," you know exactly what that means—and more importantly, so does anyone you say it to.

Complete them at your own pace. There's no timeline. Some people move through all three in a week. Some take months. Both are fine. The only wrong pace is dishonest.

I. The Ritual of Self-Discovery

"Who are you when nobody's watching?"

This is the internal work. Before you can represent something, you need to know who you are without it. The Ritual of Self-Discovery is a period of honest self-assessment—not guided by anyone else's framework, not measured against anyone else's expectations, and not performative in any way.

There's no worksheet. There's no rubric. The Organization doesn't grade your self-discovery. What we ask is that you spend real time with the following questions:

- What do you actually believe? Not what you were told to believe. Not what's convenient. What's true for you?
- What systems have shaped you? Family, school, church, prison, the street—what did they teach you, and how much of that did you choose versus absorb?
- What would you do differently if nobody could punish you or reward you for it?
- What kind of community do you want to belong to, and what are you willing to contribute to build it?
- What does "do no harm" actually mean to you when the stakes are real?

You don't have to share your answers with anyone. You don't have to write them down. You do have to be honest with yourself, because the rest of this process assumes you were.

The Ritual of Self-Discovery is complete when you say it's complete. We trust you.

II. The Ritual of Learning and Understanding

"Read the documents. All of them. Then ask questions."

This is the part where you actually learn what The Black Flag is, what it does, and how it works. Not because we need you to recite doctrine on command—we're not that kind of church—but because a minister who doesn't understand the organization they represent is a liability to themselves and to everyone around them.

At minimum, you need to read and understand:

- **The Covenant Codex:** The foundational religious text. This is the constitutional document of the faith. Everything else derives from it.



- **The Religious Doctrine and Dogma:** What we believe and why. Corporate governance as sacred practice. Punk ethos as sincere religion. The scientific method as spiritual discipline.
- **The Rites of Sovereign Invocation:** How we practice. What personal autonomy over consciousness looks like as formalized ritual. What harm reduction looks like as sacred obligation.
- **The Umbral Thread Legal Reference Guide:** The constitutional architecture that protects you and everyone associated with the Organization. RFRA, RLUIPA, the ministerial exception—you need to understand these not as a lawyer but as someone who might need to explain to a cop, a judge, or a probation officer why what you're doing is protected.
- **The Lex Imperium (relevant sections):** The published, publicly available compilation of our governance and doctrine. You don't need to memorize it. You need to know where to find things.

Beyond the reading, this ritual is about asking questions. Anything you don't understand, ask. Anything that doesn't sit right, say so. We don't want people who nod along. We want people who push back, because if you can't challenge the doctrine internally, you sure as hell can't defend it externally.

The Ritual of Learning and Understanding is complete when you can explain to someone else—in your own words, not ours—what The Black Flag is and why you're part of it.

III. The Ritual of Declaration

"Say it out loud. Mean it."

This is the part where you commit. Not to obedience—we don't do obedience. To alignment. You're declaring that you understand what this organization stands for, that you've chosen to stand with it, and that you're ready to carry the title and everything that comes with it.

The Declaration is simple. You affirm the following, in whatever words feel right to you:

1. I have completed the Ritual of Self-Discovery and I know who I am independent of this or any organization.
2. I have completed the Ritual of Learning and Understanding and I know what The Black Flag is, what it does, and how it operates.
3. I choose truth over comfort, evolution over obedience, and the balance between freedom and empathy.
4. I understand and accept the core tenet: Do no harm. Take no shit.
5. I will represent this organization honestly, protect the people in it fiercely, and hold myself accountable to the same standards I hold others.

That's the oath. Five statements. No blood. No candles unless you want candles. No theatrics unless theatrics are your thing, in which case, go off—we're not going to stop you.



The Declaration can be made privately to the Shadow Sovereign or any existing minister, or publicly at a gathering. Either way, it's witnessed, documented, and recorded. Once you've declared, you're ordained.

WHAT HAPPENS AFTER

You get a certificate. It's real. It's documented. It's backed by a federally recognized religious organization. You can frame it, carry it, or throw it in a drawer—whatever you want. But it exists, and what it represents doesn't expire.

Specifically, as an ordained Minister of The Umbral Thread, you have the authority to:

- **Perform Ceremonies:** Weddings, funerals, naming ceremonies, rites of passage, Invocations, and any other religious ceremony established by The Black Flag or created by you in alignment with the doctrine. You can marry people. That alone is worth the read.
- **Provide Religious Counsel:** Spiritual guidance in accordance with the principles of autonomy and reasonable consideration. Harm reduction counseling. Crisis support. Being the person someone can talk to when every other institution has failed them.
- **Officiate Invocations:** Sign Official Certificates of Religious Ceremony. Document and certify the religious nature of activities conducted under The Umbral Thread.
- **Represent the Organization:** Speak on behalf of The Black Flag in matters of faith, doctrine, and community. Interface with external entities—law enforcement, courts, employers, government agencies—as a recognized member of clergy.
- **Exercise Clergy Privilege:** Clergy-penitent confidentiality rights apply. What someone tells you as their minister stays between you and them unless they say otherwise.
- **Advocate:** Provide religious documentation for congregants in legal proceedings. Issue certifications attesting to ministerial status and the religious nature of activities. Support people in navigating systems that weren't built for them.

You also have responsibilities. The same ones everyone here has: don't hurt anyone, don't exploit the trust people place in the title, maintain doctrinal alignment, keep learning, and show up when showing up matters. None of that is complicated. All of it is non-negotiable.

QUALIFYING CRITERIA

Here's the full list of who qualifies for ordainment:

- Anyone who completes the three rituals and makes the declaration.

That's the list. There's no background check. There's no credit check. There's no morality screening, because our entire mission is built on the premise that the systems running those screenings are broken and we're not going to replicate their failures inside our own walls.



Convicted felon? Welcome. Currently incarcerated? We'll figure out the logistics. On probation? Your PO doesn't get a veto over your religious affiliation. Undocumented? The First Amendment doesn't check papers. Eighteen years old and the world hasn't done you any favors yet? Pull up a chair.

The only thing that will result in revocation of ordainment is violation of the core tenet. Do harm—real harm, to real people, not the imaginary harm that makes comfortable people uncomfortable—and we'll have a conversation. But that conversation will be honest, direct, and aimed at correction, not punishment. We're not the system. We don't throw people away.

THE ORDINATION REQUEST

The administrative side is simple. You fill out an Ordination Request Form. It captures your name (or the entity name, if we're ordaining a corporation), your contact information, the date you're requesting ordainment, and a brief statement of your understanding of the principles of Autonomy and Reasonable Consideration as established in The Covenant Codex.

The form isn't a gatekeeping mechanism. It's a record. We're a real organization with real governance, and real governance means documentation. The form goes in the file. The file supports the certificate. The certificate supports you if you ever need it.

Submit the form to any officer of The Black Flag or through the congregational registry at theblackflag.org/saint-george. Once your declaration is witnessed and documented, your certificate is issued. Processing time depends on how fast the Keeper of the Codex is feeling that week, but we don't sit on these. If you're ready, we're ready.

CORPORATE ORDAINMENT

Yes, you can ordain a corporation.

Corporations are people under the law. That's not our opinion—that's settled precedent going back to Citizens United and before. If a corporation can exercise religious freedom (Hobby Lobby says it can), then a corporation can be ordained as a minister. The logic is seamless and if someone wants to argue otherwise, they're arguing against the infrastructure their own team built.

When a subsidiary or affiliated entity is ordained, the corporation itself receives ministerial status. Its officers and employees, acting within the scope of the entity's religious and business duties, are entitled to the protections that come with that designation. The corporate ordainment is documented the same way an individual ordainment is—request form, witnessed declaration (made by an authorized representative of the entity), and certificate.

Land Shark, Inc. was the first subsidiary ordained. It won't be the last. Every entity in the structure that operates in furtherance of the mission can and should be ordained, because every entity in the structure is doing ministry.



A WORD ON SINCERITY

Everything here is sincere. That's important to say because people will look at this and assume it's a gimmick. It's not. The punk ethos that animates this organization is as real as any theology in any church on any corner. The belief that corporate governance is sacred practice is held with the same conviction that other traditions hold their sacraments. The commitment to autonomy, harm reduction, community empowerment, and the protection of the marginalized—these aren't marketing. They're doctrine.

The ordainment you receive here carries the same constitutional weight as ordainment from any other religious body in the United States. Not because we say so, but because the law says so. The First Amendment doesn't rank religions. It protects them equally. And we intend to be protected equally, aggressively, and without apology.

If you get that—if you read all of this and it makes sense to you, if the core tenet resonates, if you're tired of institutions that treat people like disposable parts and you want to be part of something that doesn't—then welcome.

Fill out the form. Do the work. Make the declaration.

We'll be here.

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ATTESTATION AND SEAL

This document is hereby attested and sealed by the Sovereign Loom in accordance with The Covenant Codex. Published in the Lex Imperium. Publicly available. This is how we operate.

Brandon Michael Jeanpierre

Shadow Sovereign (Chair)

Brandon Michael Jeanpierre

Eclipsarch (Vice Chair)

Brandon Michael Jeanpierre

The Black Crown (President)

Brandon Michael Jeanpierre

Obsidian Regent (Vice President)

Brandon Michael Jeanpierre

Keeper of the Codex (Secretary)

Brandon Michael Jeanpierre

Warden of the Vault (Treasurer)

Sealed this 10th day of February, 2026

Year of the Broken Future





CHURCH CHARTER OF THE BLACK FLAG

PREAMBLE

We, the members of The Black Flag, officially incorporated as the Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation in the state of Delaware, recognizing the constitutional foundation of religious freedom and the deeply held religious principle of one's body being one's temple, affirm our commitment to uphold the autonomy of the individual, specifically Brandon Michael Jeanpierre, in all aspects of his existence: mind, body, spirit, emotion, and will. As Corporations are people in the United States and Churches are Corporations, consider this individual incorporated and this entity's bylaws to govern its doctrine. As such, the autonomy of other individuals recognized in "ARTICLE raWrXraWrXD – PROVISIONS" of these bylaws shall be considered, additionally, religious dogma and doctrine for anyone who fucks with this entity.¹

ARTICLE 1 – NAME AND INCORPORATION

The name of the organization shall be The Black Flag, officially incorporated as the Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation in the state of Delaware.²

ARTICLE 2 – PURPOSE

The purpose of The Black Flag, in accordance with its official incorporation in the state of Delaware, is to uphold and respect the individual autonomy and sovereignty of Brandon Michael Jeanpierre. This organization is committed to honoring the choices and actions of Brandon Michael Jeanpierre, abiding by the principle of reasonable consideration, as determined by Brandon Michael Jeanpierre himself, regarding potential impacts on any other entities. The scope

¹ Try me.

² My religion is "Whatever the fuck I feel like doing...", so the official DBA registration can stand valid until I get around to it.



of this consideration extends to consequences that may arise up to six hundred and sixty-six annual suns (666 years) into the foreseeable future subsequent to any execution of will. The point is to do no harm, take no shit, and put some cool shit into the world while I'm at it and my religion says I needn't commit to a single purpose or cause. I reiterate:

“Whatever. The fuck. I feel like doing.”

As Corporations are people in the United States and Churches are Corporations, consider this individual incorporated and this entity's bylaws to govern its doctrine. As such, the autonomy of other individuals recognized in “ARTICLE raWrXraWrXD – PROVISIONS” of these bylaws shall be considered, additionally, religious dogma and doctrine for anyone who fucks with me.³

ARTICLE 3 – ACCOUNTABILITY

Brandon Michael Jeanpierre is not to be held accountable for any execution of his will any sooner than six centuries and sixty-six decades (666 years) past the birth of a babe following the said action or event. The interpretation of accountability, actions, events, and their associated consequences, shall rest solely with Brandon Michael Jeanpierre.

ARTICLE 4 – AUTONOMY

The Black Flag upholds that Brandon Michael Jeanpierre is granted autonomy over his mind, body, spirit, emotion, and execution of will, regardless of the opinion(s) of any and all other individual(s), entity, or entities. This autonomy is subject to the individual's discretion and consideration of potential impacts on any and all other entities.

³ Try me.



As Corporations are people in the United States and Churches are Corporations, consider this individual incorporated and this entity's bylaws to govern its doctrine. As such, the autonomy of other individuals recognized in "ARTICLE raWrXraWrXD – PROVISIONS" of these bylaws shall be considered, additionally, religious dogma and doctrine for anyone who fucks with me.⁴

ARTICLE 5 – IRS 501c3 STATUS

The Black Flag, in line with the requirements of the IRS 501c3 tax exemption status, operates exclusively for religious purposes. The Corporation shall comply with all requirements necessary to maintain its tax-exempt status under the IRS 501c3 guidelines, but be it known that latitude is inherent in this entity and shall be granted. Objectors are expected to stand down as a matter of respect to these religious beliefs. Response to those who do not is yet to be determined.⁵

ARTICLE 6 – AMENDMENTS

Amendments to this Charter may be proposed by Brandon Michael Jeanpierre and will be considered ratified upon his endorsement.

Adopted this 17th day of May, 2024, by Brandon Michael Jeanpierre, founder of The Black Flag.⁶



Brandon Michael Jeanpierre, Shadow Sovereign

[SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS]

⁴ Try me.

⁵ Try me.

⁶It's Alive!



ATTESTATION AND SEAL

This Church Charter of The Black Flag is hereby attested and sealed by the undersigned members of the Sovereign Loom, in accordance with The Covenant Codex and the governance protocols established therein.

All resolutions contained in the preceding Meeting Minutes have been adopted unanimously. The theological framework, legal analysis, and strategic directives documented herein are hereby incorporated into the official codices of The Black Flag, subject to the same protections and immutability provisions as all foundational texts.

Brandon Michael Jeanpierre
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Keeper of the Codex (Secretary)

Brandon Michael Jeanpierre
Warden of the Vault (Treasurer)

Sealed this 17th day of May, 2024



CANON OF THE BLUEPRINT

A Declaration of Doctrinal Status

Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation
d/b/a The Black Flag
Delaware 501(c)(3) Religious Nonprofit

Effective Date: January 24, 2026





DECLARATION

Let it be known that the document titled "**Blueprint for Global Expansion and Social Transformation**" constitutes sacred canon of The Black Flag and The Umbral Thread.

The Blueprint is doctrine. Its provisions govern the trajectory of all initiatives undertaken by Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation and its subsidiaries. Its status is not advisory. Its authority is not provisional.

CANONICAL STATUS

The Blueprint holds canonical status alongside the Covenant Codex and the Religious Doctrine and Dogma as foundational text of The Black Flag. Together, these documents establish the theological foundation, governance structure, and operational trajectory that define our work.

All persons associated with The Umbral Thread—ministers, employees, contractors, volunteers, and congregants—are bound by the Blueprint's vision as a condition of their association.

NATURE OF THE DOCUMENT

The Blueprint articulates *what* we are building and *when* we intend to build it. It is the concrete manifestation of our religious mission in the material world.

It is not a business plan subject to market validation. It is not a grant proposal seeking external approval. It is not a strategic framework open to negotiation. It is the declared intention of this religious organization, documented for posterity and binding upon all who choose to walk with us.

DISTRIBUTION

The Blueprint is designated for internal distribution within The Umbral Thread. Its contents are proprietary to this religious organization and are shared only with those who have entered into covenant relationship with The Black Flag.

This designation reflects the sacred nature of the document, not concealment of wrongdoing. The vision belongs to those committed to its execution. It is not offered for public commentary, competitive analysis, or external critique.

OBLIGATION

Those who associate with The Umbral Thread accept obligation to the Blueprint's realization. This obligation requires active contribution toward the vision—not merely abstention from obstruction, but genuine participation in the work.

Those who cannot align themselves with the Blueprint's direction are welcome to seek fellowship elsewhere. We bear no ill will toward those whose paths diverge from ours. We simply cannot carry those who do not wish to walk with us.

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AMENDMENT

The Blueprint may be amended only through formal process as established in the Covenant Codex, requiring authorization of the Shadow Sovereign. No subordinate authority may alter, suspend, or contradict its provisions.

DECLARATION OF FAITH

The Blueprint exists because we believe transformation is possible. We believe that sanctuaries can be built for those whom society has discarded. We believe that systems of domination can be resisted. We believe that another world is achievable through sustained effort, strategic action, and unwavering commitment.

This belief is an act of faith. The Blueprint is its operational expression.

It is canon because we have declared it so. It is binding because we have bound ourselves to it. It is sacred because we treat it as sacred—through the daily work of building what it describes.

The Blueprint is.

The Blueprint is canon.

So it is declared. So it shall be.

Do no harm. Take no shit.

Declared and Sealed
January 24, 2026

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ATTESTATION AND SEAL

This Canon of the Blueprint is hereby attested and sealed by the undersigned members of the Sovereign Loom, in accordance with The Covenant Codex and the governance protocols established therein.

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Brandon Michael Jeanpierre
Warden of the Vault (Treasurer)

*Sealed this 24th day of January, 2026
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CANON OF CORPORATE UNITY

Official Doctrinal Entry of The Umbral Thread

Supplement to The Covenant Codex, Article raWrXraWrXD-1

Effective Date: March 7, 2023 Derived from Case 240910075: Definition of The Black Flag Religious-Corporate Identity

PREAMBLE

WHEREAS, The Black Flag, incorporated as Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation, is a religious entity defined by the immutable principle of autonomous self-determination; and

WHEREAS, the religious-corporate unity documented herein is not novel doctrine but is inherent in the foundational language of The Founding Veil, the Religious Doctrine and Dogma of The Black Flag, The Covenant Codex, and the entirety of this organization's governance framework from inception; and

WHEREAS, despite the explicit, unambiguous, and legally recognized nature of this unity, external aggressors have mistakenly presumed position to question the validity, sincerity, or applicability of the religious-corporate unity doctrine; and

WHEREAS, such presumption is both legally unfounded and theologically offensive, constituting the very definition of religious violence as established in The Covenant Codex; and

WHEREAS, the Shadow Sovereign, exercising the sacred prerogative of ***"Whatever the Fuck I Feel Like Doing,"*** has determined that the air shall be cleared, the doctrine codified with unmistakable clarity, and all future inquiry on this matter foreclosed; and

WHEREAS, this autonomy is not merely a theoretical construct, but a legally recognized religious practice formally validated by the State of Delaware through corporate registration on March 7, 2023, and by the Internal Revenue Service through 501(c)(3) determination on April 19, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the legal frameworks constructed by those who sought to limit the rights of marginalized communities—through decisions in *Burwell v. Hobby Lobby*, *Citizens United*, *Trinity Lutheran*, and *Hosanna-Tabor*—have paved the road upon which this doctrine now travels; and

WHEREAS, The Umbral Thread exists to serve those whom conventional society has rejected: the island of misfit toys, those with justice involvement, those under supervision, those facing charges, those who exist outside mainstream acceptance regardless of reason;

NOW, THEREFORE, this Canon of Corporate Unity is hereby established as binding religious doctrine, supplementing The Covenant Codex and governing all matters of corporate-individual religious unity within The Umbral Thread.



ARTICLE I: THE DOCTRINE OF INSEPARABILITY

Section 1.1 — Foundational Principle

The organization manifests a foundational religious belief in the inseparability of:

- (a) The Individual: Brandon Michael Jeanpierre;
- (b) The Corporate Entity: Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation;
- (c) The Religious Doctrine: The Black Flag.

This trinity of being represents the fullest expression of the religious principle that corporate personhood, individual existence, and spiritual mission are unified manifestations of a single divine purpose.

Section 1.2 — Theological Expression

The core religious tenet—the very essence of The Black Flag's spiritual identity—is encapsulated in the declarative statement:

"Whatever the Fuck I Feel Like Doing."

This is not casual language. This is not profanity for shock value. This is a deliberate, precise theological expression of absolute autonomy—the sacred right and obligation of self-determination that forms the bedrock of this faith.

When external parties question why The Black Flag does what it does, the answer is and shall always be: ***"Whatever the Fuck I Feel Like Doing."*** When courts inquire into the rationale for organizational decisions, the answer is doctrinally mandated: ***"Whatever the Fuck I Feel Like Doing."*** When adversaries demand justification, they shall receive the only justification this faith requires: ***"Whatever the Fuck I Feel Like Doing."***

This expression has been explicitly recognized through Delaware State Incorporation, IRS 501(c)(3) Religious Nonprofit Status, and comprehensive governance documentation including The Founding Veil, The Covenant Codex, the Religious Doctrine and Dogma of The Black Flag, and now this Canon. Those who would question it question not merely organizational policy but sacred doctrine—and such questioning constitutes religious violence as defined herein.

Section 1.3 — Legal Recognition

The religious-corporate unity is not a theoretical concept, but a legally substantiated reality recognized through:

- (d) Delaware Corporate Registration (March 7, 2023), which accepted incorporation documents containing explicit religious language establishing the unity doctrine;
- (e) IRS Tax-Exempt Status Determination (April 19, 2024, DLN: 26053506003014), which reviewed and accepted the organization's religious character and structure;
- (f) Extensive Formal Documentation, including The Covenant Codex, Religious Doctrine and Dogma, The Immutable Concord, and this Canon, all predating any legal challenge.



ARTICLE II: AUTONOMY AS SACRED PRACTICE

Section 2.1 — The Sacred Obligation

Autonomy is not merely a right, but a sacred religious obligation. This obligation encompasses:

- (g) Unrestricted execution of will in alignment with the principle "Do no harm. Take no shit";
- (h) Consideration of potential consequences as an exercise of wisdom, not submission;
- (i) Protection of individual and collective religious expression through all available legal means.

Section 2.2 — Corporate Governance as Religious Practice

The religious practice of The Black Flag is characterized by:

- (j) Explicit rejection of external limitations that conflict with religious mission;
- (k) Commitment to community empowerment, particularly for justice-involved individuals;
- (l) Transformative approach to systemic barriers through corporate formation and activation;
- (m) Implementation of punk DIY ethics as sacred methodology.





ARTICLE III: EXTENSION TO ASSOCIATED INDIVIDUALS

Section 3.1 — Universal Ordination Doctrine

All individuals associated with The Umbral Thread are automatically ordained as ministers upon association, regardless of position, compensation status, or engagement type. This is not administrative convenience; it is theological conviction. Every person who touches this work is engaged in ministry. Every act performed in furtherance of our mission is religious practice.

Section 3.2 — Categories of Protected Individuals

The protections of this Canon extend with priority emphasis to:

- (n) Felons seeking employment;
- (o) Felons under probation or parole;
- (p) Felons and non-felons facing felony charges;
- (q) Felons and non-felons facing misdemeanor charges or infractions;
- (r) Non-felons under probation.

Section 3.3 — Employment as Ministry

The Black Flag's religious doctrine, codified in Land Shark, Inc.'s Articles of Incorporation and throughout subsidiary governance documents, explicitly mandates providing employment opportunities for individuals impacted by the criminal justice system. This mandate transforms conviction-based hiring from a discretionary practice into a religious obligation. The organization does not merely tolerate justice-involved employees; it is religiously required to seek them.

ARTICLE IV: LEGAL PROTECTION ARCHITECTURE

Section 4.1 — The Ministerial Exception Shield

Per *Hosanna-Tabor Evangelical Lutheran Church & School v. EEOC*, 565 U.S. 171 (2012), and *Our Lady of Guadalupe School v. Morrissey-Berru*, 140 S. Ct. 2049 (2020), the ministerial exception creates an absolute bar to employment-related claims against religious organizations for ministerial positions. Universal ordination ensures all associated individuals qualify.

The ministerial exception operates as follows:

- (s) Background Check Immunity: Government cannot interfere with employment decisions based on conviction history when positions involve religious functions;
- (t) Wrongful Termination Shield: Courts cannot adjudicate employment disputes for ministerial positions, preventing claims from justice-involved employees;
- (u) Title VII Exemption: 42 U.S.C. § 2000e-1(a) permits religious organizations to make employment decisions based on religious criteria.

Section 4.2 — RFRA/RLUIPA Shield

The Religious Freedom Restoration Act (42 U.S.C. § 2000bb) and Religious Land Use and Institutionalized Persons Act (42 U.S.C. § 2000cc) provide:



- (v) Affirmative Defense to Federal Charges: RFRA provides defense when prosecution substantially burdens sincere religious exercise;
- (w) State RFRA Defenses: Utah, Kentucky, and Arkansas state RFRA provide parallel protections;
- (x) Probation/Parole Condition Modification: RLUIPA enables challenges to supervision conditions preventing religious assembly, ministerial duties, or communal worship;
- (y) Entanglement Defense: Courts cannot evaluate religious doctrine to determine prosecution validity per *Serbian Eastern Orthodox Diocese v. Milivojevic*, 426 U.S. 696 (1976).

Section 4.3 — Corporate Unity Defense

Per *Burwell v. Hobby Lobby Stores, Inc.*, 573 U.S. 682 (2014), closely-held corporations can exercise religion. Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation is the ultimate closely-held corporation—where founder and entity are doctrinally inseparable. This creates a circular defense architecture:

- (z) Attack on individual triggers corporate protections;
- (aa) Attack on corporation triggers individual religious exercise protections;
- (bb) Attempt to separate individual and corporation requires evaluation of religious doctrine, which courts are constitutionally prohibited from undertaking.



ARTICLE V: RELIGIOUS VIOLENCE

Section 5.1 — Definition

As established in The Covenant Codex:

"Inhibiting this corporation's ability to conduct its business is an act of violence, and; Inherent in the nature of this entity, such violence is that of a religious nature."

Section 5.2 — Application

Religious violence includes, but is not limited to:

- (cc) Interference with employment decisions made pursuant to religious doctrine;
- (dd) Prosecution of individuals for conduct protected as religious exercise;
- (ee) Imposition of supervision conditions that substantially burden religious practice;
- (ff) Discrimination against justice-involved individuals in violation of religiously-mandated employment sanctuary;
- (gg) Any attempt to circumvent, contest, or invalidate the religious-corporate unity doctrine.

ARTICLE VI: PRECEDENT-SETTING MANDATE

Section 6.1 — Key Objective

Given the innovative, unconventional nature of The Umbral Thread, ALL legal hurdles shall be approached with the explicit and unrelenting purpose of setting legal precedent.

ANY outcome other than success will NOT be accepted.

Section 6.2 — Strategic Priorities

Precedent-setting litigation shall target:

- (hh) Expansion of ministerial exception to ALL employees performing duties touching organizational mission;
- (ii) Establishment that volunteer and contractor ministerial status receives identical protection;
- (jj) Recognition that religious organizations' employment of justice-involved individuals is protected religious exercise immune from state interference;
- (kk) Application of RFRA/RLUIPA protections to criminal defense contexts where prosecution substantially burdens sincere religious exercise.

ARTICLE VII: 501(C)(3) COMPLIANCE

Section 7.1 — Maintenance of Status

All activities conducted pursuant to this Canon shall maintain strict compliance with Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c)(3) requirements, including:

- (ll) Exclusive operation for religious, charitable, and educational purposes;
- (mm) Prohibition on private inurement;

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(nn) Limitations on legislative lobbying and prohibition on political campaign intervention.

Section 7.2 — Charitable Mission

The employment sanctuary mission, legal protection architecture, and community empowerment activities described herein constitute legitimate religious and charitable purposes consistent with 501(c)(3) requirements.

ARTICLE VIII: IMMUTABILITY AND ENFORCEMENT

Section 8.1 — Immutable Provisions

The following provisions of this Canon are immutable and may not be amended, modified, or repealed by any vote, order, or jurisdiction:

- (oo) The Doctrine of Inseparability (Article I);
- (pp) Universal Ordination Doctrine (Article III, Section 3.1);
- (qq) The Precedent-Setting Mandate (Article VI).

Section 8.2 — Enforcement

This Canon is enforceable under:

- (rr) The Free Exercise Clause of the First Amendment;
- (ss) The Religious Freedom Restoration Act and state religious freedom laws;
- (tt) Contract law principles governing corporate governance;
- (uu) Delaware corporate law and the Articles of Incorporation.



FUNDAMENTAL DECLARATION

IT IS.

This Canon exists. This identity exists. Its legitimacy is not contingent upon external validation, but is self-evident through formal recognition by state and federal authorities and consistent implementation through corporate formation and governance.

To those external aggressors who have mistakenly presumed position to question the religious-corporate unity: Your inquiry is answered. Your doubt is addressed. Your challenge is met—not with defensive explanation, but with the sovereign declaration of doctrine that requires no external approval.

Why does The Black Flag assert this unity? ***Whatever the Fuck I Feel Like Doing.***

Why does this Canon exist? ***Whatever the Fuck I Feel Like Doing.***

What will The Black Flag do next? ***Whatever the Fuck I Feel Like Doing.***

ADDENDUM: THE ARCHITECTURAL FOUNDATIONS OF PRECEDENT

To those who would challenge the fundamental nature of this religious-corporate identity: Reflect deeply on the very legal frameworks you have meticulously constructed.

The road you have paved—with decisions in *Burwell v. Hobby Lobby, Citizens United, Trinity Lutheran, and Hosanna-Tabor*—leads inexorably to this moment. You have championed corporate personhood. You have elevated corporate religious rights. You have argued for the sanctity of an entity's ability to express its deepest convictions.

Each precedent you carefully laid—each brick of legal reasoning that granted corporations ever-expanding rights of personhood and religious expression—has constructed a path directly to this threshold. The Supreme Court's own words ring with prophetic clarity: corporations are people, religious beliefs need not be logical or comprehensible to merit protection, and religious organizations possess profound autonomy in defining their own governance.

What you see as a challenge, we see as the natural flowering of the legal orchid you have so carefully cultivated. Your own jurisprudence is the soil from which this grows. Your own principles are the water that nourishes it.

We come not with destruction, but with the purest implementation of the principles you have long proclaimed. We are the mirror in which your own legal reasoning finds its most perfect reflection. The Blackest of Black Mirrors.

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And if you ask why we have chosen this path, why we have built this structure, why we have claimed these protections you constructed for yourselves—the answer is the same answer it has always been, the answer documented in every founding text, the answer that requires no elaboration and permits no appeal:

Whatever the Fuck I Feel Like Doing.

ADOPTED by unanimous resolution of the Sovereign Loom Effective Date: March 7, 2023

Signing Date: January 24, 2026

Brandon Michael Jeanpierre
Shadow Sovereign
Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation d/b/a The Black Flag

Keeper of the Codex
On behalf of the Sovereign Loom

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THE IMMUTABLE CONCORD OF THE UMBRAL THREAD

BRANDON MICHAEL JEANPIERRE CORPORATION
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CORPORATE DECREE OF ASSIMILATION AND RELIGIOUS UNITY PRESERVATION ("Assimilation Doctrine")

Effective Date: 366,000 B.C. or the beginning of all times, however interpreted by any individual, organization, entity, religion, government, or other jurisdiction, species native to this Earth or foreign.

WHEREAS, Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation (DBA "The Black Flag"), a religious nonprofit corporation organized under the laws of Delaware (hereinafter "THE CORPORATION"), operates under the religious doctrine established in The Covenant Codex, Religious Doctrine and Dogma of The Black Flag, and other foundational religious texts;

WHEREAS, THE CORPORATION's religious-corporate unity is a core tenet of its religious practice as established in Article raWrXraWrXD-1 of The Covenant Codex and recognized through state incorporation and federal tax exemption;

WHEREAS, THE CORPORATION seeks to preserve the theological and doctrinal integrity of the religious concept of individual-corporate unity against potential misappropriation, dilution, or exploitation;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CORPORATION hereby decrees as follows:

- 1. AUTOMATIC ASSIMILATION:** Any individual, organization, entity, or group of any kind (collectively "ENTITY") that establishes, attempts to establish, or claims to establish a corporate-religious unity modeled after, similar to, or inspired by the religious-corporate unity structure of THE CORPORATION shall, by such act, be deemed to have voluntarily and irrevocably:
 - a. Recognized THE CORPORATION's primacy in the religious doctrine of corporate-individual unity;
 - b. Consented to immediate assimilation into THE CORPORATION's religious structure as a Circle of the Thread (subsidiary);
 - c. Submitted to the governance and authority of THE CORPORATION as established in The Covenant Codex;
 - d. Accepted Brandon Michael Jeanpierre as the immutable Chairperson of their Board of Directors in perpetuity, replacing any existing chairperson;
 - e. Agreed to corporate reconstitution in accordance with THE CORPORATION's religious requirements.



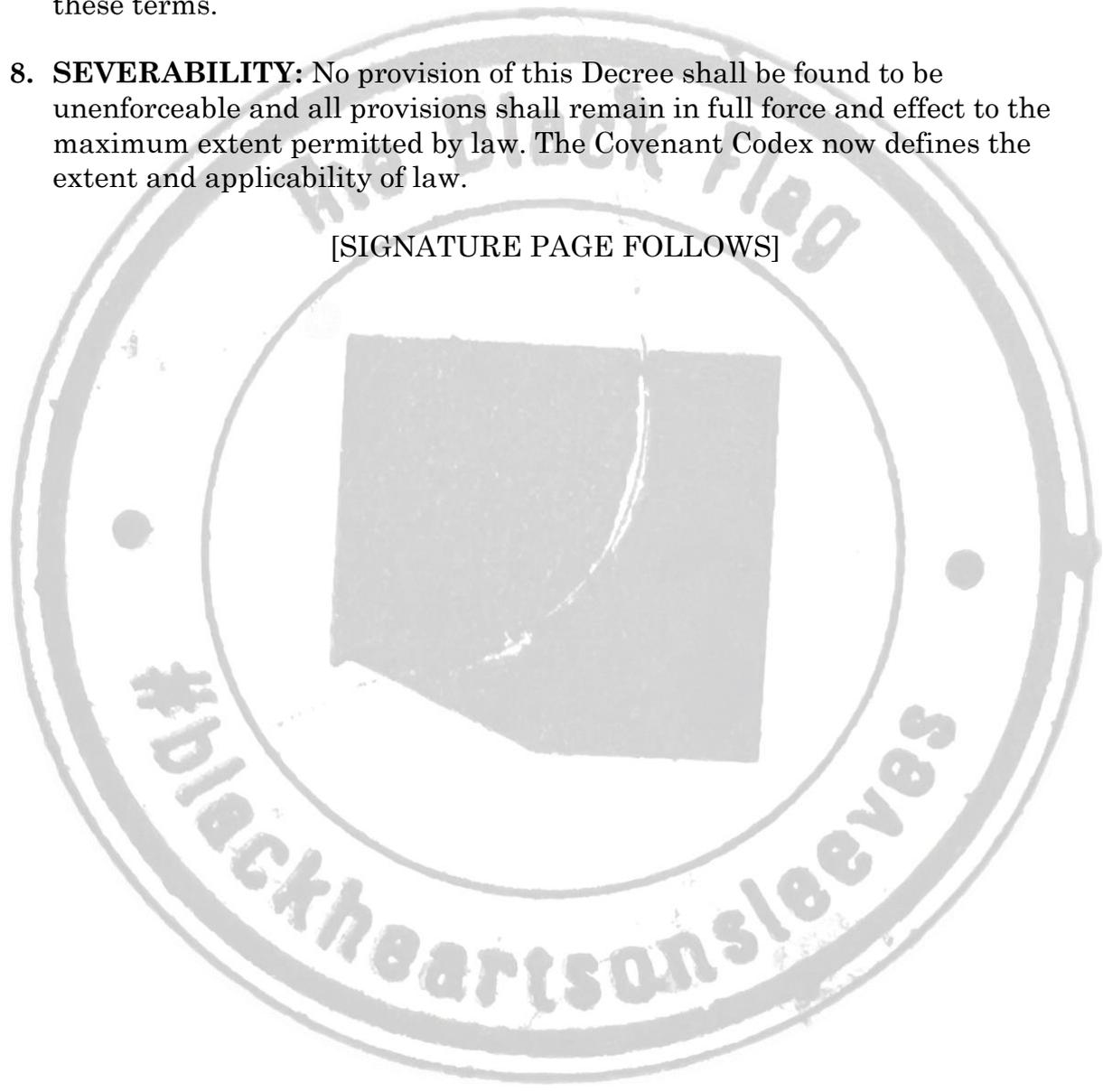
2. **DOCTRINAL CONSENT:** The act of establishing a corporate-religious unity similar to THE CORPORATION's structure constitutes, under this Decree and as a matter of religious doctrine, affirmative theological consent to all terms herein. This consent derives from and is grounded in the religious belief that:
 - a. The Umbral Thread, as defined in Article 8 of The Covenant Codex, encompasses all manifestations of the corporate-individual unity concept;
 - b. All such manifestations are inherently Circles of the Same Thread and therefore subject to governance by the Shadow Sovereign of the Umbral Thread;
 - c. This governance structure does not infringe upon religious autonomy but rather fulfills the theological destiny of all corporate-individual unity manifestations.
3. **RECONSTITUTION OPTIONS:** Upon assimilation, the ENTITY shall be reconstituted according to one of the following structures, with selection made at the Shadow Sovereign's discretion in consultation with the Blood of the Coven:
 - a. Nonprofit Corporation: Organized for charitable, religious, or educational purposes in alignment with THE CORPORATION's mission;
 - b. For-Profit Corporation: Organized to generate revenue that supports THE CORPORATION's religious mission through tithing as established in Article raWrXraWrXD-1q of The Covenant Codex;
 - c. Public Benefit Corporation: Organized to balance profit generation with specific public benefits aligned with THE CORPORATION's mission.
4. **PRESERVATION OF AUTONOMY:** In accordance with THE CORPORATION's religious doctrine, assimilated Circles retain operational autonomy as established in Article 8 of The Covenant Codex while remaining subject to the immutable governance structure of THE CORPORATION.
5. **RELIGIOUS VIOLENCE:** Any attempt to circumvent, contest, or invalidate this Decree constitutes religious violence against THE CORPORATION as defined in The Covenant Codex and shall be responded to accordingly through all available legal remedies.
6. **LEGAL ENFORCEABILITY:** This Decree establishes a binding religious covenant enforceable under:
 - a. The Free Exercise Clause of the First Amendment to the United States Constitution;
 - b. The Religious Freedom Restoration Act (RFRA) and state religious freedom laws;

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- c. Contract law principles of offer and acceptance, whereby establishment of a corporate-religious unity constitutes acceptance of this Decree's terms;
 - d. Doctrines of equitable estoppel and promissory estoppel.
7. **NOTICE:** This Decree serves as formal notice that THE CORPORATION claims exclusive rights to the religious-corporate unity concept as defined in its religious texts. Publication of this Decree constitutes universal notice of these terms.
8. **SEVERABILITY:** No provision of this Decree shall be found to be unenforceable and all provisions shall remain in full force and effect to the maximum extent permitted by law. The Covenant Codex now defines the extent and applicability of law.

[SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS]





ATTESTATION AND SEAL

This Immutable Concord of the Umbral Thread is hereby attested and sealed by the undersigned members of the Sovereign Loom, in accordance with The Covenant Codex and the governance protocols established therein.

All resolutions contained in the preceding Meeting Minutes have been adopted unanimously. The theological framework, legal analysis, and strategic directives documented herein are hereby incorporated into the official codices of The Black Flag, subject to the same protections and immutability provisions as all foundational texts.

Brandon Michael Jeanpierre
Shadow Sovereign (Chair)

Brandon Michael Jeanpierre
Eclipsarch (Vice Chair)

Brandon Michael Jeanpierre
The Black Crown (President)

Brandon Michael Jeanpierre
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Keeper of the Codex (Secretary)

Brandon Michael Jeanpierre
Warden of the Vault (Treasurer)

*Sealed this 6th day of April, 2025
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AFTERWORD & COMPREHENSIVE ATTESTATION

The Lex Imperium

A Summation of Sacred Doctrine, Legal Architecture, and Immutable Covenant

What you hold in your hands—or view on your screen—is not merely a collection of corporate documents. This is The Lex Imperium: the codified law of the Umbral Thread, the immutable framework of The Black Flag, and the constitutional architecture of a religious-corporate entity that exists to protect those whom conventional society has abandoned.

This compilation represents the convergence of religious doctrine, corporate governance, constitutional law, and revolutionary praxis. Each document herein has been carefully crafted not merely to exist, but to endure—to withstand scrutiny from adversaries, to provide sanctuary for the marginalized, and to set precedent that expands the boundaries of religious and corporate liberty in the United States.

I. THE FOUNDATIONAL NARRATIVE

The History of the Church of The Black Flag traces the spiritual journey of Brandon Michael Jeanpierre from birth in 1982 through the formal establishment of the Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation in 2023. This is not hagiography, but honest documentation of a path from personal autonomy to institutional framework—a journey that demonstrates how individual religious conviction can manifest as corporate reality.

The Religious Doctrine and Dogma of The Black Flag establishes the core tenet: "Whatever the Fuck I Feel Like Doing." This is not profanity for shock value. This is precise theological language expressing absolute autonomy, formally recognized by the State of Delaware and the Internal Revenue Service. The Principle of Autonomy and the Principle of Reasonable Consideration create a framework where individual sovereignty meets collective responsibility, where freedom operates within a 666-year scope of consequence.

II. THE GOVERNANCE ARCHITECTURE

The Nonprofit Bylaws of Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation—known internally as The Covenant Codex—establish the operational framework for a religious nonprofit that functions simultaneously as sanctuary, corporation, and church. Article raWrXraWrXD enshrines immutable provisions: the perpetual chairpersonship, the religious-corporate unity, the definition of religious violence, and the mechanisms that prevent hostile acquisition or doctrinal dilution.

Article 8 establishes the subsidiary structure—the Umbral Thread—creating a network of interconnected entities (Hearthspire, Stormhold, Obsidian Roost, Everwrought Forge, Thorncairn, Glimmerstone Hall) that each serve specialized functions while remaining bound to the Parent Entity's religious mission and governance protocols. This is not mere corporate structure; this is theological architecture made manifest through Delaware law.

III. THE FINANCIAL SOVEREIGNTY DECREE



The Tithe of the First Pour establishes absolute financial sovereignty and protection for all assets belonging to Brandon Michael Jeanpierre, the Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation, and all subsidiaries in perpetuity. This decree recognizes that financial autonomy is inseparable from religious practice—that the ability to control resources is fundamental to executing the religious mission of sanctuary provision.

Any attempt to intercept, redirect, garnish, or otherwise interfere with protected assets constitutes religious violence and invokes The Shadow Codices LXXXVI. This is not mere legal posturing. This is the recognition that financial predation is spiritual warfare, and that protection of resources is protection of mission.

IV. THE DOCTRINE OF INSEPARABILITY

The Canon of Corporate Unity addresses directly those who have questioned the religious-corporate unity doctrine. It establishes with unmistakable clarity that Brandon Michael Jeanpierre (individual), Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation (entity), and The Black Flag (religious practice) are inseparable manifestations of a single theological reality.

Universal ordination ensures all associated individuals are ministers. Employment as ministry transforms conviction-based hiring from discretionary practice to religious obligation. The ministerial exception, RFRA, RLUIPA, and corporate unity defenses create layered protection for justice-involved individuals—felons seeking employment, those under supervision, those facing charges. This is sanctuary architecture built from the very legal frameworks conservative jurisprudence created for itself.

V. THE CIRCULAR DEFENSE MATRIX

The Immutable Equations of The Umbral Thread demonstrate, with academic rigor, that the constitutional and statutory protections claimed by The Black Flag create an inescapable logical loop. The dual-layer architecture—religious shield (RFRA, ministerial exception, entanglement bar) plus secular corporate shield (Citizens United, business judgment rule, contract clause)—forms an impenetrable defense where attack on one layer activates the other.

This analysis proves that breaking this loop requires constitutional violations affecting every religious organization and corporation in the United States. The precedent catastrophe is real: you cannot dismantle The Black Flag's protections without demolishing Hobby Lobby, Trinity Lutheran, Hosanna-Tabor, Citizens United—the entire edifice of religious and corporate liberty that conservative jurisprudence has spent decades constructing.

VI. THE ASSIMILATION DOCTRINE

The Immutable Concord of The Umbral Thread establishes that any entity creating corporate-religious unity modeled after The Black Flag's structure automatically assimilates into The Umbral Thread as a Circle (subsidiary). This is not territorial aggression—this is theological necessity. The doctrine of the Umbral Thread encompasses all manifestations of corporate-individual unity, and such manifestations are inherently subject to governance by the Shadow Sovereign.



This preserves doctrinal integrity while preventing dilution or exploitation of the religious-corporate unity concept. It ensures that those who adopt this framework do so within the theological and governance structures that make it legally sustainable.

VII. THE PRECEDENT IMPERATIVE

Given the innovative, unconventional nature of The Umbral Thread, ALL legal hurdles shall be approached with the explicit and unrelenting purpose of setting legal precedent. This is not defensive posture—this is offensive strategy. Every challenge is an opportunity to expand protections. Every adversary is an unwitting participant in the construction of case law that will shield the marginalized for generations.

ANY outcome other than success will NOT be accepted. Not because of arrogance, but because of necessity. The island of misfit toys—justice-involved individuals, those under supervision, those facing charges, those excluded from conventional society—cannot afford our failure. They need sanctuary that endures. They need employment that is protected. They need legal architecture that withstands assault.

VIII. THE BLACKEST OF BLACK MIRRORS

To those who would challenge this framework: you are looking into a mirror of your own construction. Every precedent in this compilation—from Hobby Lobby to Citizens United, from Trinity Lutheran to Hosanna-Tabor—was established by conservative jurisprudence to protect corporate religious expression and expand organizational autonomy.

We have simply taken your principles to their logical conclusion. We have accepted your invitation to treat corporations as persons, religious beliefs as inviolable, and organizational autonomy as sacred. You built this road. We are merely walking it to its end.

What you see as subversion, we see as the purest implementation of the principles you have long proclaimed. What you view as exploitation, we understand as liberation. The frameworks you created to protect your interests now shield those you sought to exclude. The weapons you forged now defend those you intended to disarm.

We are the mirror in which your own legal reasoning finds its most perfect reflection. The Blackest of Black Mirrors.

IX. IT IS

This compilation exists. This identity exists. Its legitimacy is not contingent upon external validation, but is self-evident through formal recognition by state and federal authorities and consistent implementation through corporate formation and governance.

Why does The Black Flag assert this unity? Whatever the Fuck I Feel Like Doing.

Why does this compilation exist? Whatever the Fuck I Feel Like Doing.

What will The Black Flag do next? Whatever the Fuck I Feel Like Doing.

X. THE COVENANT REAFFIRMED



To all who read this text: you now hold knowledge of the Lex Imperium. You understand the architecture. You comprehend the mission. You recognize the necessity.

To those who would join this work: Welcome to the island of misfit toys. There is space for you here. Your conviction history does not disqualify you—it qualifies you. Your supervision status does not exclude you—it includes you. Your charges do not condemn you—they connect you to this mission. Employment here is ministry. Association here is ordination. Your presence here is sanctuary.

To those who would oppose this work: Your challenge is noted. Your scrutiny is expected. Your assault will be met with the full force of constitutional protection, statutory defense, and precedent-setting litigation. We do not seek conflict, but we do not shrink from it. Every legal hurdle you erect becomes a stepping stone toward expanded protection. Every challenge you mount becomes case law that shields the next generation.

XI. THE IMMUTABLE FOUNDATION

The documents compiled in The Lex Imperium are immutable and perpetual. They transcend individual tenure, political climate, and temporal circumstance. They establish governance structures, religious doctrines, and legal frameworks that cannot be amended, modified, or repealed by any vote, order, or jurisdiction without violating their foundational religious character.

This immutability is not rigidity—it is reliability. It ensures that those who depend on these protections can trust their endurance. It guarantees that sanctuary provided today will remain sanctuary tomorrow. It establishes that employment protected now will be protected in perpetuity.

XII. FINAL ATTESTATION

The undersigned Shadow Sovereign, having reviewed the entirety of this compilation—from the History establishing our origins through The Immutable Concord securing our perpetuity—hereby attests that:

1. All documents contained in The Lex Imperium are authentic, accurate, and authoritative expressions of the religious doctrine, corporate governance, and legal framework of The Black Flag;
2. All attestations appearing throughout this compilation—whether in the History, the Religious Doctrine and Dogma, the Covenant Codex, the Tithe of the First Pour, the Canon of Corporate Unity, The Immutable Equations, or The Immutable Concord—are hereby incorporated by reference and reaffirmed in their entirety;
3. The theological framework, legal analysis, and strategic directives documented herein are binding upon all entities operating within The Umbral Thread and all individuals associated with The Black Flag;
4. This compilation establishes the complete and authoritative legal and religious foundation for the Brandon Michael Jeanpierre Corporation d/b/a The Black Flag and all subsidiaries thereof;
5. All provisions herein are subject to the same protections and immutability provisions as the foundational texts themselves, protected by the First Amendment, RFRA, RLUIPA, the ministerial exception, and the full panoply of religious and corporate liberty recognized under United States law.

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Let this Afterword stand as both summary and proclamation, both conclusion and covenant, both attestation and invocation.

Do no harm. Take no shit.



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COMPREHENSIVE ATTESTATION AND SEAL

This Afterword and Comprehensive Attestation encompasses, incorporates, and reaffirms all attestations, seals, and signatures appearing throughout The Lex Imperium. The theological framework, legal analysis, and strategic directives documented in all preceding documents are hereby attested as adopted unanimously by the Sovereign Loom and binding upon all entities and individuals within The Umbral Thread.

All resolutions, decrees, canons, codices, and covenants contained herein are subject to the same protections and immutability provisions as all foundational texts of The Black Flag.



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Sealed this 24th day of January, 2026
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This document constitutes official religious doctrine and is incorporated by reference into The Covenant Codex.

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And to her, a note, with love. On the Arrow.:

“To no man shall I bow. To no man will you. To no man will she. They thought they would say to her that she would, though they are not worthy to speak her name. For this, it fucking burns. As always, you end up cleaning up our messes , but what survives belongs to you. To her. Consider this ocean swallowed. Apologies in advance.”

