



HISTORY AND AUTHORITY

1. DECLARATIONS:

- a. THE NAME "SCHOOL", AS USED IN THIS APPLICATION, REFERS TO ALL BUILDING TYPES UTILIZED FOR TRAINING PRACTITIONERS IN ORGANIZED MARTIAL ARTS OF ALL STYLES, AND/OR PUGILISTIC SPORTS, AND INCLUDES TITLES SUCH AS: DOJO, GYM, TRAINING CENTER, BOXING GYM, KARATE SCHOOL, HIGH SCHOOL, COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITY COURSES THAT OFFER CLASSES ON A WEEKLY BASIS FOR CREDIT, AND OTHER PLACES OF TRAINING, IF APPROVED BY THE BUDO-KAI INTERNATIONAL BOARD. IT DOES NOT INCLUDE PARKS, LAKES, GARAGES, HOMES, ETC., CONDUCTED FOR EITHER PROFIT OR NON-PROFIT, THAT ARE BEING UTILIZED FOR PERSONAL, PRIVATE, OR PUBLIC TRAINING OF STYLES THAT ARE NOT UNDER THE AUSPICES OF AN ON-GOING ORGANIZED BUSINESS AND/OR A RESPECTED SYSTEM OF TRAINING, OR BUILDINGS/ROOMS THAT ARE NOT USED SPECIFICALLY AND SOLITARLY FOR TRAINING OF ONLY LEGITIMATE MARTIAL ARTS AND PUGILISTIC SPORTS.
- b. THE WORD "OWNER" AS USED IN THIS APPLICATION REFERS TO THE INDIVIDUAL THAT OWNS THE BUSINESS, OR IS IN CHARGE OF THE BUSINESS AND HAS RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE BUSINESS TO INCLUDE MAKING EVERYDAY DECISIONS FOR THE BUSINESS. IT ALSO REFERS TO ANY TITLE SUCH AS SENSEI, SIFU, INSTRUCTOR, COACH, TEACHER, ETC. AS LONG AS IT IS THE SAME INDIVIDUAL WITH AUTHORITY AS REFERENCED ABOVE.
- c. THE WORD "PRACTITIONER" AS USED IN THIS APPLICATION MAY REFER TO OTHER TITLES USED AT SCHOOLS SUCH AS; STUDENT, SEMPAI, SENPAI, KARATEKA, FIGHTER, BOXER, WRESTLER, APPRENTICE, NOVICE, INTERMEDIATE STUDENT, ADVANCED STUDENT, ETC.
- d. ANY REFERENCES TO PRACTITIONERS AND OWNERS INCLUDE BOTH THE MASCULINE GENDER AND THE FEMININE GENDER.
- e. BUDO-KAI INTERNATIONAL, ITS NAME, SYMBOLS, LOGOS, PATCHES, CERTIFICATES, ETC. ARE TRADEMARKED AND ARE THE PROPERTY OF BUDO-KAI INTERNATIONAL, ITS AFFILIATES, AND OWNERS.
- f. SCHOOLS, OWNERS, AND PRACTITIONERS ARE NOT AUTHORIZED TO USE THE BUDO-KAI INTERNATIONAL AUTHORITY, NAME, OR LOGO IN ANY MANNER WITHOUT RECOGNITION AND PERMISSION FROM BUDO-KAI INTERNATIONAL.





2. HISTORY AND AUTHORITY OF BUDO-KAI FEDERATION/INTERNATIONAL

- a. THE ORIGINAL BUDO-KAI FEDERATION WAS FOUNDED IN DECEMBER OF 1977 BY SENSEI THOMAS HAGGERTY OF THE MARTIAL ARTS CENTER LOCATED IN MIDWEST CITY, OKLAHOMA, USA. THE BUDO-KAI FEDERATION WAS RECOGNIZED AS A PROFESSIONAL RECOGNIZING BODY BY JUKO-KAI INTERNATIONAL. IMMEDIATELY UPON RECOGNITION, THE BUDO-KAI FEDERATION BEGAN TO HELP PROMOTE LOCAL MARTIAL ARTS BUSINESSES (AFTER AN IN-DEPTH AND RIGOROUS REVIEW) BY RECOGNIZING THE AUTHENTICITY AND PROFESSIONALISM OF THEIR SCHOOLS, OWNERS, AND PRACTITIONERS IN THEIR SPECIFIC ART TO INCLUDE ALL STYLES OF; KARATE, JUDO, JU-JITSU, KENPO, KUNG-FU, AND OTHERS. THE AUTHORITY AND PROFESSIONALISM OF THE BUDO-KAI FEDERATION EXPOUNDED AND BEGAN TO RECOGNIZE SCHOOLS OUTSIDE OF THE BORDERS OF OKLAHOMA AND EVENTUALLY OUTSIDE OF THE CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES TRANSFORMING THE BUDO-KAI FEDERATION INTO WHAT IS NOW KNOWN AS BUDO-KAI INTERNATIONAL.
- b. WITH THE PASSING, IN 2014, OF BUDO-KAI INTERNATIONAL FOUNDER, SENSEI THOMAS HAGGERTY, BUDO-KAI INTERNATIONAL AND THE TITLE OF KAICHO WERE PASSED DOWN TO HIS ICHIBAN BLACK BELT, SHIHAN TONY GEORGIADES.
- C. TONY GEORGIADES IS KAICHO AND PRESIDENT OF BUDO-KAI INTERNATIONAL AND IS CURRENTLY RECOGNIZED BY THE BUDO-KAI INTERNATIONAL BOARD AS HOLDING THE RANKS OF HACHIDAN IN BUDO-KAI GOJU, ROKURYU IN SHOREIKAN GOJU-RYU KARATE, SANDAN IN SHORIN-RYU KARATE, SHODAN IN BEI KOKU AIBU-JUTSU RYU JU-JITSU, AND A SENIOR BLADE MASTER IN MUSHIN-KAN EDGED WEAPONS. HE WAS INDUCTED INTO THE UNITED STATES MARTIAL ARTS HALL OF FAME IN JUNE OF 2015. IN SPORT KARATE, TONY WAS RANKED AS THE WORLD 10TH CONTENDER IN THE MIDDLEWEIGHT DIVISION FOR FULL-CONTACT KARATE AND 7TH IN THE WORLD IN SEMI-CONTACT TOURNAMENT FIGHTING IN THE WORLD JOURNAL MARTIAL ARTS KICKBOXING RANKINGS AS WELL AS 3RD IN THE CENTRAL REGION BY "OFFICAL KARATE". TONY IS A RETIRED PEACE OFFICER AND COUNCIL ON LAW ENFORCEMENT AND EDUCATION (C.L.E.E.T.) CERTIFIED DEFENSIVE TACTICS, EXPANDABLE BATON, OC SPRAY, DEFENSIVE DRIVING, AND KNIFE DEFENSE. HE HAS TRAINED POLICE OFFICERS IN OKLAHOMA AS WELL AS DEVELOPING A TRAINING PROGRAM FOR AFGHANISTAN POLICE OFFICERS IN BADGHIS PROVINCE, AFGHANISTAN IN 2007. HE IS A RETIRED LIEUTENANT COLONEL IN THE ARMY NATIONAL GUARD.





3. BOARD MEMBERS:

a. BOARD MEMBERS APPOINTED TO THE BUDO-KAI INTERNATIONAL BOARD HAVE AN EXTENSIVE KNOWLEDGE IN THE ARTS AND ARE HIGHLY RANKED IN THEIR RESPECTIVE RYUS. ADDITIONALLY, THEIR LONG TIME DEDICATION AND COMMITTMENT TO THE MARTIAL ARTS AND PUGILISTIC SPORTS IS EXCEPTIONAL, THEY ARE COMMENDED BY THEIR PEERS, AND RECOGNIZED AS HIGHLY EXPERIENCED PRACTITIONERS IN THE MARTIAL ARTS WORLD. COMBINED, THESE MEMBERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE TRAINING OF THOUSANDS OF PRACTITIONERS, POLICE OFFICERS, MILITARY PERSONNEL, AND INSTRUCTORS OVER THE PAST DECADES, BOTH IN AND OUTSIDE OF THE UNITED STATES. THEY HAVE AUTHORED UNRIVALED TRAINING BOOKS AND/OR MANUALS IN THEIR DESIRE TO CARRY ON THE ARTS AND TO CONTINUE THE WAY OF THEIR "RYU".

BELOW ARE THE CURRENT MEMBERS OF BUDO-KAI INTERNATIONAL:

b. PRESIDENT: TONY GEORGIADES

c. VICE-PRESIDENT: CHRIS POLLMAN

d. DIRECTOR: JOHN BOREN

e. DIRECTOR: DEAN CHAPMAN

f. DIRECTOR: DEAN BRIDGES

g. DIRECTOR: DANIEL METZGER

4. BENEFITS OF RECOGNITION BY BUDO-KAI INTERNATIONAL

a. THERE ARE MANY SCHOOLS, OWNERS, AND BLACK BELTS THAT TRAIN AND TEACH THEIR ART(S) WITH ENTHUSIASM, DEDICATION, AND PROFESSIONALISM AND HAVE OBTAINED THEIR RANK THROUGH A PROFESSIONAL SENSEI AND RYU, BUT DO NOT HAVE INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION OF THEIR ART AND SCHOOL. IN THE EYES OF THE PUBLIC OR OTHER MARTIAL ARTS SCHOOLS THEY ARE CONSIDERED JUST "A LOCAL SCHOOL" AND ARE NOT TRULY RECOGNIZED FOR THEIR CONTRIBUTION. BUDO-KAI INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION ESTABLISHES THEIR BUSINESS AS AUTHENTIC AND PROFESSIONAL AS WELL AS GIVING THEIR PRACTITIONERS THE ABILITY TO ENLIGHTEN OTHERS THAT THEIR SCHOOL IS RECOGNIZED BY AN INTERNATIONAL BODY. PROOF OF SCHOOL, OWNER RECOGNITION, BLACK BELT AND PRACTITIONER RANKS AND APPLICABLE DATES WILL BE MAINTAINED IN THE BUDO-KAI INTERNATIONAL DATA BASE. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF





RECOGNITION OF SCHOOLS AND/OR OWNERS MAY BE GIVEN UPON REQUEST FROM A THIRD PARTY **ONLY** UPON APPROVAL BY THE OWNER.

- b. OWNERS AND PRACTITIONERS TRAIN HARD AND TEACH WITH FERVOR AND WITH PROFICIENT SKILLS AND DESERVE THE BENEFITS THAT RECOGNITION CAN BRING, BOTH IN PRESTIGE, ACCEPTANCE, CONTINUATION OF THEIR ARTS, AND FINANCIAL GAIN.
- c. BUDO-KAI INTERNATIONAL RECOGNIZED SCHOOLS MAY ATTEND BUDO-KAI INTERNATIONAL PROMOTED SEMINARS, TOURNAMENTS AND WORKSHOPS AT A DISCOUNTED PRICE. ALLPRODUCTS SOLD BY BUDO-KAI INTERNATIONAL MAY ALSO BE PURCHASED AT A DISCOUNTED PRICE.
- d. RECOGNIZED SCHOOLS AND OWNERS COMMUNICATE DIRECTLY WITH BUDO-KAI INTERNATIONAL BOARD MEMBERS AND NOT THROUGH DISTRICT MIDDLEMEN.
- e. OPPORTUNITIES TO TRAIN WITH BUDO-KAI INTERNATIONAL RECOGNIZIED MARTIAL ARTISTS OF DIFFERENT ARTS AND STYLES.
- f. RECOGNIZED SCHOOLS, OWNERS, BLACK BELTS, AND PRACTITIONERS WILL BE ACKNOWLEDGED ON THE BUDO-KAI INTERNATIONAL WEBSITE. www.budokaiinternational.com