

# El Paso Consistory

## *Officers' Duties*

### Preceptor

**Bylaws Duties:** The Preceptor and Chancellor, respectively, shall assist the Master of Kadosh in the performance of his duties, and perform such other duties as may be required of them.

**Monitor Duties:**

Second in command. Must be acquainted with the *Statutes* of the Supreme Council.  
Responsible for reconciliation of dissensions.

**Installation Duties:**

Prior and Preceptor: It may chance to either of you to succeed to the office of the Master of Kadosh, and to be required to assume its responsibilities and perform its duties. Your offices are next in importance to those of the Master of Kadosh. The efficiency of the Master must always depend much upon that of his Officers; and if they are incapable or unfaithful, indolent or lukewarm, his labors, besides being largely and unjustly increased, will to a great extent prove unavailing. While you promptly obey your Chief, and faithfully second his exertions, you are especially charged with the supervision of your columns. You have the right, possessed on more than one valid ground, to instruct, advise, guide and warn the Brethren, and, in cases of urgent necessity, to reprove and censure. In your zeal remember the wise maxim, to stand upon the ancient ways, and thence make progress. We should better be content to remain stationary, than to open our doors to all men indiscriminately. I especially give it to you in charge to endeavor to settle all difficulties and reconcile all dissensions among the Brethren and Fellow-Soldiery of the Holy House of the Temple; to watch all approaches to misunderstanding, and repress every tendency to acrimony in debate. Teach the Brethren, by precept and example, to bear with the infirmities of each other, and especially to beware of obstinacy and pride of opinion, out of which grow most difficulties among men and Masons. Preceptor (p. 104): With you is the bright Constellation composed of the two Stars, Justice and Equity, which to the Mason should ever be as inseparable as we are taught they are, as attributes of the Deity. I commit them to your special charge, and hope that enforcing them among the Brethren, you will ever regulate by them your official and private conduct.

**Fraternal Duties:**

1. Notify the Chancellor in the event that you will be unable to attend a meeting or event and charge him with assuming your station and responsibility.

**Administrative Duties:**

None.