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Re: Article VII, Section 4(e)

**LINE OF SUCCESSION TO THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT**

1. In the event of simultaneous vacancies occurring in the offices of President and Vice President, the following line of succession to the office of President is established pursuant to Article VII, Section 4(e) of the Bylaws of the Academy:
  - a. President-Elect
  - b. Vice President-Elect
  - c. Senior elected director. Seniority shall be determined by application of the following tests in the order listed. Successive tests shall be applied until one individual has been selected:
    - 1) Length of service on the Board of Directors in his or her current term.
    - 2) Total length of aggregate service on the Board of Directors in the current term and all prior terms, if any.
    - 3) Total length of service as an officer of the Academy, if any.
    - 4) Length of continuous Fellowship in the Academy.
  - d. Secretary-Treasurer
  - e. Remaining elected directors in order of decreasing seniority under the tests set forth above.
  - f. A Fellow with prior service as an elected director who shall be designated by the Executive Committee of the Advisory Council of the Academy.
2. If, pursuant to the line of succession set forth above, the President-Elect succeeds to the office of President, the Fellow so succeeding shall serve both for the unexpired portion of the predecessor's term as President and for the full term for which he or she would otherwise have served upon the normal termination of service as President-Elect. In the event of any other Fellow succeeding to the office of President, he or she shall serve as

President until the next annual membership meeting; and prior to that meeting, an additional election for the office of President shall be conducted in accordance with the procedure for nomination and election of the President-Elect set forth in Article VII, Section 2, of the Bylaws of the Academy. If insufficient time is available for the complete Committee on Nominations and mail ballot procedure, the Board of Directors may authorize expedited action, and may, if appropriate, authorize a mail ballot as soon as practicable after the annual membership meeting.