

**§ 153101. Organization**

The National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution (in this chapter, the “corporation”) is a body corporate and politic in the District of Columbia.

(Pub. L. 105–225, Aug. 12, 1998, 112 Stat. 1422.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Revised Section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
153101 .....	36:18 (words before “for patriotic”).	Feb. 20, 1896, ch. 23, §1 (words before “for patriotic”), 29 Stat. 8.

This section is substituted for the source provision for consistency in the revised title and to eliminate executed and unnecessary words.

**§ 153102. Purposes**

The purposes of the corporation are patriotic, historical, and educational, and include—

(1) perpetuating the memory and spirit of the men and women who achieved American independence by—

(A) acquiring and protecting historical spots and erecting monuments;

(B) encouraging historical research in relation to the Revolution and publishing its results;

(C) preserving documents and relics and the records of the individual services of Revolutionary soldiers and patriots; and

(D) promoting celebrations of all patriotic anniversaries;

(2) carrying out the injunction of Washington, in his farewell address to the American people, “to promote, as an object of primary importance, institutions for the general diffusion of knowledge,” thus developing an enlightened public opinion and affording to young and old such advantages as shall develop in them the largest capacity for performing the duties of American citizens;

(3) cherishing, maintaining, and extending the institutions of American freedom;

(4) fostering true patriotism and love of country; and

(5) aiding in securing for mankind all the blessings of liberty.

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HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Revised Section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
153102 .....	36:18 (words beginning with “for patriotic”).	Feb. 20, 1896, ch. 23, §1 (words beginning with “for patriotic”), 29 Stat. 8.

**§ 153103. Powers**

The corporation may—

(1) adopt a constitution and bylaws;

(2) adopt a seal; and

(3) acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary or convenient to carry out its purposes.

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HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Revised Section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
153103 .....	36:18a (1st sentence).	Feb. 20, 1896, ch. 23, §2 (1st sentence), 29 Stat. 9; Mar. 3, 1915, ch. 89, 38 Stat. 955; Feb. 5, 1926, ch. 11, 44 Stat. 4; July 30, 1951, ch. 255, 65 Stat. 130; Oct. 1, 1976, Pub. L. 94–443, §1, 90 Stat. 1475.

In clause (1), the words “not inconsistent with law” are omitted as unnecessary.

Clause (3) is substituted for “acquire by purchase, gift, devise, or bequest and to hold, convey, or otherwise dispose of such property, real or personal, as may be convenient or necessary for its lawful purposes” for consistency in the revised title and to eliminate unnecessary words.

**§ 153104. Exclusive right to name, seals, emblems, and badges**

The corporation and its subordinate divisions have the exclusive right to use the name “National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution”. The corporation has the exclusive right to use and to allow others to use seals, emblems, and badges the corporation adopts.

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HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Revised Section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
153104 .....	36:18c.	Feb. 20, 1896, ch. 23, §4, as added Oct. 1, 1976, Pub. L. 94–443, §2, 90 Stat. 1475.

The word “sole” is omitted as included in “exclusive”. The words “the corporation adopts” are substituted for “as have heretofore been adopted or used by the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution” for consistency in the revised title.

**§ 153105. Principal office**

The corporation shall have its headquarters or principal office in the District of Columbia.

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HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Revised Section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
153105 .....	36:18a (last sentence).	Feb. 20, 1896, ch. 23, §2 (last sentence), 29 Stat. 9; Mar. 3, 1915, ch. 89, 38 Stat. 955; Feb. 5, 1926, ch. 11, 44 Stat. 4; July 30, 1951, ch. 255, 65 Stat. 130; Oct. 1, 1976, Pub. L. 94–443, §1, 90 Stat. 1475.

**§ 153106. Deposit of historical material in Smithsonian Institution**

The Regents of the Smithsonian Institution may permit the corporation to deposit its collections, manuscripts, books, pamphlets, and other material for history in the Smithsonian Institution or in the National Museum, on conditions and under rules they prescribe.

(Pub. L. 105–225, Aug. 12, 1998, 112 Stat. 1423.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Revised Section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
153106 .....	36:18b (last sentence).	Feb. 20, 1896, ch. 23, §3 (last sentence), 29 Stat. 9.

The words “at their discretion” are omitted as unnecessary.

§ 153107. Annual report

The corporation shall submit an annual report to the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution on the activities of the corporation. The Secretary shall communicate to Congress any part of the report that the Secretary considers of national interest and importance.

(Pub. L. 105–225, Aug. 12, 1998, 112 Stat. 1423.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Revised Section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
153107 .....	36:18b (1st sentence).	Feb. 20, 1896, ch. 23, §3 (1st sentence), 29 Stat. 9.

The words “submit an annual report” are substituted for “report annually” for consistency in the revised title.

Statutory Notes and Related Subsidiaries

TERMINATION OF REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

For termination, effective May 15, 2000, of provisions of law requiring submittal to Congress of any annual, semiannual, or other regular periodic report listed in House Document No. 103-7 (in which a report required under this section is listed on page 192), see section 3003 of Pub. L. 104-66, set out as a note under section 1113 of Title 31, Money and Finance.

CHAPTER 1533—NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

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§ 153301. Organization

National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution (in this chapter, the “corporation”) is a body corporate and politic in the District of Columbia.

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HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Revised Section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
153301 .....	36:20a. 36:20e. 36:20f.	June 9, 1906, ch. 3065, §§1, 5, 6, 34 Stat. 227, 228.

This section is substituted for 36:20a for consistency in the revised title and to eliminate unnecessary and executed words. The text of 36:20e and 20f is omitted as obsolete.

§ 153302. Purposes

The purposes of the corporation are patriotic, historical, and educational, and include those intended or designed—

(1) to perpetuate the memory of the men who, by their services or sacrifices during the war of the American Revolution, achieved the independence of the American people;

(2) to unite and promote fellowship among their descendants;

(3) to inspire them and the community at large with a more profound reverence for the principles of the government founded by our forefathers;

(4) to encourage historical research in relation to the American Revolution;

(5) to acquire and preserve the records of the individual services of the patriots of the war, as well as documents, relics, and landmarks;

(6) to mark the scenes of the American Revolution by appropriate memorials;

(7) to celebrate the anniversaries of the prominent events of the war and of the Revolutionary period;

(8) to foster true patriotism;

(9) to maintain and extend the institutions of American freedom; and

(10) to carry out the purposes expressed in the preamble to the Constitution of our country and the injunctions of Washington in his farewell address to the American people.

(Pub. L. 105–225, Aug. 12, 1998, 112 Stat. 1424.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Revised Section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
153302 .....	36:20b.	June 9, 1906, ch. 3065, §2, 34 Stat. 227.

Before clause (1), the words “objects” and “declared to be” are omitted as unnecessary.

§ 153303. Powers

The corporation may—

(1) adopt and amend a constitution, bylaws, and regulations for the admission, government, suspension, and expulsion of its members;

(2) adopt and alter a seal;

(3) provide for the election of its officers and define their duties;

(4) provide for State societies or chapters with regulations for their conduct, and regulate and provide for the management, safekeeping, and protection of their property and funds;

(5) acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary or convenient to carry out the purposes of the corporation; and

(6) sue and be sued.

(Pub. L. 105–225, Aug. 12, 1998, 112 Stat. 1424.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Revised Section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
153303 .....	36:20c.	June 9, 1906, ch. 3065, §3, 34 Stat. 228; Sept. 8, 1961, Pub. L. 87–214, 75 Stat. 489.

In clause (1), the words “make and” and “rules” are omitted as unnecessary. The word “amend” is substituted for “and from time to time to alter and repeal such constitution, by-laws, rules, and regulations, and to adopt others in their places” for consistency in the