



2026 BY-LAWS

DONALD E. DAVIS SQUADRON, AT-LARGE OF THE MARINE CORPS AVIATION ASSOCIATION

Article I

NAME AND ESTABLISHMENT

Section 1. The name of this Squadron shall be the DONALD E. DAVIS Squadron, At Large.

Section 2. The DONALD E. DAVIS Squadron is established as an At-Large Squadron of the Marine Corps Aviation Association (MCAA). As such, the Squadron is a non-profit, non-stock, membership association of the MCAA.

Article II

PURPOSE

Section 1. To honor all those who have served or are serving in Marine Aviation, in particular the Marine Aviation Logistics communities, and to perpetuate the spirit of comradeship traditional among those who have served in Marine Aviation.

Section 2. To foster and encourage interest in Marine Corps Aviation, in particular the Marine Aviation Logistics communities.

Section 3. To recognize and reward meritorious and professional achievement in performing the missions and tasks of Marine Aviation Logistics.

Section 4. To actively seek means of preserving and furthering the unique role of Marine Aviation in the National Defense policy of the United States.

Article III

POLICY

Section 1. This Squadron shall be strictly non-partisan and neither its name, nor its influence shall ever be used, directly or indirectly in connection with party politics or any form of political action.

Article IV

MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Regular Members: Marines and other members or former members of the Armed forces who have served with Marine Corps aviation units, and whose entire character of service has been honorable.

Section 2. Honorary Members: Any person who has made a significant contribution to Marine Corps Aviation, in particular the Marine Aviation Logistics communities, who has been designated an Honorary Member by the Board of Directors at its annual reunion or at one of its regularly scheduled business meetings in accordance with its squadron by-laws. Honorary members shall have all the rights and privileges of other members, except that they shall not be entitled to vote nor to hold office.

Section 3. Associate Members: Any person who has expressed an interest in Marine Corps Aviation and the purposes of this squadron. Associate members shall have the rights and privileges of regular members except that they shall not be eligible to hold office.

Section 4. MCAA HQ requires Squadron officers and 15% of members, maintain membership in good standing and encouraging membership at the MCAA National level. Addendum 3 reflects those squadron members that are members in good standing with MCAA National. The Squadron Adjutant will review Addendum 3 annually before the annual reunion to ensure the Squadron remains in compliance with this requirement.

Article V

ORGANIZATION

Section 1. Squadron Headquarters: Squadron headquarters shall be located in the State of Maryland.

Section 2. Officers: Elected officers of this squadron shall be:

Commanding Officer (CO) – Limited to a maximum of 5 years, unless approved by the Board for longer service.

Executive Officer (XO) – Same as Commanding Officer, but on a different annual cycle

Adjutant – No limit

Finance Officer / Treasurer - No limit

Communications Officer - No limit

Note 1: Time limits for CO and XO may be extended if there are no willing candidates to assume duties of those positions.

Note 2: The CO and XO shall not be replaced in the same year, except in the occurrence of either resignation, death, or removal by the Board.

a. Officers shall serve a term beginning one month after the squadron's annual business meeting until their successors are elected. Where feasible, the outgoing and incoming officer(s) shall conduct a turnover / transition of responsibilities during the 30-day period after the annual business meeting. All officers and directors shall serve without pay.

b. The Commanding Officer shall be the Chief Executive Officer and the Chairman of the Board of Directors. All officers shall fulfill duties normally pertaining to their specific office, or as may be assigned by the CO, in collaboration with the Board of Directors.

Section 3. Board of Directors:

a. The Board of Directors will be comprised of 3-7 members, serving a term of up to 5 years, beginning one month after the squadron's annual business meeting.

b. General oversight of Squadron affairs is vested by the Board of Directors.

c. The Board of Directors shall:

- Establish the squadron's strategic direction, provide oversight and ensure alignment with Marine Corps Aviation Association objectives
- Provide oversight of financial stewardship and financial assessment/budget submission
- Provide risk oversight and compliance
- Assist in ensuring member accountability and transparency
- Carry out other support functions that enable the success of the squadron and its elected officers

d. All decisions of the Board of Directors will be made by a majority vote with at least 3 of the board members being present to constitute a quorum.

e. Daily Squadron operations and management are delegated to the Squadron officers under the leadership of the Commanding Officer and in collaboration, as required, with the Board of Directors.

Section 4. By-Laws: Amendments to those by-laws shall be drafted collaboratively by the Board and the Squadron Officers. A majority of the Board will approve any amendments.

Section 5. Committees: The CO may appoint such committees as he/she deems appropriate. Such committees shall function for their intended purpose(s) until relieved or terminated by the CO.

Article VI

FINANCES

Section 1. In addition to national membership fees and annual dues, Squadron dues for regular and associate members may be levied by the Board of Directors as approved by a majority vote of the Board of Directors and shall be payable to the squadron Finance Officer. There shall be no dues for honorary members. There will be an established Life Membership rate.

Section 2. Local squadron dues shall not exceed national dues.

Section 3. Officers and Board members may incur reasonable expenses during the execution of their duties. Any expense exceeding \$100 but no more than \$500 shall be referred to the Executive Officer for quick resolution. Any expense exceeding \$500 shall be referred to the Commanding Officer and Board members for approval.

Section 4. The Board of Directors shall ensure that all records, accounts and funds are audited annually.

Article VII

ELECTIONS

Section 1. Officers and Directors shall be elected by a majority vote of the members present at the annual business meeting of this squadron, to take office one month following the election.

Section 2. Vacancies in any office, as they occur, may be filled by the majority vote of the Board of Directors; said election to be for the unexpired term of the office.

Article VIII
COMMITTEES

Section 1. Formation. The CO, in collaboration with the Officers, may create and appoint committees as needed, such as fundraising, recruitment and retention, public relations, data collection, etc.

Section 2. The Officers shall collaboratively recommend committees to establish a chair appointment for each committee.

Section 3. Established committees, chairs, and members are listed in Addendum 2. New committees shall be added to Addendum 2 as they are created.

Article IX
ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

Section 1. The Squadron officers shall conduct an annual business meeting each year during the annual reunion, or as otherwise rescheduled. Meeting location will be determined by the Officers in collaboration with the Board of Directors.

Article X
SEAL AND INSIGNIA

Section 1. The Seal and Insignia of the at-large squadron will be those adopted by the Marine Corps Aviation Association, with appropriate local additions.

Article XI
AWARDS

Section 1. The recognition of outstanding contributions of Marine Aviation is a significant and continuing function of this Association. This Squadron will aid and participate in all awards bestowed by the National Association and may make such local awards as are appropriate. Any award thus bestowed will be presented at the annual meeting or as determined by the Officers in collaboration with the Board Members.

Article XII
PUBLICATIONS

Section 1. The squadron will publish a minimum of one (1) newsletter per year with copies sent to National Headquarters.

Article XIII
DISSOLUTION

Section 1. The dissolution of the Squadron may be accomplished by 75% of the members. Any may make a motion to dissolve the Organization.

Section 2. In the event the squadron is dissolved, all assets owned by the Squadron and funds shall be remitted to MCAA National Association.

Article XIV
REMOVAL AND RESIGNATION

Section 1. Any Squadron Officer may be removed, either with or without cause, by a two-thirds majority vote of the Board of Directors.

Section 2. Regular members may be terminated by a two-thirds majority vote of the Squadron Officers and majority vote of the Board of Directors.

Section 3. Officers, directors and members may resign at any time.

Article XV
RECORDS

Section 1. All records, rosters, minutes of the meetings, copies of newsletters, correspondence and transactions shall be kept by the Adjutant.

Article XVI
AMENDMENTS

Section 1. These by-laws may be amended, when necessary, by a majority of the board of directors and Officers. Proposed amendments must be submitted to the Adjutant to be sent out with regular board announcements.

CERTIFICATION

- A. These bylaws were initially approved by a majority vote of the Board of Directors and the Squadron Officers during a Squadron business meeting on 17 March 2018.
- B. They were amended by a majority vote of the Board of Directors and Squadron Officers during a Squadron business meeting on 14 June 2022.
- C. They are hereby amended by a majority vote of the Board of Directors and Squadron Officers during a Squadron business meeting on [day] [month] 2026

Steven L Franklin

Steven L. Franklin
Colonel USMC (Ret.)
Commanding Officer

18 September 2026



ADDENDUM 1

DONALD E. DAVIS SQUADRON, AT-LARGE OF THE MARINE CORPS AVIATION ASSOCIATION

2026 SLATE OF OFFICERS

Commanding Officer - Col Steve Franklin, USMC (Ret), 703-282-8177
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ADDENDUM 2

DONALD E. DAVIS SQUADRON, AT-LARGE OF THE MARINE CORPS AVIATION ASSOCIATION

2026 STANDING COMMITTEES

Recruitment and Retention

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ADDENDUM 3

**DONALD E. DAVIS SQUADRON, AT-LARGE
OF THE
MARINE CORPS AVIATION ASSOCIATION
2026 MEMBERSHIP**

**DON DAVIS SQUADRON
LIFETIME MEMBERS**

Amano	Rich
Babb	Demetrice (Dixie)
Bandy	John
Bates	Jamie
Beltran	Juan
Bergman	Brad
Bibb	Sammy
Bibbins	Roy
Brassard	Ronald
Carlson	Corey
Cash	John
Cash	Valerie
Cerkez	Ivan
Cerkez	Michael
Cerkez	Paul
Chadwick	Brian
Chipman	Donald
Conant	Stash
Consford	Barton
Cook	Timothy
Davidson	Glen (Mike)
Davis	Donald
Diaz	Gilbert

**DON DAVIS SQUADRON
ANNUAL MEMBERS**

Bare	Curtis
Brander	James
Calbough	James
Camacho	Sigfredc
Collins	Chris
Driver	Timothy
Hennessy	Sean
Johnson	Thomas
Maddox	Wayne
McGee	Randall
Moreno	Paul
Reynolds	Albert
Wigfall	Victor

**NATIONAL SQUADRON
MCAA MEMBERS**

Babb	Demetrice (Dixie)
Bandy	John
Bates	Jamie
Cerkez	Paul
Conant	Stash
Davis	Donald
Hamlin	William
Hunt	Mark
Kelly	Patrick
Kraft	Roger
Franklin	Steve
LeGall	Raymond
Manuel	Anthony
McCutcheon	Kevin
McCutcheon	Robert
Meeker	Brent
Rodgers	Gale
Rodgers	Jim

Dillon	Ronald
Dostal	Paul
Dotter	Lawrence
Eck	Laurin
Flores	Sam
Franklin	Steve
Friend	Arthur
Fuller	Joseph
Gann	Rusty
Gann	Sandy
Garner	James
Garrett	Pat
Garrison	James
Gillan	Daniel
Goulette	Ryan
Graham	Patricia
Green	Edward
Guillory	Harold (Mike)
Hamlin	William
Hannaford	John
Hart	Ryan
Herndon	William
Hunt	Mark
Jones	Charles (Chuck)
Jordan	Steve
Joyce	Christopher
Katz	Slick
Kelly	Patrick
Kennedy	Mike
Kinlaw	Edgar (Frank)
Kraft	Roger
LeGall	Raymond
Lyons	Anthony
Manuel	Anthony
McCutcheon	Kevin

McCutcheon	Robert
Meeker	Brent
Mendez	Cynthia
Messner	Larry
Miller	Wayne
O'Connell	Charles
Owen	Richard
Oxendine	David
Perkins	Lee
Redden	Charles
Reichler	James
Rodgers	Gale
Rodgers	Jim
Roquemore	John
Rosetta	Robert
Sampsel	Laura
Scott	Brian
Slack	Bill
Smith	Randall
Spears	Mark
Stebbins	Byron
Steele	Wesley
Steigmann	Dennis
Stitcher	Mike
Strom	Mark
Thompson	Jerry
Townsend	Jerrel
Walters	Charles
Wheeler	Charles
Willis	Robert
Wilson	Leonard (Will)
Wittenberg	Robert
Wooten	George
Zymanek	Thomas