

# 2011 Edition of 'Guide to Courts' now Available

To: Virginia Elks Association Webmaster

For inclusion in "What's New," I am attaching excerpt from Jan. 2012 Grand Lodge Newsletter to announce publication of 2011 edition of "Guide to the Courts of the Order."

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The 2011 revised edition of Guide to the Courts of the Order has been issued by the Law Subcommittee of the Grand Lodge Advisory Committee for instructing Lodge Officers and Members.

The 2011 edition completely updates all statutory changes and judicial decisions since the original 2009 edition. It also covers additional topics.

The Guide discusses all aspects of proceedings before the Subordinate Forum of a Lodge, from the beginning of the proceeding to its conclusion, and appeals to Grand Forum.

The Guide also covers other proceedings allowed by Statutes, including Governing Body suspensions of a Member from Club privileges; Lodge proceedings to remove an Officer or suspend a Member for indebtedness; and Executive Orders of the Grand Exalted Ruler against a Member or against a Lodge.

Every Exalted Ruler, Presiding Justice, Mediator, Governing Body Chairman, and any Member involved in a proceeding should consult the Guide to answer any questions about the proper procedures. Following the Guide can prevent errors in proceedings.

The Guide has been sent to every Lodge Secretary. Additional copies can be ordered for \$1.65 each from the Grand Lodge Shipping Department, 2750 N. Lakeview Ave., Chicago, IL 60614-1889.

Individual Members may also order the Guide(s) by sending in a check to the address above with their full name, membership number and Lodge name and number.