

General Conference of Grand Councils
Royal and Select Masters
Prince Hall Affiliation, U.S.A. & the Bahamas, Incorporated



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Most Illustrious Companion Joel Mends Sr, KYGCH KCT
General Grand Conference Thrice Illustrious Grand Master

GRAND COUNCIL OF THE YEAR AWARD

PURPOSE: To recognize Grand Councils for their outstanding contributions to Masonry in general and the Cryptic Rite in particular. This award is given for the outstanding service and commitment to the ideals of Cryptic Rite Masonry in their respective jurisdiction and the cultivation of relationships among the various jurisdictions in the promulgation of the Cryptic Rite.

CRITERIA FOR SELECTION:

1. Grand Council must be a member in good standing in the General Conference of Grand Councils, RSM, PHA, USA and the Bahamas, Inc.
2. All Reports (Jurisdictional Deputy included) having been turned in no later than March 31, 2025.
3. Grand Thrice Illustrious Master's Trestle Board for jurisdictional growth, with previous year and current year membership totals.
4. GTIM and/or delegation visiting regional or national PHA Grand Councils of RSM (listed in Stewardship Report).
5. List of all community service projects completed.
6. At a minimum, the registrations of the Grand Thrice Illustrious Master, Grand Illustrious Deputy Master and the Grand Illustrious Principal Conductor of the Works having been turned in no later than March 31, 2025.
7. All required information is due into the committee no later than March 31, 2025.

SELECTION PROCESS:

The Committee shall meet and use the following as the deciding factors: **Note:** if Committee members are unable to meet, the GGCTIGM will appoint member (no more than 3 total) from different jurisdictions to form an ad hoc committee.

1. The Grand Council who has met all the above listed requirements
2. The Grand Council who has met most of the above listed requirements
3. The number of voting members of the jurisdiction present at the conference
4. In case of a tie, a secret ballot will be taken. The chairman has deciding vote in case of tie

GRAND COUNCIL RESPONSIBILITIES:

Participating Grand Councils are asked to create a separate packet of the items listed above and email the packet

NO LATER THAN March 31, 2025, to: kennethmbarkley@gmail.com

This I declare under my hand and seal on this 1st day of August 2024.

Fraternally,



In The Secret Vault

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