



# Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of New Jersey

## General Order No. 2021 – 2

To the Members of the Grand Commandery, Officers and Sir Knights of all Constituent Commanderies of New Jersey.

### Greetings:

Considering the recent announcement from the Governor of the State of New Jersey relaxing COVID restrictions I am encouraging the return of in person communication for Commandery meetings across the state.

I am allowing the re-opening of Commanderies in New Jersey to conduct regular business meetings. The modified meeting ritual as issued by the Grand Encampment must be strictly followed. All COVID related restrictions as issued by the Grand Lodge of New Jersey must be strictly followed. This includes the mandatory wearing of masks while inside a Lodge building, capacity restrictions and any additional restrictions that may be issued by the Grand Lodge of New Jersey.

Virtual Meeting Policy: Effective immediately, virtual meeting communications are limited to commandery business and presentations only. All ritual including openings, closings, balloting, and orders are not to be transmitted via virtual communication methods.

**This order is effective as of Friday, May 7, 2021.** Given under my hand and the seal of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of New Jersey, this 3rd day of May, A.D. 2021, A.O. 903.

*Newlin R. Williams*

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S.K. Newlin R. Williams  
Right Eminent Grand Commander



*David C. Bruner*

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S.K. David C. Bruner,  
Em. Grand Recorder