

## **APGNS Policy Regarding Honorary Life Membership, and Life Membership**

### **INTRODUCTION**

This policy and procedure document is intended as an addendum to the current by-laws of the Association and reflects the currently accepted procedures as well as the by-laws under development for the revised *Geoscience Profession Act* and *Geoscience Practice Regulations*. Where accuracy is critical, please consult the current *Geoscience Profession Act* and the by-laws of the Association.

### **Definitions**

**Act** – means the *Geoscience Profession Act*.

**By-laws** – means the by-laws of the Association of Professional Geoscientists of Nova Scotia (Geoscientists Nova Scotia, APGNS or the Association) currently in force under the Act.

**Council** – means the Council of the Association.

**Registrar** – means the Registrar of the Association as appointed by the Council of the Association.

**Registrant** – means a registered member, licensee, member-in-training (MIT), or authorized holder of a corporate Certificate of Authorization.

**Secretary** – means the Secretary of the Association as appointed by the Council of the Association.

### **HONORARY LIFE MEMBERSHIP, AND LIFE MEMBERSHIP**

**Honorary life membership** in the Association may be granted by the Council, to:

- (a) a person eminent in the geoscience profession who has rendered signal (remarkable, striking and significant) service to the Association, and
- (b) who has been nominated in writing to the Registrar by at least three (3) members-in-good-standing of the Association, and
- (c) on the unanimous vote of approval by all members of Council.

Honorary life members of the Association shall be entitled to enjoy all the rights and privileges of a member of the Association, including the right to use the designation “professional geoscientist” and/or “P.Geo.”, without payment of fees or dues.

**Life membership** in the Association may be granted by the Council, on written request of the member to the Registrar, to:

- (a) has retired from the practice of geoscience, and submitted the applicable declaration form to the Registrar, and
- (b) has been a member-in-good standing of the Association for at least the preceding twenty (20) years, and
- (c) on the unanimous vote of approval by all members of Council.

Life members shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of a member of the Association, including the right to use the designation “professional geoscientist” and/or “P.Geo.”, without payment of annual fees or dues.