

Welcome to the Serama Council of North America

The following **is** the Terms of Service agreement for using the **SCNA** website and affiliated social media **pages and** groups.

#### Definitions and Clarifications.

A grievance is a formal complaint filed in writing with the SCNA Clerk from one member against another member for alleging the breaking SCNA rules.

A sanction is the penalty imposed on a member found in violation of SCNA rules.

A defendant of a grievance has 15 days immediately following email notification of Council's determination to appeal. See By-Laws, Article III, Section 8 paragraph 8.4

Effective January 1, 2024, those found guilty of grievances shall be sanctioned in the following manner. All sanctions which have run their course prior to 1/1/2024 shall not be considered.

**FIRST OFFENSE:** Suspension of all membership privileges including judge's licenses, plus suspension from all SCNA social media pages and the members' only area of the SCNA website for a period of 30 days.

**SECOND OFFENSE:** Suspension of all membership privileges including judge's licenses, plus suspension from all SCNA social media pages and the members' only area of the SCNA website for a period of 6 months.

**THIRD OFFENSE:** Permanent loss of membership and any privileges granted with membership.

#### Definition of a member in good standing

An SCNA member in good standing is an dues paid member not currently sanctioned by SCNA who is current in all financial obligations to the SCNA.

The SCNA has two levels of membership accountability for Rules of Conduct.

1. General Membership is accountable for their posts on all SCNA controlled social media pages plus the SCNA website.
2. SCNA Representatives are accountable for their posts on all SCNA controlled social media pages, the SCNA website and all public internet social media pages. SCNA representatives include the Governing Council members, State Representatives, District Representatives, SCNA Judges, Committee Chairs and committee members and Position Holders such as Clerk, Treasurer, Show Secretary and Webmaster/Historian.