***RECEPTION OF GRAND OFFICER WITHOUT LINES***

*This Reception may be held at a special or appointed hour during an Inspection, or Official Visitation of the Grand Commander or his Official Representative. It should be done after the Commandery has been opened.*

***RECEPTION OUTSIDE THE ASYLUM***

*The Grand Commander or his official representative approaches the Sentinel.*

GRAND OFFICER: **"Sir Knight Sentinel."** (*Hand Salutes. Immediately Terminates the Salute. (Sentinel Hand Salutes, Holds Salute until dismissed by Grand Officer.)* **"Inform the Commander that Sir Knight** *(give full name and proper title of Grand Officer)* **of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Illinois desires to be admitted." (***Dismisses Sentinel by Hand Salute.)*

SENTINEL: *(Terminates the Salute on being dismissed by Grand Officer. Goes to door and gives the alarm.)*

***WITHIN THE ASYLUM***

WARDER: *Rises, takes one (15 inch) step forward, Hand Salutes, Holds Salute,* **"Eminent Commander,"** *(Commander recognizes Warder by Hand Salute, Immediately Terminates the Salute.)* **"There is an alarm."**

COMMANDER: **"Attend to the alarm."** *(Dismisses Warder by Hand Salute.)*

WARDER: *(Terminates the Salute. Draws Sword and moves to the door by the shortest route, opens' door, assumes On Guard and asks)* **"Who comes here?"**

SENTINEL: **" Sir Knight** *(give full name and proper title of Grand Officer* **and Staff of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Illinois desires to be admitted."**

WARDER: (*Carries Sword and returns to station, Sword Salutes, Holds Salute.)* **" Sir Knight** *(give full name and proper title of Grand Officer)* **and Staff of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Illinois desires to be admitted."** *(Commander dismisses Warder.) Warder Carries Sword, Returns Sword, steps backward one step and is seated.*

COMMANDER: **"Sir Knight Generalissimo,"** *(Generalissimo rises, takes one step forward, Left Faces and Hand Salutes. Holds Salute.)* **"Retire, and conduct the** *(give proper title of the Grand Officer)* **and Staff to the Asylum of \_\_\_\_\_\_ Commandery No \_\_ which awaits his pleasure."** *(Dismisses Generalissimo by Hand Salute.)*

GENERALISSIMO: *Terminates the Salute. Moves to the outer room. (Warder rises, takes one step forward, Draws Sword, moves to door, and. opens it for Generalissimo. Remains near door.)*

COMMANDER: **"Sir Knight Captain General,"** *(Captain General rises, takes one step forward, Right Faces, Hand Salutes, Holds Salute.)* **"Prepare the Asylum for the Reception of the** *(give proper title of the Grand Officer). (“Dismisses Captain General by Hand Salute.)*

CAPTAIN GENERAL: *(Terminates the Salute, Left Faces, Draws Sword.)***"Commandery Attention."** *(Officers and Sir Knights on side lines come to Attention.* ***Sword Bearer*** *and* ***Color Bearer****, working together, turn to the outside and secure the Beauseant and Flag; turning to the outside, they face east, and comes to Order Colors.)* **"Sir Knights Senior and Junior Wardens,"** *(Wardens face Captain General and Hand Salute, Hold Salute.)* **"To your posts, March."** Dismisses Wardens by Hand Salute. *(Wardens Terminate the Salute, move to approximately center of Asylum about* 5 *feet apart and facing each other.)* **"Sir Knights,**

**Draw, Swords."** *(All Draw Swords.)*

***OUTSIDE THE ASYLUM***

GENERALISSIMO: *(Approaches Grand Officer, Halts two paces in front of and facing him. Hand Salutes, Hold Salutes.) "(Give proper title of Grand Officer.)* “**I am directed by the Commander to escort you and your Staff to the Asylum of \_\_\_\_Commandery No. \_\_\_ ,**

**which awaits your pleasure."**

GRAND OFFICER: *(Recognizes Generalissimo by Hand Salute, immediately Terminates the Salute.)* **"Sir Knight Generalissimo, proceed to the Asylum."** *(Dismisses Generalissimo by Hand Salute*.*)(Generalissimo Terminates the Salute. Takes his place on the left of the Grand Officer and conducts him to the door of the Asylum. Staff of the Grand Officer follow in their trace. Halt at door of the Asylum.)*

***WITHIN THE ASYLUM***

CAPTAIN GENERAL: *(As Generalissimo and Grand Officer approach door.)* **"Present, Swords."** *(Sword Bearer and Warder Sword Salute, Junior and Senior Wardens and Sir Knights Present Swords, Standard Bearer and Color Bearer renders Color Salute.)*

GENERALISSIMO: *(Escorts Grand Officer and Staff into the Asylum Column Right in the West, Column Left in front of Standard Bearer, Hand Saluting the Beauseant and American flag in passing, advance toward the East, stopping two paces from the Wardens. Generalissimo Hand Salutes.)*

**"Eminent Commander,"** *(Commander recognizes Generalissimo by Hand Salute, immediately Terminates the Salute.)* **"I have the honor of introducing Sir Knight** *(give Full Name and Title of Grand Officer)* **and Staff of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Illinois*.”***

COMMANDER: *(Dismisses Generalissimo by Hand Salute.) (Generalissimo Terminates the Salute. Takes position on the right of the Junior Warden.) (Commander advances from the East to the center of the Asylum and greets Grand Officer appropriately, ending with)* **"Accompany me to the East."**

CAPTAIN GENERAL: **"Sir Knights Senior and Junior Wardens, Form Arch of Steel, Cross, Swords."** *(Wardens form Arch of Steel. Commander and Grand Officer move to the East under the Arch of Steel. Commander on the left of the Grand Officer. Staff follows under the Arch and to the side lines. When Commander and Grand Officer reach the Commander's station, they About Face.)* **"Carry, Swords."** *(Officers and Sir Knights Carry Swords.)* **"Return, Swords. "** *(on "Swords" Senior and Junior Wardens, Warder return to their stations by shortest route, Standard Bearer and Color Bearer turn to the outside and proceed to place Flag and Banner in holders, turn to outside and return to a position one pace east of their chairs, facing East)* ***“*Be Seated”** (*and they are seated. Sir Knights on the side lines are seated at the Command.)*

COMMANDER: *(Extends the usual courtesies to the Grand Officer. Proceed with the work of the occasion.)*