



# *The Desert of Maryland*

## *2019 Annual Desert Conference*

*Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order Nobles Mystic Shrine of  
North and South America and its Jurisdiction, Inc.*



Noble Otis Wilson (213), HPIP  
Imperial Deputy of the Desert

Daughter Alberta Smith-Colden (210), HPIC  
Imperial Deputy for the Desert

### Proclamation

Greetings,

On behalf of the Imperial Deputy for the Desert, Daughter Alberta Smith-Colden, we are expressly proud to lead and represent such a powerful and impactful Desert. Because of your hard work, diligence and effort, the Desert of Maryland continues to be at the forefront of the Domain. The Desert of Maryland is still moving Onward and Upward and all because of YOU! We are STILL the BADDEST Desert in the ENTIRE Domain. **Maryland ROCKS!**

By the prerogative of the office of the Imperial Deputy of the Desert and in conformity with the Constitution and General Laws governing the Desert of Maryland and sanctioned by the A.E.A.O.N.M.S., and its Jurisdictions, Inc., Rev. PP Charles W. Davenport , Imperial Potentate, I, Noble Otis Wilson, Imperial Deputy of the Desert of Maryland, do call all Illustrious Potentates, Chief Rabbans and Assistant Rabbans, Imperial Deputies of the Oasis, all Elected and Appointed Imperial Council Officers of the Desert of Maryland, Desert Officers, all Honorary Members of the Desert of Maryland, all Temples and all Nobles wherever dispersed throughout the Desert of Maryland to convene in Lanham, MD on February 7 and March 16. The 2019 Desert of Maryland Conference will assemble at 7:00 pm on Thursday, February 7, 2019 and Saturday, March 16, 2019 at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #8950, 9800 Good Luck Rd, Lanham, MD 20706. Annual reports will be received.

### Registration

Each Temple and Court will pay one fee of \$300. This will be the only fee necessary. Please make payment no later than Friday, 22 February 2019.

Temples, mail a Temple check or money order to the Desert Recorder, payable to **Desert of Maryland Conference, P.O. Box 7106, Capitol Heights, MD 20791-7106.**

Courts, mail a Court check or money order to the Desert Recordress, payable to **Desert of MD - DOI, P.O. Box 1212, Clinton, MD 20735.**

There is a fee of \$35.00 for all returned checks.



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### Representation

Every Temple and Court is expected to be represented by the Illustrious Potentate, Chief Rabban and Assistant Rabban / Illustrious Commandress, 1st Lieutenant Commandress and 2nd Lieutenant Commandress, High Priest & Prophet/High Priestess, Oriental Guide/Oriental Guide, Treasurer/Treasurer and Recorder/Recordress. If a Temple is to be represented by proxy, proper notification must be submitted to the Office of the Imperial Deputy of the Desert, P.O. Box 7106, Capitol Heights, MD 20791-7106 on Temple stationary signed by the Illustrious Potentate and attested by the Recorder with the seal of the Temple. If a Court is to be represented by proxy, proper notification must be submitted to the Office of the Imperial Deputy for the Desert, P.O. Box 1212, Clinton, MD 20735 on Court stationary signed by the Illustrious Commandress and attested by the Recordress with the seal of the Court.

### Temple/Court Indebtedness

Temples must pay ALL indebtedness to the Desert of Maryland on or before Friday, February 22, 2019. Any Temple neglecting to pay its Annual Desert Tax shall not be entitled to be represented at the Desert Conference. Temple checks are to be made payable to Desert of Maryland and sent to Desert Recorder, P.O. Box 7106, Capitol Heights, MD 20791-7106.

Courts must pay their Annual Desert Tax to the Desert of MD-DOI on or before Friday, February 22, 2019. Court checks are to be made payable to Desert of MD-DOI and sent to Desert Recordress, P.O. Box 1212, Clinton, MD 20735. Any Court neglecting to pay its Annual Desert Tax shall not be entitled to be represented at the Desert Conference.

### Desert Conference Attire

The only stipulated attire is for Saturday, 16 March, Memorial Service. The attire for the Memorial Service is: Black or dark suit, white shirt, black bow or straight tie, black socks and shoes, Fez, gloves and regalia.



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## Imperial Deputies Annual Award Ceremony

On Saturday, 16 March, we will be featuring the annual Desert awards ceremony following the Memorial Service.

This communication must be read once in its entirety and referenced until March 15, 2019. The Proclamation and all forms will be posted on the Desert of Maryland Website at [www.desert-of-maryland.org](http://www.desert-of-maryland.org).

Fraternally,

Noble Otis Wilson, HPIP

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Imperial Deputy of the Desert

Attested:

Noble Joseph K. Carpenter, PP

*Joseph Carpenter*

Desert Recorder

Daughter Alberta Smith-Colden, HPIC

*Alberta Smith-Colden*

Imperial Deputy for the Desert

Daughter Desirae Williams

*Desirae Williams*

Desert Recordress

cc: PP Charles W. Davenport, Imperial Potentate  
PC Josephine Stokes-Wheat, Imperial Commandress  
HPIP Ronald Dickens, Imperial Recorder HPIP  
Eastern G. Stewart, Jr., Imperial Auditor  
PC Gwendolyn Moore, Imperial 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant Commandress  
PC Joan D. Campbell, Imperial Inside Spy  
The Honorable Emanuel J. Stanley, Most Worshipful Grand Master  
Sister Lillie M. Jones, Most Worthy Grand Matron  
Brother Jeffery M. Jones, Most Worthy Grand Patron  
Department Heads, Maryland Jurisdiction  
Honorary Members, Desert of Maryland  
Imperial Officers, Desert of Maryland  
Desert Officers, Desert of Maryland  
Illustrious Potentates/Illustrious Commandresses, Desert of Maryland  
Recorders/Recordresses, Desert of Maryland