

**NON-CONTRACTED PARTIES HOUSE PROCESS FOR
SELECTING GNSO COUNCIL VICE CHAIR**
(Effective November 7, 2016)

1. Vice Chairs will serve one-year terms.
2. The first-term Vice Chair will presumptively serve a second one-year term, but will be subject to review and consent by the other Stakeholder Group (SG) after the first term.
3. Review and consent by the other SG after the first term could result in a rejection of the sitting Vice Chair, but there would need to be extraordinary reasons for this rejection.
4. If a Vice Chair does not serve a second term (whether by rejection or for any other reason), that Vice Chair's SG will nominate a candidate for the upcoming term, but that Vice Chair will presumptively serve only one one-year term. The new candidate will be subject to review and approval by the other SG.
5. After two years with one SG, the Vice Chair-ship will be offered as a first nomination to the “non-incumbent” SG.
6. The “non-incumbent” SG will nominate a candidate for review and approval by the first SG, through a “listening tour” process.
7. While there will be a presumption in favor of the candidate of the “non-incumbent” SG, both SGs have to approve the candidate.
8. If approval is not achieved, the “non-incumbent” SG will nominate another candidate, up to two additional times if necessary.
9. If approval is not achieved even after two re-nominations, the Nominating Committee Appointed Councilor (NCA) assigned to the Non-Contracted Parties House (NCPH) will attempt to mediate and find a compromise candidate that both SGs would find acceptable.
10. If a member of either SG becomes the Chair of the GNSO, the other SG will select the Vice Chair through the process set forth above. This would not affect the rotation after the Chair passes on to the Contracted Parties House again; the presumptive Vice Chair turn will go to whichever SG was due to hold the seat next according to the process set forth above, as if the NCPH member had not served as Chair.
11. If the SGs agree to nominate the NCA as Vice Chair, the presumptive rotation would continue after the NCA’s term as if he or she had not served as Vice-Chair.
12. If no agreement is reached in time for a Council meeting, there will be no NCPH Vice Chair for that meeting.