



PETITION SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

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CONCERNING 'CHANGE PARAGRAPH' PETITIONS

Please note that when submitting a petition that involves DELETING text from an existing paragraph in the *Book of Doctrines and Discipline* or the *Judicial Practice and Procedures*, delete the entire sentence (or paragraph if you are deleting an entire paragraph) using the strikethrough method contained in the tutorial documents and videos. No matter how small the change, please strike through the entire sentence.

EXAMPLE - ¶706.1

Current Text:

The petition must be sent to the General Conference secretary or a designated petitions secretary. It shall be in typed or printed or electronic form, or other means approved by the General Conference secretary, and shall follow a format determined by them.

Correct Format:

The petition must be sent to the General Conference secretary or a designated petitions secretary. ~~It shall be in typed or printed or electronic form, or other means approved by the General Conference secretary, and shall follow a format determined by them.~~ It shall be in electronic form, or other means approved by the General Conference Secretary or their designee, and shall follow a format determined by them.

Incorrect Format:

The petition must be sent to the General Conference secretary or a designated petitions secretary. It shall be in ~~typed or printed or~~ electronic form, or other means approved by the General Conference ~~s~~Secretary or their designee, and shall follow a format determined by them.

Why this update?

While the examples shown in our training documents demonstrated deleting an entire sentence, we did not specify that this was the method to be used for all deletions. In making this clarification, we are assisting our translation team be more effective and efficient in their work. Our apologies for any inconvenience.