

# 10 Real Questions to Ask the E.C. Sunday

The Electoral College of U.S. Grand Lodge plays a critical role in overseeing local bodies but rarely faces meaningful public scrutiny. This **Sunday, July 27, at 2:30 pm at NOTOCON**, they will host their “Meet and Greet” session—an event framed as an opportunity for dialogue, but which more often serves as *transparency theater*. Most attendees remain silent. Few ask hard questions. And the deeper issues—abuse of power, surveillance, favoritism, and systemic gaslighting—go unaddressed. But they don’t have to. Below are ten real questions that any member could ask the Electoral College—questions that cut through the performance and demand clarity, conscience, and courage.

1. How many complaints has the EC received in the past five years involving upper-degree members—particularly 5th degree and above—and how many of those resulted in suspension, expulsion, or formal action?
2. Does the Electoral College maintain any written standards for what constitutes a credible pattern of abuse, or is it left to the personal judgment of its members?
3. What protections are in place for whistleblowers and members who raise concerns about misconduct? Can you name a single example where the EC protected a whistleblower rather than discrediting or isolating them?
4. Does the Electoral College have any oversight or opinion regarding the National Grand Master collecting and archiving screenshots of members’ social media activity—including those of members in good standing?
5. How many current EC members have, in the past year, screenshotted another member’s social media activity and shared it with this body or a higher authority?
6. When members raise concerns about emotional manipulation or coercion by officers or mentors, what procedures are in place to ensure those concerns aren’t just labeled “drama”?
7. When serious behavioral concerns are raised about a member, but they are still advanced to 5th degree or made a local body master, who is accountable? What recourse exists for those who raised the concerns?
8. If an EC member is presented with evidence of misconduct involving a close friend or colleague—or is approached by one to influence a Grand Tribunal case—are they expected to recuse themselves? If not, why not?
9. How does the EC reconcile its stated commitment to transparency with the increasing use of closed sessions and the social pressure to avoid criticism of leadership?
10. If multiple respected members have resigned citing similar concerns—retaliation, lack of transparency, protection of abusers—what is the EC doing to investigate the pattern, rather than dismissing each case as isolated?

















