

PROPERTY OWNERSHIP TIMELINE

Date	Body	Event
1980	Board of Trustees (BOT) Long Range Study Panel	Began to consider and discuss the possibility of relocating the WSO, including the possibility of buying property/office space.
1982 April	World Service Conference (WSC)	BOT and Long Range Study Panel brought the discussion to the WSC.
1983 April	WSC	BOT and Long Range Study Panel continued the discussion with the WSC.
1984 April	WSC	Consensus vote taken at Conference. Members expressed the opinion that it was against the spirit of the Traditions for the WSO to own property.
1985	WSC BOT Long Range Study Panel	The Long Range Study Panel continued to explore “factors” in relocation outside of New York City, to coincide with the expiration of the 10-year commercial lease of the Park Avenue location in 1996.
1989	WSC BOT Long Range Study Panel	Because the cost of leasing continued to increase and income was not meeting expenses, the WSC voted that the BOT continue to study the feasibility of relocating the WSO and report back to the Conference annually. Motion 27 (84 yes, 10 no, 1 abstention, 1 void).
1991 April	BOT WSC Long Range Study Panel	Report by the Long Range Study Panel detailed discussions regarding Commercial lease vs. property ownership. See BOT report, <i>1991 WSC Summary</i> , pp. 26-27.
1991 April	WSC (102 voting members)	Motion 34 (73 yes, 21 no, 8 abstentions, <i>1991 WSC Summary</i> p. 47). Giving permission to study ownership as being consistent with the Traditions, in conjunction with relocation of the WSO.
1992-1994	BOT Long Range Study Panel Policy Committee	Purchasing Property Open discussion held at Conference. <i>1992 WSC Summary</i> , p. 16. Purchasing Property Open discussion held at Conference. <i>1993 WSC Summary</i> , p. 17. Studies for ownership were initiated (detailed in the <i>1994 WSC Summary</i> pp. 46-47).
1994 April	WSC (98 voting members)	Motion 12 (79 yes, 19 no, <i>1994 WSC Summary</i> pp. 46-47). After a four-hour discussion, the Conference voted to purchase property, on a 15-year trial basis. Motion 12 outlines the contract between the Board and the Conference. During the discussion, the customary limitation on speaking at the mic (one time, with a two minute limit) was suspended.
1995 January	BOT WSC members	On January 28, a memo was sent to all Conference members informing them that the BOT approved the purchase of land and building to house the World Service Office. The Board approved the trial By-Laws Amendment creating the Executive Committee for Real Property Management, to be presented to the 1995 World Service Conference.
1995 April	BOT WSC	Two Minority Appeals were received by the Board requesting reconsideration of their actions regarding the purchase of property and the relocation outside of the NYC area. The BOT presented the Appeals to the Conference members as they had made the final decisions regarding the move and the property. The Delegates expressed a level of comfort and satisfaction with the amount of information and further stated they felt they had the information far enough in advance to discuss with their members before coming to Conference in 1994. The Conference took no further action to change their decision the previous year. The Board was asked to respond to the Appeals in writing on behalf of the Conference. See <i>1995 WSC Summary</i> , p. 28 for further details.
1995 April	BOT WSC	The Conference was given a Report on Ownership of Property vs. Rental Property. This report is included in the <i>1995 WSC Summary</i> , p. 30.

1995 April	WSC (96 voting members)	Motion 5 (90 yes, 6 no, <i>1995 WSC Summary</i> p. 55). Gave WSC approval to a proposed By-Laws amendment creating a separate Executive Committee for Real Property Management during the 15-year trial period, to ensure that the property be managed prudently and without interfering with day-to-day operations of the WSO.
1996 June	WSO	15-year trial of property ownership began with occupancy of the building.
1996 June	ECRPM	Executive Committee for Real Property Management (ECRPM) met for the first time.
1997 September	ECRPM AFG Hqtrs., Inc.	A letter of agreement regarding occupancy of the building was signed between the ECRPM and AFG Hqtrs., Inc., effective June 1, 1996 to May 31, 2011.
2000 April	ECRPM	Three-year report to the WSC in accordance with Motion 12.
2002 April	WSC	After six years, the Conference had the right to order the property sold without reason, in accordance with Motion 12.
2003 April	ECRPM	Three-year report to the WSC, in accordance with Motion 12.
2006 April	ECRPM	Three-year report to the WSC, in accordance with Motion 12.
2009 April	ECRPM	Three-year report to the WSC, in accordance with Motion 12.
2009 April	Policy Committee	The Committee discussed whether documentation sent to WSC members would give them sufficient background to discuss the success or failure of the 15-year trial period.
2010 March	Al-Anon Family Group Headquarters Inc.	Mortgage paid off.
2010 April	WSC	The discussion regarding the success of the 15-year trial to own property was initiated (<i>2010 WSC Summary</i> p. 52).
2011 April	WSC	The WSC decided to end the 15 year trial and keep the building. Motion #6 (95 yes, 1 no, <i>2011 WSC Summary</i> p. 38) authorized ownership of real property.
2012 January	BOT	By-Laws amended to include the Executive Committee for Real property Management.
2012 April	ECRPM	Three-year report to the WSC, in accordance with Motion 12(1994) and Motion 6 (2011).
2015 April	ECRPM	Three-year report to the WSC, in accordance with Motion 12(1994) and Motion 6 (2011).