

BYLAWS

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OF THE
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SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

1.1. NAME. THE NAME OF THIS Section shall be the Young Lawyers Section (the "YLS") of the State Bar of Nevada ("State Bar").

1.2. PURPOSES. The Purposes of this YLS shall be to farther the objectives of the State Bar, to stimulate the interest of the young lawyers in the activities of the State Bar, to assist the State Bar in the identification of projects and to itself conduct programs of interest and value to young lawyers and those recently admitted to practice, and to participate, upon the granting of the petition of affiliation, in the activities of the Young Lawyers Division of the American Bar Association as a recognized affiliated young lawyer organization.

SECTION 2. MEMBERSHIP

2.1. All members in good standing with the State Bar either (a) who are thirty-six (36) years of age or under or (b) who have been admitted to the State Bar for less than five (5) years are eligible to become members of the YLS.

2.2. Membership dues shall be twenty-five dollars (\$25) annually. Attorneys who have been practicing for less than one (1) year need not pay the annual fee for the balance of the year in which they are admitted.

SECTION 3. EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

3.1. POWERS AND MEMBERS. The YLS shall be governed by the Executive Council. The Executive Council shall include the officers of the YLS: a chairperson, a chair-elect, secretary, and budget officer (who may be an ex-officio member). The Executive Council shall also include as additional members ex officio representative(s) of the Board of Governors.

3.2. SELECTION OF OFFICERS AND EXECUTIVE COUNCIL. The Officers and other members of the Executive Council, which shall consist of nine (9) members plus the ex officio representatives of the Board and/or an ex officio budget officer (if applicable), shall be appointed by a majority vote of the Board of Governors of the State Bar. Where possible, the Board of Governors of the State Bar will attempt to secure geographic diversification of the membership of the Executive Council. Such nomination and appointment shall occur annually at the first Board of Governors meeting after the new officers of the State Bar have taken office. The Board of Governors may in its discretion appoint to the Executive Council and as officers nominated by the Young Lawyers Section. Nominations for council members may be made by the Executive Council acting as a nominating committee or by a petition signed by at least ten (10) members of the YLS. Petitions for such nominations shall be submitted to the Executive Council at or before the Annual Meeting of the State Bar and the Executive

Council shall transmit such nominations together with those nominations recommended by the nominating committee to the Board of Governors on or before July 1 of each year. The Executive Council shall recommend Young Lawyers Section officers to the Board of Governors from among those individuals recommended for appointment to the Executive Council.

3.3. DUTIES OF OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

3.3.1. Chairperson. The chairperson shall be responsible for carrying out the purposes of the YLS by presiding at all meetings of the Executive Council and all other duties usually pertaining to this office as well as those assigned by the President of the State Bar. The chairperson shall prepare periodic reports of the activities of the YLS for submission to the Board of Governors of the State Bar and shall make the annual written report to the Board of Governors. The chairperson shall have the power to create such committees as are necessary to carry out the activities of the YLS.

3.3.2. Chair-Elect. The chair-elect shall perform such duties as may be assigned by the chairperson and shall succeed to the chair upon expiration of the chairperson term or if the chairperson is unable to perform the duties of the office.

3.3.3. Secretary. The secretary shall issue notices of all meetings and shall keep minutes of such meetings as may be held. The Secretary will be responsible for updating information on the State Bar website. The Secretary will be responsible for maintaining records of Young Lawyer Section activities and will forward those records on to his or her successor Secretary at the end of his or her term as Secretary. Records shall be retained for no longer than five (5) years. The Secretary has discretion to determine if any records should be kept longer than five (5) years.

3.3.4. Budget Officer. The Budget Officer is responsible for coordinating with the Budget Director and for providing updated information on the status of the budget to the Executive Council at the Executive Council's monthly meetings and at any other time as designated by the Executive Council. Notice of expenditures made on behalf of the Young Lawyer Section shall be forwarded by Executive Council members to the Budget Officer, noting the amount of the expense and the section of the budget from which the amount should be deducted. The Budget Officer shall keep an up-to-date spreadsheet of the budget and expenses available for Executive Council review at monthly meetings and upon request. The Budget Officer will work with the chairperson to prepare each year's budget for submission for approval to the Board of Governors.

3.3.5. Members. The six members at large and the ex officio Board of Governor representative of the Executive Council shall perform such duties as may be assigned to them by the officers of the YLS and shall assist in the development and implementation of programs of the YLS.

3.4. TERM OF OFFICE. Officers shall serve for a term of one (1) year. Notwithstanding Section 2.1, the Chair of the Executive Council may complete his or her term of office provided that the Chair qualified as a young lawyer under Section 2.1 at the annual planning meeting of the Young Lawyers Section at which the Chair is elected. All Executive Council members shall serve for terms of two (2) years, subject to the pleasure of the Board of Governors of the State Bar, except for the first year as provided hereinafter. Upon creation of the YLS, the members of the Executive Council may select among themselves four (4) members who will serve until May 1987, and five (5) members who will serve until May 1988, so that succeeding years, the various terms of the members of the Executive Council are staggered. All terms of the members of the Executive Council confirmed by the Board of Governors due to a vacancy by resignation or otherwise, shall be for the remainder of the unexpired term. Executive Council members who have filled mid-term vacancies on the Council and complete the term of the vacated position will require re-appointment at the end of the term.

Notice of Executive Council vacancies effective at the end of a term will be posted no later than April 1 prior to the end of the term. Letters of interest will be due no later than May 1 and the nomination of new Executive Council members shall be forwarded to the Board of Governors for review at the State Bar Annual Meeting in June.

3.5. REMOVAL FROM OFFICE. An Executive Council member may be removed from office by the Executive Council in the event that an Executive Council member fails to attend, without the approval of the chairperson or the chairperson's designee, any two regularly scheduled meetings of the Executive Council during the member's term, or in the event that the Executive Council determines that such member has failed to adequately fulfill, without proper cause, the duties and responsibilities as Executive Council member. The determination of whether to remove in a particular case shall be made by the Executive Council in its discretion by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Executive Council, and the decision of the Executive Council, and the decision of the Executive Council shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Governors.

SECTION 4. MEETINGS

4.1. The Executive Council of the YLS shall hold no less than three (3) meetings per year, and such meetings may be held by conference call.

4.2. QUORUM. A simple majority of the Executive Council shall constitute a quorum of that body. The ex officio Board of Governors' representative shall not count toward a quorum and shall not be permitted to vote.

4.3. In-person approval by a majority vote of the Executive Council is necessary for any items involving the use of the Young Lawyer Section Budget, for nomination of Executive Council members for approval by the Board of Governors, for approval of meeting minutes, and for expenditures of Young Lawyer Section resources. In-person includes telephone or video conference meeting attendance.

4.4. Approval by a vote of the Executive Council via e-mail messaging is permitted for issues not requiring in-person approval. The Chair has discretion to determine which issues to put before the Executive Council for vote via e-mail messaging. A two-thirds (2/3) majority is required for a vote via e-mail messaging to pass.

4.5. Annual Planning Meetings of the Executive Council of the Young Lawyer Section shall be held on the third Friday of July, or on such other day as the Executive Council selects.

SECTION 5. BUDGET AND PLAN OF ACTION

5.1. BUDGET. The budget of the YLS shall be set by the Board of Governors of the State Bar after consideration of the submission of the proposed budget by the Executive Council. The funds available for use by the YLS shall not be less than the total amount collected in dues from members.

5.2. PLAN OF ACTION. An annual Plan of Action shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Governors and all activities shall be consistent with that Plan of Action.

SECTION 6. CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION PROJECTS

All educational projects of the YLS for which CLE credits will be sought must be submitted to the Continuing Legal Education Committee for approval. The Continuing Legal Education Committee will administer and coordinate all such projects with the YLS. Net profits or losses of such projects will be divided with the YLS. Net profits or losses of such projects will be divided in a manner considered appropriate by the Continuing Legal Education Committee.

SECTION 7. AMENDMENT

These Bylaws may be amended during any meeting of the Executive Council by a vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the members of the Executive Council and then subject to the approval of a majority of the Board of Governors of the State Bar. These Bylaws may also be altered, amended or repealed by the Board of Governors of the State Bar without the recommendation of the Executive council or the members of the YLS.

SECTION 8. REPRESENTATION OF THE STATE BAR'S POSITION

Any action by the YLS must be approved by the Board of Governors of the State Bar before any action can be effective as the action of the State Bar. Any resolution adopted or action taken by the YLS shall be reported by the chairperson or the representative to the Board of Governors for action by the State Bar.

SECTION 9. ANNUAL REPORT

The YLS chairperson shall make an annual written report to the Board of Governors, which shall be available at the Annual Meeting of the State Bar.