

Article IV. Directors

OLD Version

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A-(4.5) Not later than February 1 of each year, the nominations and elections chairperson shall issue a call for declarations of candidacy for the Regional Director position(s) that will expire during the next annual meeting of the Corporation. The call for declarations of candidacy shall be either by notice in the official publication of the Corporation or by mail to the active members of the Corporation. A declaration of candidacy for Regional Director must be sent, either by mail or by electronic transmission, to the Corporation's principal location no later than April 1 of each year. A declaration of candidacy received by the Corporation after April 1 of said year will not be considered.

A-(4.5) The Regional Directors shall be elected by the membership of the Corporation at the annual meeting of the membership.

B-(4.5) Not later than May 1 of each year, the secretary of the Corporation shall prepare an official ballot for each vacancy and cause the same to be mailed to members within a region that is electing a Regional Director. Such ballots shall be returned to the Secretary at the address designated in the notice. Ballots received after June 1 of said year shall not be counted.

In the event that only one (1) candidate is running for Regional Director within a region, then the secretary of the Corporation shall not prepare and mail to the members an official ballot for such vacancy. At the annual meeting of the members, the sole candidate for Regional Director shall become the Regional Director of said region. The Corporation shall provide notice to the members of the region, either by mail or by electronic transmission, of the automatic election of the Regional Director. Said notice may be provided prior to the annual meeting of the members of the Corporation.

B-(4.5) Voting for directors shall be by ballot at the annual meeting except when there is but one candidate for any office. In that event, if there is no objection, the chair may declare the candidate elected. Prior to the submission of the ballot at the annual meeting, the president shall appoint an election judge and six (6) tellers for the purpose of tallying the votes for both officers and directors, including all ballots voted by proxy. The election judge shall certify the results of said vote to the chair who shall announce the results to the assembly. A plurality of those members present in person or by proxy shall elect the officers and directors. In the event of a tie, the voting members shall immediately proceed to vote by ballot to dissolve such tie.

C-(4.5) All such ballots returned for Regional Directors shall be delivered unopened to the nominations and election chairperson at the location of and within twenty-four (24) hours prior to the annual meeting of the membership for tallying. The candidate receiving the greatest plurality in each region for Regional Director shall be elected. In the event of a tie vote, members of the affected region present in person or by proxy may cast a second ballot at the annual meeting.

C-(4.5) In addition to the qualifications of a director as specified under the provisions of this Article IV, a Regional Director elected pursuant to Section 4.5 of these Bylaws must be either a resident of the region or employed within the region for which the Regional Director is elected.

D-(4.5) Regional Directors elected by region shall be elected for a two (2) year term. No Regional Director may be elected to hold such office for more than two full consecutive terms.

D-(4.5) A Regional Director shall be elected for a two (2) year term or until their successors are duly elected and qualified. No Regional Director may be elected to hold such office for more than two full consecutive terms.

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| <p>E-(4.5) Upon a Regional Director's death, resignation, removal, or inability to act, the directors of the Corporation shall appoint an individual to fill the Regional Director position until such time as a successor is duly elected and qualified at the next annual meeting of the membership.</p> | <p>E-(4.5) Upon a Regional Director's death, resignation, removal, or inability to act, the directors of the Corporation shall appoint an individual to fill the Regional Director position until such time as a successor is duly elected and qualified at the next annual meeting of the membership.</p> |
| <p>Article X. Committees and Their Duties</p> | |
| <p>OLD Version</p> | <p>ADOPTED 2008 Amendment</p> |
| <p>D-(10.4) Professional Development. The purpose of this committee shall be to conduct research and recommend updates of the Corporation's Model Standards and Guidelines for Utilization of Legal Assistants as adopted by the membership July 18, 1984, and to further the Corporation's goals to develop, encourage, support and maintain high standards for the legal assistant profession. Members shall be appointed for three (3) year terms. Terms of appointment shall be staggered as set forth in the policies and procedures of the Corporation. No member shall be reappointed for a successive term except that a member appointed to fill an unexpired term may be reappointed for a successive full term. The chairperson of the Professional Development Committee shall: (a) be a member of this Corporation, (b) shall have passed the Corporation's CLA examination, (c) shall have served on this committee at least one (1) year, and (d) shall become a member of the directors of this Corporation.</p> | <p>D-(10.4) Professional Development. The purpose of this committee shall be to conduct research and recommend updates of the Corporation's Model Standards and Guidelines for Utilization of Legal Assistants as adopted by the membership July 18, 1984, as amended, and to further the Corporation's goals to develop, encourage, support and maintain high standards for the legal assistant profession. Members shall be appointed for three (3) year terms. Terms of appointment shall be staggered as set forth in the policies and procedures of the Corporation. The chairperson of the Professional Development Committee shall: (a) be a member of this Corporation, (b) shall have passed the Corporation's CLA/CP examination, (c) shall have served on this committee at least one (1) year, and (d) shall become a member of the directors of this Corporation.</p> |
| <p>E-(10.4) Nominations & Elections. It shall be the duty of this committee to issue a call for declarations of candidacy for the offices of first vice president, second vice president, secretary, and treasurer postmarked no later than February 1, instructing those members wishing to declare themselves candidates for any office to return the prescribed form, signed by the prospective candidate no later than March 15. The chairperson of this committee shall then prepare a sample ballot of the candidates and cause the same to be mailed to each member of this Corporation at least thirty (30) days prior to the annual meeting. In addition, the duties set out in section IV of these Bylaws shall be performed.</p> | <p>E-(10.4) Nominations & Elections. It shall be the duty of this committee to issue a call for declarations of candidacy for the offices of first vice president, second vice president, secretary, treasurer, and Regional Directors up for election postmarked no later than February 1, instructing those members wishing to declare themselves candidates for any office to return the prescribed form, signed by the prospective candidate no later than March 15. The chairperson of this committee shall then prepare a sample ballot of the candidates and cause the same to be mailed to each member of this Corporation at least thirty (30) days prior to the annual meeting. In addition, the duties set out in section IV of these Bylaws shall be performed.</p> |