

ASSOCIATION OF AMERICAN LAW SCHOOLS

Bylaws of the Section on Art Law

Article I. Name and Purpose

Section 1. Name. This section shall be known as the Section on Art Law (the Section).

Section 2. Purpose. The purpose of the Section is to promote the communication of ideas, interests, and activities among members of the Section and to make recommendations to the Association on matters concerning Art Law.

Article II. Membership

Section 1. Membership.

(a) Membership in the Section is open to faculty members and professional staff of a law school that is a member of the Association of American Law Schools (the Association).

(b) Associate membership is open to any other person who is concerned with the teaching, administration, and improvement of legal education in the subject area of the Section.

Section 2. Privileges of Members.

(a) Regular members may be officers of the Section and may vote in a Section election.

(b) Associate members may participate in the programs, meetings, and activities of the Section but may not vote or hold office in the Section.

Article III. Officers, Executive and Other Committees

Section 1. Officers. The officers of the Section are the Chair and Chair-Elect. The Chair-Elect shall be elected at each annual meeting of the Association or earlier as allowed by the Association, shall qualify by acceptance, and shall succeed to the office of Chair at the close of the next annual meeting. An officer shall serve until a successor has been elected and qualified.

Section 2. The Executive Committee.

(a) The Executive Committee of the Section is the Chair of the Section, Chair-Elect and other members elected annually. The immediate past Chair may choose to stay on the Executive Committee as an additional Executive Committee member upon the request of the incoming Chair. There may be anywhere from three to five additional members elected, in addition to the Chair, Chair-Elect and, when applicable, the Immediate Past Chair.

(b) The Executive Committee shall act on behalf of the Section in the interval between annual meetings and may create standing and special committees.

Section 3. Filling Vacancies. If the position of Chair becomes vacant, the Chair-Elect becomes the Chair. If the position of Chair-Elect becomes vacant, the Chair, with the advice and consent of the other members of the Executive Committee, shall appoint a person to serve as Chair-Elect until the next annual meeting of the Association, at which time both a Chair and a Chair-Elect shall be elected. If a member of the Executive Committee resigns, becomes ineligible to serve, or dies, the position shall be promptly filled by the Chair, with the advice and consent of the other members of the Executive Committee. The Chair shall appoint a person to the position to serve until the next annual meeting of the Association.

Article IV. Nomination and Elections

Section 1. Nominations. At least one month prior to the next annual meeting, the Chair will solicit interest in serving on the Executive Committee among Section members. The current Executive Committee or some subset thereof (at the discretion of the Chair) will consider the applicants and nominate the panel of Executive Committee members. The current Chair-Elect will consider and choose a Chair-Elect nominee for the subsequent year.

Section 2. Elections. Elections for the Chair-Elect and the Section's Executive Committee members shall be during the Section's business meeting at the Association's annual

meeting or earlier as allowed by the Association. Votes may be submitted by email, voice vote, or secret ballot, as the Chair determines. The Chair may also present a slate of candidates and ask for objections rather than votes. In that case, if no one objects, the nominees are elected.

Article V. Duties of Officers

Section 1. Chair. The Chair shall preside at all meetings of the Section and of its Executive Committee. At each Association's annual meeting, the Chair shall report on the Section activities during the prior year and is responsible for the program of the Section. The Chair shall appoint members of standing and special committees.

Section 2. Chair-Elect. The Chair-Elect of the section shall assist the Chair, as the Chair may request, and shall perform the duties of the Chair during absence or disability of the Chair.

Article VI. Income

Section 1. Authorized Expenditures of Section Dues and Other Section Income. In addition to the Association funds allocated for the purposes described in the Association Executive Committee Regulation 1.7(d) and as allowed by the Association, Section dues and other Section income may be spent for a reception for Section members at an Association annual meeting, workshop, or teaching conference, deficiency in a meal guarantee made to a hotel, Section survey, Section directory, or enhanced newsletter. Before the activity is undertaken, the Section's Executive Committee must authorize the expenditure of dues or other income for the activity. In approving payment of the expenditure, the Section Chair must determine that the particular expenditure is for the activity authorized by the Section's Executive Committee and is consistent with the Section's bylaws and Association policies. The Section's Executive Committee must approve the expenditure at least six weeks prior to the activity for which the expenditure is authorized; the Chair shall notify the Association's National Office no later than one month before the occurrence of the activity. The Section's Executive Committee must approve the expenditure at least six weeks prior to the activity for which the expenditure is authorized.

Article VII. Policy Statements

Section 1. Policy Statements. Sections are components of the Association. Thus, any statements of policy adopted by a section or similar positions may be made public only after the Association's Executive Committee has formally adopted the policy statement.

VIII. Amendments

Section 1. Amendments. These bylaws may be amended at the annual meeting of the Section by a majority of the regular members of the section present and voting or earlier as allowed by the Association. The amendment takes effect when it is approved by the Association.