

University of British Columbia

Law Students' Society

Constitution

Article I: Name

The Name of the Association will be the Law Students' Society, herein called the "LSS".

Article II: Members

The LSS will consist of all undergraduate students currently registered in the Faculty of Law of the University of British Columbia, herein called the "Members".

The LSS includes the LSS Executive, the Academic Issues Caucus (hereinafter called the "AIC"), the Student Affairs Caucus (hereinafter called the "SAC"), as well as the Articling Committee, and all sports and clubs founded by students of the Faculty of Law.

Article III: LSS, General Objects and Aims

1. The LSS recognizes and strives to promote the principles that every member is equal in dignity and rights.
2. The LSS shall strive to carry out its objects without discrimination as between its members, and in particular, without discrimination on the basis of race, religion, colour, national or ethnic origin, sex, gender, sexual orientation, physical or mental disability, age, or political conviction.
3. This Article shall be interpreted so as not to preclude any rule, program, or activity that has as its objects the amelioration of conditions that have hindered the full and equal participation of any group in the LSS's activities or in the legal profession, including those that have been hindered because of race, religion, colour, national or ethnic origin, sex, gender, sexual orientation, physical or mental disability, age, or political conviction.
4. The LSS will make all reasonable efforts to schedule all events, elections and meetings, including town halls and student committee meetings, so as to not hinder participation by any religious, cultural, social or other group to which Members belong.

Article IV: LSS Executive

1. The LSS Executive will consist of, in descending order of hierarchy:
 - a. The President.
 - b. The Vice President Academic (hereinafter called "VP Academic");
 - c. The Vice President Student Affairs (hereinafter called "VP Student Affairs");
 - d. The Executive Director of Finance;
 - e. The Faculty of Law Student Representative on the UBC Senate (hereinafter "Senator");
 - f. The Executive Director of AMS Relations;
 - g. The Executive Director of Communications.
2. The LSS Ombudsperson and the LSS Articling Committee Chairperson shall serve as *ex-officio* members of the LSS Executive.
3. The objects of the LSS Executive will be to coordinate, direct and refer issues of concern to the LSS to be addressed by the AIC, the SAC, or the Articling Committee.
4. The LSS Executive will strive to foster ongoing communication and consultation between the AIC and the SAC.
5. It is understood that the object of the LSS Executive shall not extend to decision-making on policy issues, which shall be the role of the AIC and the SAC, but rather to act as a consultative liaison between the two bodies and external bodies including the UBC Faculty of Law administration, as well as execute LSS policy.

Article V: Academic Issues Council, Objects and Aims

1. The objects of the AIC are to represent student interests at Faculty Council and its committees and to promote communication and consultation between students and faculty on academic matters.

2. This article does not limit the ability of the AIC to improve student academic life without the involvement of faculty or Faculty Council; for example through student committees or town halls.

Article VI: Student Affairs Council, Objects and Aims

1. The objects of the SAC will be to promote, direct, sponsor, or co-ordinate such activities as will benefit the Members.
2. This article refers not only to promoting, directing, sponsoring, or co-ordinating LSS events aimed at improving student life, but to assisting LSS-sponsored clubs and organizations to reach their full potential

Article VII: The President

1. The President will:
 - a. serve as the Chair for the LSS Executive, supervise all aspects of its activities and ensure it operates effectively;
 - b. prepare an agenda for LSS Executive meetings;
 - c. call regular meetings of the LSS Executive and book facilities for those meetings;
 - d. cast the deciding vote in the event of a tied result of any LSS Executive vote on any matter;
 - e. oversee the general affairs of the LSS and ensure that each LSS Officer fulfills the duties of his/her job;
 - f. in co-ordination with the LSS Executive, serve as a liaison between the students and the administration, bringing students' concerns to the attention of the Dean, Associate Dean, or Assistant Dean;
 - g. respond to all formal external lawsuits against the LSS, AIC and SAC; and
 - h. be responsible for such other duties as may be assigned by the Executive.

Article VIII: The Ombudsperson

1. The Ombudsperson will:
 - a. serve as an ex-officio member of the LSS Executive;
 - b. be responsible for investigating complaints of any member vis-à-vis:
 - i. the LSS, SAC, AIC, or any other student groups within the school;
 - ii. the faculty or administration;
 - iii. discrimination and harassment within the law school;
 - iv. the summer article and articling process;
 - v. academic appeals;
 - vi. exam schedule conflicts;
 - vii. grade appeals; and
 - viii. any other matter deemed relevant by the Ombudsperson.
 - c. hold weekly office hours; and
 - d. work with faculty and student groups to improve the law school resources and environment as they pertain to equity.

Article IX: The Articling Committee Chairperson

1. The Articling Committee Chairperson will:
 - a. be responsible for chairing meetings of the Articling Committee;
 - b. ensure the organization of, and oversee all, Articling Committee events;
 - c. attend any meetings of the LSS Executive, SAC or AIC in a non-voting capacity;
 - d. represent the Articling Committee to the student body, faculty, alumni, and the professional community;
 - e. liaise regularly with UBC Law's Career Services Office;
 - f. solicit student input in developing and implementing new career-related activities, and communicate student input to the LSS Executive, Career Services and Articling Committee;
 - g. maintain adequate and correct books of accounts showing the receipts and disbursements of the Articling Committee, and allow any member access to such books of account; and
 - h. be responsible for such other duties as may be assigned by the Executive

Article X: SAC Officers

1. The Student Affairs Caucus, herein called the "SAC", will be responsible for the social affairs and non-academic development of all members of the LSS, and will consist of the following members of the LSS, herein called the "SAC Officers," in descending order of hierarchy:
 - (a) The President (as an *ex-officio* member);
 - (b) The VP Student Affairs ;
 - (c) The Executive Director of Finance;
 - (d) The Executive Director of Communications;
 - (e) The Director of Sports, Clubs and Fund-Raising;
 - (f) The Director of the Graduation Committee;
 - (g) The Director of LSS Services;
 - (h) First Year SAC Representatives, one elected by and from each section of first year law.

Article XI: SAC Officer Duties

1. The VP Student Affairs will:
 - (a) serve as the Chair of the SAC, supervise all aspects of SAC activities and ensure it operates effectively;
 - (b) prepare an agenda for SAC meetings;
 - (c) call regular meetings of the SAC and book facilities for those meetings;
 - (d) be the official representative of the SAC to any body, unless another Officer is specifically designated as a representative to that particular body;
 - (e) organize internal events of the SAC including the Trike Race, Orientation Week Salmon BBQ, Boat Cruise, Salmon BBQ and the Semi-formal; and
 - (f) be responsible for such other duties as may be assigned by the LSS Executive or SAC.
2. The Executive Director of Finance will:
 - (a) maintain adequate and correct books of accounts showing the receipts and disbursements of the LSS Executive, AIC and SAC;
 - (b) allow any member access to such books of account;
 - (c) establish and chair the Finance Committee which oversees the budget making process and allocates the LSS's funds;
 - (d) present the budget for approval at the Annual General Meeting;
 - (e) disburse funds over one hundred dollars as directed by the LSS Executive, AIC or SAC;
 - (f) oversee the financial administration of Candida's. This includes signing contracts, paying bills, and weekly deposits;
 - (g) prepare the budget of the LSS in accordance with the LSS policy by the end of September;
 - (h) disburse funds to clubs, event organizers and sports teams;
 - (i) liaise with the AMS Business Office; and
 - (j) be responsible for such other duties as may be assigned by the LSS Executive or SAC.
3. The Executive Director of Communications will:
 - (a) record the minutes of all LSS Executive and SAC meetings and type them for review;
 - (b) post such minutes on the LSS bulletin board within three clear days of the meeting for which the minutes were typed;
 - (c) be responsible for maintaining the correspondence files of the Executive;
 - (d) post on the LSS bulletin board the agenda of:
 - i. LSS Executive and SAC meetings, in advance, and
 - ii. the regularly scheduled LSS Executive and SAC Meetings at least three clear school days in advance;
 - (e) ensure that students have notice of upcoming events sponsored by the SAC. This includes maintenance, upkeep and use of the electronic mailing list;
 - (f) ensure that the office is equipped with adequate supplies;
 - (g) ensure that the LSS's fax machine(s), computer(s) and printer(s) are in good repair;
 - (h) pick up and distribute mail for the SAC and the student body;
 - (i) assign space from, and ensure proper maintenance of, all LSS bulletin boards in the law

- school. This includes, at least once per week, removing any inappropriate, irrelevant and/or outdated notices;
- (j) maintain and update the LSS website, or in the alternative, appoint, subject to the approval of the LSS, a person who will do so;
 - (k) appoint, subject to the approval of the LSS Executive, an editor for the Legal Who; and
 - (l) be responsible for such other duties as may be assigned by the LSS Executive or SAC.
4. The Director of Sports, Clubs and Development will:
- (a) represent the LSS and SAC on the Sports Council of the Alma Mater Society of the University of British Columbia;
 - (b) represent the LSS to the faculty on all fund-raising matters;
 - (c) be responsible for the organization of intramural sports activities and social clubs within the LSS;
 - (d) plan a recruitment opportunity for all LSS sponsored clubs and sports teams during Orientation Week;
 - (e) maintain a list of contact names and email addresses for all LSS sponsored sports and clubs;
 - (f) organize the functioning of all bzzr-ups. This includes scheduling and organizing bzzr ups, obtaining the proper liquor licenses, and choosing a bzzr representative to order bzzr for the LSS;
 - (g) serve as, or appoint subject to the approval of the SAC, the contact person for Canada Law Games, and;
 - (h) be responsible for such other duties as may be assigned by the LSS Executive or SAC.
5. The Director of LSS Services will:
- (a) be responsible for Candida's operations. This includes ensuring that fridges are stocked and the area is in good repair, doing daily cashouts, dealing with suppliers, employee relations, and improvement of the services offered at Candida's;
 - (b) report to the SAC on all non-financial business pertaining to Candida's, including needed repairs and logistical issues;
 - (c) fill in at Candida's when necessary to provide adequate breaks to employees there, or appoint, subject to the approval of the SAC, someone to do so; and
 - (d) be responsible for such other duties as may be assigned by the LSS Executive or SAC.
6. The First Year SAC Representatives will:
- (a) liaise between first year law students and the SAC;
 - (b) inform first year students of all activities and services offered by the SAC;
 - (c) fill in at Candida's to provide necessary breaks to employees there, as directed by the Director of LSS Services, and;
 - (d) be responsible for such other duties as may be assigned by the LSS Executive or SAC.
7. Each SAC Officer will:
- (a) work in the best interests of the LSS and SAC;
 - (b) have the power, subject to the approval of the SAC, to delegate duties. Where an Officer has delegated duties or has appointed another to a position in accordance with powers conferred upon him/her under this Constitution, he/she shall be responsible for overseeing the activities of those delegates or appointees, and for reporting to the SAC concerning those duties;
 - (c) attend all SAC meetings;
 - (d) upon completing his/her term in office, meet with next year's representative to discuss with him/her the duties of the position, and be available to answer any questions or concerns raised by the incoming representative in regards to the position.
8. No SAC Officer shall receive remuneration:
- (a) from the LSS Executive or SAC, except for expenses authorized by the LSS Executive or SAC; or
 - (b) from a source other than the LSS Executive or SAC for SAC duties without the Authorization of the LSS Executive.

Article XII: AIC Officers

1. The AIC will be responsible for academic issues and concerns of all members of the LSS, and will consist of the following members of the LSS, herein called the "AIC Officers," in descending order of hierarchy:
 - (a) The President (as an *ex-officio* member);
 - (b) The LSS VP Academic;
 - (c) The Senator;
 - (d) The Executive Director of AMS Relations
 - (e) Four (4) Upper Year Directors of Academic Issues, elected at-large;
 - (f) The Director of Aboriginal and Academic Issues who self-identifies as an Aboriginal Person, elected at large;
 - (g) First Year AIC Representatives, one elected by and from each section of first year law.
2. A Secretary will be chosen from the four (4) Directors of Academic Issues in a vote of the AIC at the first meeting of the LSS term in office.

Article XIII: AIC Officer Duties

1. The VP Academic will:
 - (a) serve as the Chair of the AIC, supervise all aspects of AIC activities and ensure it operates effectively;
 - (b) introduce newly elected representatives to the faculty at the first Faculty Council meeting after an election;
 - (c) generally supervise all aspects of the AIC's activities and ensure that it operates effectively;
 - (d) prepare an agenda for AIC meetings;
 - (e) call regular meetings of the AIC and book facilities for those meetings;
 - (f) cast the tie-breaking vote at AIC meetings;
 - (g) be the official representative of the AIC to any body, unless another Officer is specifically designated as a representative to that particular body;
 - (h) be responsible for such other duties as may be assigned by the LSS Executive or AIC.
2. The Senator will:
 - (a) execute his or her duties in accordance with such rules and procedures as the Senate may impose in accordance with the *'University Act'*;
 - (b) attend monthly meetings of the University of British Columbia's Senate;
 - (c) join at least two committee of the Senate;
 - (d) call attention to and represent the needs and views of law students at Senate;
 - (e) be responsible for such other duties as may be assigned by the LSS Executive or AIC.
3. The Executive Director of AMS Relations will:
 - (a) serve as the Law representative to the UBC Alma Mater Society as one of its directors;
 - (b) attend AMS meetings as required by that body and report on its activities;
 - (c) sit on at least two AMS committees;
 - (d) inform the student body of AMS activities, services and initiatives, and assist the Association and student body in communicating with the AMS;
 - (e) be responsible for such other duties as may be assigned by the LSS Executive or AIC.
4. The First Year AIC Representatives will:
 - (a) liaise between first year law students and the AIC;
 - (b) inform first year students of all initiatives and activities of the AIC; and;
 - (c) be responsible for such other duties as may be assigned by the LSS Executive or AIC.
5. Each AIC Officer, including the Upper Year Directors of Academic Affairs, will:
 - (a) work in the best interests of the LSS and AIC;
 - (b) attend all Faculty Council meetings;
 - (c) attend all Faculty Council Committee meetings of which the AIC Officer is a member;

- (d) attend all AIC meetings;
 - (e) be responsible for acting as chairpersons on AIC student committees
 - (f) keep students informed of issues arising from AIC duties, consulting with students on issues before the AIC, and encouraging students to approach the AIC with issues of concern to them
 - (g) have the power, subject to the approval of the AIC, to delegate duties. Where an Officer has delegated duties or has appointed another to a position in accordance with powers conferred upon him/her under this Constitution, he/she shall be responsible for overseeing the activities of those delegates or appointees, and for reporting to the AIC concerning those duties;
 - (h) upon completing his/her term in office, meet with next year's representative to discuss with him/her the duties of the position, and be available to answer any questions or concerns raised by the incoming representative in regards to the position.
 - (i) be responsible for such other duties as may be assigned by the AIC, unless stated otherwise in this Article.
6. Membership in Faculty Council Committees shall be determined in a manner decided by the VP Academic.
 7. No AIC Officer shall receive remuneration:
 - (a) from the LSS Executive or AIC, except for expenses authorized by the LSS Executive or AIC; or
 - (b) from a source other than the LSS Executive or AIC for AIC duties without the Authorization of the LSS Executive.

Article XIV: Meetings

1. A meeting of the LSS Executive, herein called an "**Executive Meeting**" will be:
 - (a) held monthly during the fall and spring term excluding the first week and the last two weeks of each term;
 - (b) held on at least one occasion during the months of May to, and including, August;
 - (c) valid only when there is a quorum consisting of four (4) members of the LSS Executive; and
 - (d) open to all Members, though only LSS Executive Members will move, second, and vote on motions.
2. Notice of LSS Executive meetings must be given to all members of the LSS Executive at least one week in advance, unless a lesser notification period for that specific meeting is agreed to unanimously by the members of the LSS Executive. The agenda for LSS Executive meetings must be provided for all LSS Executive Members at least three days in advance of the meeting, and shall include approval of minutes from previous meetings and any business arising from those minutes.
3. A meeting of the SAC, herein called an "**SAC Meeting**" will be:
 - a. held weekly during the fall and spring term excluding the first week and the last two weeks of each term;
 - b. valid only when there is a quorum consisting of half of the voting and ex-officio SAC Members;
 - c. held on at least one occasion during the months of May to, and including, August; and
 - d. open to all Members, though only SAC Officers will move, second, and vote on motions.
4. Notice of SAC meetings must be given to all members of the SAC at least one week in advance, unless a lesser notification period for that specific meeting is agreed to unanimously by the SAC. The agenda for SAC meetings must be provided for all SAC members before the meeting date and shall include approval of minutes from previous meetings and any business arising from those minutes.
5. A meeting of the AIC, herein called an "**AIC Meeting**" will be:
 - a. held weekly during the fall and spring term excluding the first week and the last two weeks of each term;
 - b. valid only when there is a quorum consisting of half of all voting and ex-officio AIC Members; and
 - c. open to all Members, though only AIC officers will move, second, and vote on motions.
6. Notice of AIC meetings must be given to all members of the AIC at least one week in advance,

unless a lesser notification period for that specific meeting is agreed to unanimously by the AIC. The agenda for AIC meetings must be provided for all AIC members before the meeting date and shall include approval of minutes from previous meetings and any business arising from those minutes.

7. A "**General Meeting**" will:
 - (a) be open to all members, any of whom will be empowered to move, second and vote on all motions;
 - (b) only satisfy the quorum requirement if attended by at least 10% of the Members;
 - (c) be empowered to bind any student government body on any motion passed by a simple majority, except where the motion requires monetary expenditure, in which case the assent of the LSS Executive is required; and
 - (d) be empowered to amend this constitution by a two-thirds majority, provided that notice of the proposed modifications be posted on the bulletin board of the Association two clear weeks before the proposed meeting and that the notice contains the signature and student number of at least ten members.
8. All meetings referred to in this Constitution will be, unless otherwise specified, governed by the manual, The New Roberts Rules of Order.
9. Minutes of all meetings shall be kept in a standard format, including:
 - (a) the date, time and location of the meeting as well as the names of all persons attending; and
 - (b) all resolutions and decisions of the relevant student government body, as well as any minute requested by a representative.
10. Voting by proxy is not permitted in any meeting referred to in this Constitution.

Article XV: Elections

1. By February 1, the Executive shall appoint a Chief Returning Officer (hereinafter called the "CRO") who will be responsible for conducting the election and will have the authority to implement measures to ensure the fair and efficient operation of the LSS election.
2. The CRO and any of his or her delegates shall not be eligible to run for any AIC and SAC Officer positions, as well as the Ombudsperson.
3. The LSS election must occur during the month of February.
4. Nominations for positions described in Paragraph 2 will:
 - (a) close one week after the Chief Returning Officer declares the nominations open,
 - (b) contain the name and signature of at least ten members;
 - (c) be posted on a bulletin board designated by the Chief Returning Officer.
5. Elections for contested positions described in Paragraph 2 will be:
 - (a) held by secret ballot for three days in the week after the nominations close, between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.
6. Election by acclamation will occur only if the available number of applications is less than or equal to the available number of positions.
7. First year representatives will be elected by their respective first year sections in an election held during the month of September.
8. All election materials shall comply with the objects and aims outlines in Article III.
9. No student may run for more than one position within the LSS election, except:
 - a. any candidate for VP Academic may also run for one of the Upper Year Directors of Academic Issues positions.
 - b. In the event that a candidate secures a position both as the VP Academic and as an Upper Year Director, the candidate shall be deemed to have declined their position as Upper Year Director and the position of Upper Year Director will go to the candidate with the next highest number of votes.

Article XVI: Amendments to the Constitution

1. This Constitution may be amended:
 - (a) according to the provisions set out at **Article XIII section 7(d)**; or
 - (b) by a simple majority of voters in favour of a proposed Constitutional amendment appearing

- on a regular election ballot with the exception of any amendment to **Article III**, which will require a two-thirds majority on a regular election ballot.
2. For an amendment to appear on a regular election ballot:
 - (a) the proposed Constitutional amendment must be submitted to the President by February 1 of the year of the ballot in which it would appear; and
 - (b) the proposed Constitutional amendment must have the valid names and signatures of at least 30 students currently enrolled in the UBC Faculty of Law, with each page of the petition containing the full text of the amendment and the text which it is replacing, if any.
 3. Upon receipt of a proposed Constitutional amendment in accordance with paragraph 2, the President will:
 - (a) post the proposed amendment in its entirety to the LSS bulletin board;
 - (b) ensure that the proposed amendment appears in its entirety on the ballot during elections; and
 - (c) direct the Executive Director of Communications to take all reasonable steps to notify the student body that a proposed Constitutional amendment will be appearing on the ballot.
 4. All other resolutions will require a simple majority by show of hands. Any motion before the LSS Executive, SAC or AIC must be done by secret ballot if a majority of the members of the relevant body agree to do so.

Article XVII: Student Committees

1. These are the Student Committees of the LSS
 - (a) An Articling Committee responsible for working with the UBC Law Career Services Office towards improving the quality and quantity of summer articling and articling positions available to LSS members;
 - (b) A Graduation Committee responsible for planning and executing graduation-related events, chaired by the Director of the Graduation Committee;
 - (c) A Finance Committee responsible for preparing a preliminary budget for approval by the LSS Executive, the SAC and LSS members at the AGM, chaired by the Executive Director of Finance ;
2. The Society may form Ad Hoc Student Committees as deemed to be of assistance to the Objects of the Society.
 - a. Such Ad Hoc Student Committees may be established by simple resolution and majority vote of the:
 - i. the LSS Executive, where the issue related to both student affairs and academic affairs;
 - ii. the AIC (where the issue is largely related to academic affairs); or
 - iii. the SAC (where the issue is largely related to student affairs).
 - b. The chair of each Ad Hoc Committee shall be an AIC Officer or SAC Officer selected by the chair of the relevant student government body.
 - c. Examples of Ad Hoc Committees include, but are not limited to:
 - i. Tuition;
 - ii. Building Needs;
 - iii. Curriculum;
 - iv. Faculty Hiring; and
 - v. Equity.
3. Appointees to each Student Committee, excluding the Articling Committee, shall be selected in a manner decided by the chair of that committee and may include any members of the Society.

Article XVIII: Term of Office

1. The term of office of the LSS Executive, SAC Officers and AIC Officers:
 - (a) begins on the earlier of the last LSS Executive, AIC or SAC Meeting the given Officer's predecessor is required to attend in the year they are elected, and the Saturday of the last full week of March of that year; and

- (b) ends on the earlier of the last LSS Executive, AIC or SAC Meeting the given Officer is required to attend in the year after they are elected, and the Saturday of the last full week of March of that year.
2. No Member may hold more than LSS Executive, AIC or SAC position concurrently.
 3. If an LSS Executive, AIC or SAC position becomes vacant for any reason other than a recall:
 - (a) The Executive, in the case of the vacancy of the position of President or Ombudsperson;
 - (b) The AIC, in the case of the vacancy of any of its positions; and
 - (c) The SAC, in the case of the vacancy of any of its positions;
 shall call for applications for a replacement immediately after the vacancy becomes known to the Chair of the given student government body, or to the acting Chair if the vacancy is that of the Chair. The Call must include an open posting to the LSS bulletin board and a notification to the student body using the electronic mailing list maintained by the Executive Director of Communications. Applications will be accepted for one (1) week, and a replacement will be appointed from among the applicants, as determined by a vote of the relevant student government body, within one (1) additional week after the expiry of the time allotted for applications.

Article XIX: Recall

1. The LSS Executive will deem any Officer eligible for recall if that Officer is absent from two consecutive Executive Meetings without approval of the President.
2. The AIC or SAC will deem any Officer eligible for recall if that Officer is absent from three consecutive or five of eight consecutive Caucus Meetings without the prior approval of:
 - (a) the VP Academic, in the case of the AIC; or
 - (b) the VP Student Affairs, in the case of the SAC.
 - i. that Officer, or the delegate of that Officer, is absent from any two consecutive committee meetings without reasonable because; and
 - ii. determine whether a cause proffered by any Officer described in subparagraph (a) is reasonable.
3. Any Officer eligible for recall will be deemed to have been recalled if the motion to recall is approved by both:
 - (a) a two-thirds vote of the SAC; and
 - (b) a two-thirds vote of the AIC
 at a joint AIC-SAC meeting where the sole item of business is the recall motion.
4. Any Officer may be recalled by a petition with the names, signatures and student number of 25 percent of the Society members collected within one full week.
5. After an officer is recalled, the following procedure will be followed:
 - (a) The Executive shall appoint a CRO within two days of the recall motion being passed.
 - (b) The CRO and any of his or her delegates shall not be eligible to run for any AIC and SAC Officer positions, as well as the Ombudsperson.
 - (c) Nominations for the vacant position will:
 - i. open two days after the CRO has been appointed;
 - ii. close one week after the Chief Returning Officer declares the nominations open,
 - iii. contain the name and signature of at least ten members;
 - iv. be posted on a bulletin board designated by the Chief Returning Officer.
 - (d) Elections for contested positions described in Paragraph 2 will be:
 - i. held by secret ballot for three days in the week after the nominations close, between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.
 - (e) Election by acclamation will occur only if the available number of applications is less than or equal to the available number of positions.
 - (f) All election materials shall comply with the objects and aims outlines in Article III.
6. Any Officer recalled under this Article and duly re-elected in compliance with Article VII *mutatis mutandis* will not be subject to further recall during that term of the office.

Article XX: Interpretation

- (a) Disputes as to the interpretation of this constitution will be submitted to a committee for final, binding arbitration. The committee will consist of the Dean, the Ombudsperson, and a third person, either a member of the faculty or a student of the faculty of law, agreed to by both the Dean and the Ombudsperson.
- (b) In the event of any inconsistency between the provisions of the Constitution and the provisions of the Faculty Policies, the provisions of the Faculty Policies shall prevail to the extent of the inconsistency.