## STATE BAR OF ARIZONA WORLD PEACE THROUGH LAW SECTION BYLAWS

## ARTICLE I: IDENTIFICATION

1.1 NAME. This Section shall be known as "The Section of World Peace Through Law," and shall be hereinafter designated simply as the "Section."
1.2 PURPOSE. The general purposes of the Section shall be the promotion of the objects of the State Bar of Arizona (State Bar) within the particular fields designated by the name of this Section. To that end, it shall be the purposes of this Section to advance world peace and justice through the rule of law.
1.3 LIMITATIONS. These bylaws have been adopted subject to the Rules of the Supreme Court and bylaws of the State Bar.

## ARTICLE II: MEMBERSHIP

2.1 ENROLLMENT. Any member in good standing of the State Bar shall, upon request to the Executive Director of the State Bar, be enrolled as a member of the Section by the payment of annual Section dues. In addition, any Student currently engaged in the study of law at the University of Arizona, Arizona State University, or a similarly accredited institution, or any graduate thereof, may become a member of the Section. Other people may become members upon invitation of the Council.
2.2 THE MEMBERSHIP. Members so enrolled and whose dues are paid pursuant to the provisions of this Article shall constitute the membership of the Section.
2.3 DUES. Dues for membership in the Section shall be in an amount set by the Section and approved by the Board of Governors, payable upon enrollment and thereafter annually in advance each year, at the beginning of the State Bar's fiscal year succeeding such enrollment. A member's dues will not be changed during the fiscal year.
2.4 DELINQUENT. Any member of the Section whose annual dues shall be more than six months past due shall thereupon cease to be a member of this Section.

## ARTICLE III: COMMITTEES

3.1 COMMITTEES. The Council of this Section is authorized to establish, or to empower the Chair of the Section to establish, such committees as it may deem necessary and desirable to promote effectively the activities of the Section within the jurisdiction of the Section and with the approval of the Board of Governors. In establishing a new committee, the Council shall state the area of its proposed activities.

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3.2 CHAIR. The Chair shall announce the membership and the chairperson of each committee of the Section for the following Section year, no later than the business meeting held during the annual meeting of the Section.

## ARTICLE IV: MEETINGS OF THE MEMBERSHIP

4.1 ANNUAL MEETING. The Section shall hold an annual meeting of members in conjunction with the annual meeting of the State Bar. The Section may hold other meetings of members throughout the year at locations designated by the Council. Split Section meetings may be scheduled.
4.2 QUORUM. The members of the Section present at any meeting shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.
4.3 CONTROLLING VOTE. Action of the Section shall be by majority vote of the members present. In case of split Section meetings, the total vote of all units is controlling.
4.4 VOTING ELIGIBILITY. Any member of the Section whose good standing can be certified by official State Bar records for thirty days prior to the time of voting shall be eligible to vote.
4.5 AGENDA. Among the matters of business to be transacted at the annual meeting of the membership shall be the election of officers and Council members. The agenda shall consist of other matters as decided by the Chair or Council. Section members may also submit items before or at a Section meeting to be included on the agenda of the meeting.
4.6 MAIL VOTING. The Council may direct that a matter be submitted to the members of the Section for vote by mail. In the event, binding action of the Section shall be by a majority of the vote received from members in accordance with rules fixed by the Council.

## ARTICLE V: OFFICERS

5.1 OFFICERS. The officers of the Section shall be the Chair, the Vice Chair, the Chair-Elect, two Secretaries (one serving Phoenix and one serving Tucson), and the Budget Officer. The Vice-Chair shall be from a location other than the residence of the Chair.
5.2 CHAIR. The Chair or other officer in the order listed above, in the absence of the Chair, shall preside at all meetings of the Section and of the Council. The Chair shall: (1) appoint the chairperson and members of all committees of the Section who are to hold office during that term; (2) plan and superintend the program of the Section, subject to the directions and approval of the Council; (3) superintend the performance of all activities of the Section; (4) keep the Council duly

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informed and carry out its decisions; and (5) perform such other duties and acts as usually pertain to that office or as may be designated by the Council.
5.3 VICE CHAIR. A Vice Chair shall aid the Chair in the manner to the extent the Chair requests.
5.4 CHAIR-ELECT: The Chair-Elect shall: (1) arrange for the appointment of the chair and members of all committees who are to hold office during the next term; (2) aid the Chair in such manner and to such extent as the Chair requests; (3) perform such further duties and have such further powers as may be designated by the Council or the Chair; and, in case of death, resignation, or disability of the Chair, perform the duties of the Chair for the remainder of the Chair's term or disability.
5.5 SECRETARIES. The Secretaries shall consult with and assist all the officers of the Section as to the work of the Section generally in the manner and to the extent they may request. The Secretaries shall be the liaison between the Section and State Bar staff regarding the retention and maintenance of books, papers, documents, and other property pertaining to the work of the Section and of the Council. They, in conjunction with the Chair, as authorized by the Council, shall attend generally to the business of the Section.
5.6 BUDGET OFFICER. The Budget Officer shall: (1) keep an accurate record of all monies appropriated to it by the Board of Governors and expended by the State Bar for the purposes of the Section; (2) monitor all accounts, reports, and other documents prepared as to Section funds, revenues, and expenditures, and seek to make certain that all such accounts, reports, and other documents are, at all times, accurate and correct; (3) report on the Section's present and projected financial condition at each meeting of the Section Council; (4) advise the officers and Council as to the financial impact of any proposed action by the officers, Council or Section which would have a significant impact on the financial condition of the Section. At least once each year the Budget officer shall prepare a projected budget to the Council for approval or modification at the time of the annual meeting, or such other time as may be expressly fixed by the Council. The Budget Officer shall submit to the Section, at the annual meeting, a report on the Section's financial affairs and financial condition.

## ARTICLE VI: THE COUNCIL

6.1 POWERS. The Council shall be vested with the powers and duties necessary for the administration of the affairs of the Section. The policy of the Council shall be consistent with the policies set by the Board of Governors. It shall especially authorize all commitments which entail the payment of money, and shall authorize the expenditure of all monies appropriated by the State Bar for the use or benefit of the Section. It shall not, however, authorize commitments which entail

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the payment of more money during any fiscal year. No action of any Section committee shall be effective until approved by the Council or by the Section.
6.2 COMPOSITION. The Council shall be composed of the following persons:
(i) the officers;
(ii) the last retiring Chair.
6.3 CONTROLLING VOTE. Action of the Council shall be by majority vote of those members present. A quorum consisting of three Council members shall be required to conduct its business.
6.4 MEETINGS. The Council shall hold at least one regular meeting each year at the time and place of the annual meeting of the State Bar to dispatch any necessary business. The Chair may, and upon request of two (2) members of the Council shall, call special meetings of the Council between annual meetings.
6.5 POLL OF COUNCIL. In urgent matters requiring immediate attention, the Chair may, and upon request of two (2) members of the Council shall, submit in writing to each of the members of the Council a proposition upon which the Council may be authorized to act, and the members of the Council may vote upon the proposition either by written ballot or by telephone vote, confirmed in writing, to a Secretary, who shall record the proposition and votes in the matter.
6.6 COUNCIL AUTHORITY. Between meetings of the Section, the Council shall have full power to do and perform all acts and functions which the Section itself might perform. Any such action taken by the Council shall be reported to the Section at its next meeting.
6.7 NO COMPENSATION. No salary or compensation for services shall be paid to or by any officer, member of the Council, or member of any committee, except as may be specifically authorized by the Board of Governors.
6.8 REFERENDUM. The Council may direct that a matter be submitted to the members of the Section for vote by mail. In such event, binding action of the Section shall be a majority of the votes received in accordance with rules fixed by the Council and as conducted and certified by the Secretary.

## ARTICLE VII: ELECTIONS

7.1 ELECTIVE OFFICES. At each annual meeting of the Section, the membership shall elect:
(i) a Vice-Chair and a Chair-Elect to serve a term of one year;
(ii) Two Secretaries and a Budget Officer for a one-year term; and
(iii) officers or Council members to fill vacancies in any office or upon the Council as provided in Article 8.
7.2 CHAIR. The Chair-Elect shall automatically succeed to the office of Chair. In the event the office of Chair-Elect shall be vacant, then a Chair shall be elected in the manner set forth in Section 7.4.
7.3 ELIGIBILITY FOR OFFICE. Any member of the Section whose good standing can be certified by official State Bar records for thirty days prior to the time of election shall be eligible for office, except that the Chair, Chair-Elect, and Vice Chair must be members of the State Bar.
7.4 NOMINATIONS AND VOTING. At any time not later than ninety (90) days before the annual meeting the Chair, after consultation with the Council, shall appoint a nominating committee of three members of the Section, at least one of whom shall not be either a present or former officer or Council member of the Section. Any member of the Nominating Committee who is nominated for office shall be replaced promptly as a member of the Nominating Committee by the Chair. The Chair shall promptly thereafter announce the names and addresses of the members of the committee in a publication of the State Bar to Section members. The Chair may appoint a member to fill any vacancy which may arise thereafter in the nominating committee. The nominating committee shall make and report one nomination for each position which is to be filled by election as provided elsewhere in these bylaws.

The report shall identify each nominee and shall include a brief statement of qualifications. The committee shall submit its report to the Chair of the Section within enough time to allow it to be published in a publication of the State Bar not later than sixty (60) days prior to the opening Assembly of the annual meeting. One or more additional nominations may be made for any office by petition signed by at least five (5) members of the Section. The petition shall be sent to the Chair of the Section and must be received by the Chair not less than forty (40) days prior to the opening Assembly at the annual meeting.

Any nomination made by petition shall be made known immediately to the Nominating Committee, the other candidates, the Council, and the Secretary of the State Bar. The Secretary shall publish, preceding the annual meeting, in a publication of the State Bar reaching all members of the particular Sections, a notice of all contested Section elections. The Chair of the nominating committee shall announce the committee's nominees at a business meeting of the Section, and the Chair of the Section shall thereupon announce the nomination of any other person for the same

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office by petition duly made in accordance with procedure prescribed herein. The Chair of the Section shall then announce the time and place when the election shall be held which shall be as stated in the official program of the annual meeting of the State Bar.
All elections shall be held at a business session of the Section during the annual meeting. Elections for contested positions shall be by written ballot, unless otherwise ordered by unanimous consent of the Section members present. Each contested position shall be voted upon separately. Election shall be by a majority of the votes cast, and a run-off election to choose between the two leading candidates shall be held if a majority vote is not initially obtained. Section members who do not attend the annual meeting in person may vote by written proxy given to another Section member who attends the meeting.
7.5 TERM OF OFFICE. The term of office shall begin with the adjournment of the annual meeting following the election, and shall end following the annual meeting at which a successor has been duly elected. If at the close of any term of office a successor has not been elected then the term shall be extended until a successor shall have been elected.
7.6 THE 1989 ELECTION. The rules and procedures stated above do not apply to the election occurring in June 1989 in making the transition from the Committee on World Peace Through Law to the Section on World Peace Through Law. As to that election, the Chair of the Committee shall appoint a three-person nominating committee, and designate a Chair, as soon as practical after the Board of Governors approves these bylaws. That committee shall nominate one person each for Chair, Vice Chair, Chair-Elect, each Secretary position, and Budget Officer. Those nominees will be announced to persons on the committee roster in a mailing announcing the date, time, and place of the election. That mailing must be made at least fifteen calendar days before the election date. At the election, the Chair of the World Peace Through Law Committee shall preside. The Chair of the nominating committee shall announce the list of nominees. The Chair of the World Peace Through Law Committee shall accept additional nominations from the floor. The election shall proceed as provided in the last four sentences of 7.4, above. Only persons who are members of the Section on the day of the election are eligible for office. The person who served as Chair of the World Peace Through Law Committee throughout 1988 shall occupy the position of "last retiring Chair" for the year following 1989 election. Any member of the Nominating Committee who is nominated for office shall be replaced promptly as a member of the nominating committee by the Chair of the World Peace Through Law Committee.

## ARTICLE VIII: SUCCESSION OF OFFICERS AND VACANCIES

8.1 CHAIR-ELECT. The person who is serving as Chair-Elect shall automatically assume the office of the Chair for a term of one year at the end of the annual meeting following the election.

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8.2 OFFICERS AND COUNCIL. Between annual meetings of the Section, the Council may fill vacancies in its own membership, or in the offices of Vice-Chair, Secretary or Budget Officer. Members of the Council and officers so elected shall serve until the next annual meeting of the Section, at which time the membership of the Section shall elect officers or Council members to fill any unexpired terms existing at the time.
8.3 ABSENTEEISM. If an officer or member of the Council shall fail to attend two successive meetings of the Council, the office shall be automatically vacated, unless excused upon good cause accepted by the members of the Council.
8.4 RETIRING CHAIR. At the end of the term of office, the retiring Chair shall become a member of the Council for a term of one year.

## ARTICLE IX: REPRESENTATION OF STATE BAR'S POSITION

Any action by this Section must be approved by the Board of Governors of the State Bar before action can be effective as the action of the State Bar. Any resolution adopted or action taken by the Section shall be reported by the Chair to the Board of Governors.

## ARTICLE X: AMENDMENTS

These bylaws may be amended at any meeting of the Section by a majority vote of the members of the Section present and voting in person or by written proxy given to a Section member who attends the meeting providing such proposed amendment shall first have been approved by a majority of the Council and notice shall have been given to the members in the agenda listed in the notice of meeting. They shall become effective upon approval by the Board of Governors.

