

Jewish Law Student Association
(JLSA)
CONSTITUTION
NOVA SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY
College of Law

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PART I. ORGANIZATION

ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of this organization shall be "JEWISH LAW STUDENT ASSOCIATION" (JLSA).

ARTICLE II. OBJECTIVE & Purpose

JLSA's goal is to bridge the gap between the Jewish community and the students that are part of the Jewish Law Student Association and Nova Southeastern University College of Law. All aspects of Jewish life should fall under JLSA's umbrella. JLSA should not be locked into one particular phase of Jewish student-life, but rather should reflect the specific desires of the current members.

The Jewish Law Student Organization will serve:

- SECTION 1. JLSA at Nova Southeastern University College of Law fosters interaction between Nova Southeastern University College of Law students and the Jewish legal community. JLSA seeks to provide law students of all backgrounds the opportunity to network with practicing attorneys, law firms and organizations.
- SECTION 2. JLSA also encourages students to get involved in the community through various programs. Students gain valuable insight into all facets of the legal community, including the diverse practice areas and knowledge of what to expect as an attorney following graduation.
- SECTION 3. Hold social events to foster the opportunity to meet other students.
- SECTION 4. Heighten awareness of the impact of immigration law and policy on various immigration groups, the United States, and the world community

SECTION 5. Encourage law students to become actively involved in community issues, through mitzvah projects and partnerships with non-profit organizations and other like-minded organizations in South Florida.

ARTICLE IV. MEMBERSHIP

SECTION 1. The membership of the organization shall consist of all such students that pay dues.

SECTION 2. Membership to JLSA is open to all students who are actively enrolled at Nova Southeastern University College of Law.

ARTICLE V. OFFICERS

SECTION 1. The officers of the Organization shall be a PRESIDENT, VICE PRESIDENT, Treasurer, Secretary, Public Relations Officer, a Representative from each class including at least one evening student.

SECTION 2.

SECTION 3. DESCRIPTION OF AUTHORITY

- I. The PRESIDENT shall have general supervision over all the affairs of the organization and having access to all the books and property of the organization. The President may delegate any portion of this authority to a duly designated deputy, provided that the delegation of such power shall be specific. Additional duties of this officer are detailed in Article III section 1 of the Bylaws. To be elected President shall have served
- II. The VICE PRESIDENT is responsible for supervising all the ritualistic work and instruction of initiates in the history, Constitution, laws, ritual, traditions and usages of the organization. Said officer shall have the power necessary to carry out all of such duties. The Vice President shall exercise the duties and powers of the President in the event of the President's temporary or permanent absence. Additional duties of this officer are detailed in Article III section 2 of the Bylaws.

- III. The VP OF FINANCE is the recording and financial officer of the organization, having general charge of the property of the organization and responsible for collecting or receiving all monies from the student(s) and any and all other monies or property of any kind whatsoever, due, given, or bequeathed to the organization, or otherwise for the benefit of or belonging to the organization, and keeping the same in such funds or places and manner and making payments and disbursements from the said funds after approval by the President. Additional duties of this officer are detailed in Article III Section 3 of the Bylaws.

- IV. The VP OF SOCIAL RELATIONS shall be responsible for organizing all networking events and coordinating all meetings and socials of the organization. This includes all marketing and publicity of the organization. The VP of Social Relations shall be responsible for all executing duties as requested by the President and Vice President. Additional duties of this officer are detailed in Article III Section 4 of the Bylaws.

- V. The VP OF ADMINISTRATION shall be responsible for recording all meeting notes reserving meeting times on the academic calendar, and general duties and communications as prescribed by the President as needed. This officer shall submit the meeting minutes for approval to the Executive Board. The VP of Administration shall also be responsible for keeping record of all meetings, functions, and fundraisers, etc. participated in or held by the Immigration Law Organization. The officer may keep records by taking photographs, keeping articles, or anything else that may be of interest to the organization in keeping for future record.

- VI. Each Student Member shall be a representative of the student members of the organization and shall assist the other members of the Executive Board in maintaining open channels of communication. Each student member shall also have such other duties as are prescribed by the President.

ARTICLE VI. REVENUE AND DISBURSEMENTS

SECTION 1. Each member shall pay the membership dues at the beginning of each Academic year. The Executive Board shall determine the method of collecting the membership fee.

ARTICLE VII. PUBLICATIONS

SECTION 1. All publications for the organization shall be made under the supervision and approval of the Executive Board.

PART II. THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

ARTICLE I. ORGANIZATION

The Executive Board shall consist of the PRESIDENT, VICE PRESIDENT, VICE PRESIDENT OF FINANCE, VICE PRESIDENT OF SOCIAL RELATIONS, AND VICE PRESIDENT OF ADMINISTRATION.

ARTICLE II. AUTHORITY

The Executive Board shall have such powers as are granted by this Constitution.

ARTICLE III. PROCEDURE

The Executive Board shall meet in session at the call of either the President or Vice President.

ARTICLE IV. POWERS

The Executive Board shall have the following powers:

SECTION 1. To expel or suspend any member from any or all rights and privileges in the organization upon a showing of good cause

SECTION 2. To remove elected officers. Any student member holding such an elective office in this organization shall be subject to removal from office, for good and sufficient cause, by the Executive Board. The following may constitute good and sufficient cause for removal from office of any such student officer or officers: violation of the oath of office, including malfeasance, misfeasance, or nonfeasance; any failure to render necessary reports, to liquidate indebtedness due the organization; willful disregard or violation of this Constitution; failure or inability of a student officer or officers to conduct operations so as to perpetuate that organization's existence; or any action tending to discredit the organization. Upon learning or being advised of any such detrimental actions or inactions, the Executive Board shall promptly advise the faculty advisor and administration to assist in ascertaining the facts, hold any necessary hearings, take charge, if necessary, of all appropriate organization records, funds, and other assets, and conduct the removal of the officer or officers in question and the election of their successor officers.

NOTE: provided that the Executive Board or any member is adversely affected by any action taken on the basis of the aforementioned powers,

they shall have the right to appeal to the Executive Board of the organization or the Student Bar Association, by filing such appeal. Such right of appeal must be exercised no later than thirty (30) days after the date that notice of such action is sent to that member or members.

- SECTION 3. To make all appropriations from the treasury.
- SECTION 4. To collect or receive all monies or property of any kind whatsoever, real, personal, or mixed and wherever situate which is or shall become due to the organization, its officers or members, either by agreement, assessment, gift, devise, bequests and grants by will or otherwise, for the general or special benefit of the organization or its members, objectives or purposes, either directly or indirectly, or in pursuance of the provisions of this Constitution.
- SECTION 5. To borrow money for the benefit of and in the name of the organization, pledge, hypothecate or mortgage the properties of the organization as security, therefore, to invest the funds of the organization and to transfer.
- SECTION 6. To perform any and all duties necessary to carry out the provisions of this Constitution.

PART III. BYLAWS

ARTICLE I. AUTHORITY

The Executive Board, may adopt or amend the bylaws not in conflict with the provisions of this Constitution, by majority vote of the members present and voting at any meeting, so long as quorum exists. These adoptions, amendments, or modifications are subject to the approval of the Student Bar Association. A failure to present the Student Bar Association Council for approval may jeopardize the good standing of the organization in the Nova Southeastern University College of Law.

ARTICLE II. PROCEDURE

Bylaw amendments made by the Executive Board shall be subject to review by the member organization and the Student Bar Association.