THE CONSTITUTION OF

THE LOUISIANA ASSOCIATION FOR JUSTICE SOCIETY AT LOYOLA LAW SCHOOL

I. Name of the Organization and Statement of Purpose

1.0 The name of the organization shall be Louisiana Association for Justice Loyola Student Chapter (hereinafter "LAJ Loyola").

1.1 LAJ Loyola exists to support law students looking to become plaintiff-side attorneys who will represent the interests of victims, advocate for consumers' rights and equal access to justice. LAJ Loyola is focused on educating law students on different legal perspectives and preserving the civil justice system.

II. Membership

2.0 Membership is open to all Loyola Law School students and alumni.

2.1 Members are obligated to abide by this constitution and its by-laws.

2.2 Members have the right to participate in all events sponsored by LAJ Loyola and the right to vote in all LAJ Loyola matters brought before the general membership.

III. Leadership Structure and Powers

3.0 The executive board is the governing body of the organization and will consist of at least the following officers and chairs:

3.1 The President acts as the primary representative of LAJ Loyola in all external relations and presides over meetings of the executive board. This role involves directing and facilitating all general events and activities organized by LAJ Loyola. Together with the Vice-President, the President is responsible for drafting the organization's budget, which must then be reviewed and approved by the executive board. Additionally, the President is tasked with calling and overseeing all meetings of both the executive board and the general body.

3.2 The Vice-President primarily assists in organizing and facilitating events and activities for LAJ Loyola. This role includes helping to draft the organization's budget and fostering and maintaining relationships outside of Loyola Law School. Additionally, in the absence of the President, the Vice-President is responsible for calling and overseeing all meetings of both the executive board and the general body of LAJ Loyola.

3.6 A Communications Chair coordinates all communications and publicity, manages the current membership directory, maintains LAJ Loyola's social media pages, and sends newsletters to the current membership and the alumni.

3.7 An Events Chair is responsible for all matters related to LAJ Loyola events and the coordinating of support from the rest of the executive board to facilitate the planning of all LAJ Loyola's events.

3.10 A Secretary is generally responsible for archival of LAJ Loyola executive board and general meetings minutes and maintenance of the organization website.

3.11 Removal of a Sitting Officer

3.11.1 Failure to abide by the principles and laws of the constitution and/or negligence of the duties required of a member of the board will be cause for removal.

3.11.2 The removal of a sitting officer requires more than two-thirds vote of the entire board, with the officer who is the subject of the vote not participating.

3.11.3 The executive board at its discretion may hold elections according to the procedures outlined in Section IV to replace the removed officer.

3.12 The above list of executive board offices is subject to an amendment of the constitution.

IV. Elections for Board Positions

4.0 Elections will be held every spring no later than the third week in April or when the board decides.

4.1 Only current members may vote in an election. Absentee votes will be accepted on condition they are presented to the current board.

4.2 A member may run for more than one position; however, once elected for a position, they must hold only that position.

4.3 The length of election speeches and the order in which the positions are voted on shall be determined by the outgoing board.

4.4 No quorum will be required for the election to be valid.

4.5 To be elected, a member must win a majority of the direct and secret ballot votes of the members participating in the election.

4.6 In a run-off, absentee ballots will be recounted for the candidate originally selected by the absentee voter.

4.7 For any position that is not filled by a majority, a run-off between the two highest vote winners will be immediately conducted.

4.8 The date of the turnover to the new board will be determined by the outgoing board.

4.9 Candidates must run as individuals; no slates will be allowed.

V. Meetings

5.0 The executive board will hold regular meetings as they require.

5.1 Two-thirds of the executive board must attend for the executive meeting to be official.

5.2 On general business matters, the executive board will decide by majority vote.

5.3 General meetings when the entire membership is invited will be held regularly as the board decides.

VI. Ratifying and Amending the Constitution

6.0 Amendments to the constitution may be proposed by either a two-thirds vote of the entire board or a referendum from the membership.

6.1 All amendments regarding the structure of the board may be passed with a two-thirds vote of the entire board. Amendments addressing issues other than the structure of the board require a general membership vote.

6.2 For those amendments that require a general membership vote, the proposed amendment must first be approved by two-thirds of the entire board or pass the referendum requirements in Section

6.3 For those amendments that require a membership vote, one-third of the entire membership is the quorum required. Two-thirds of the voting members must vote in favor to ratify any proposed amendments.