

ADDITIONAL PROPOSALS BASED ON EMAIL DISCUSSION/SUGGESTIONS

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BYLAWS

Section 2. Member Classifications.

Member classifications shall be those of NALS, which are: individual (including NALS Life Members), members-at-large, retired, secondary, student, associate, honorary life, and honorary. *(See Article IV, Dues and Fees)*

Voting Members

Individual members shall be members in good standing of a chartered chapter or who work or reside in a geographic area where a chartered chapter does not exist. Individual members shall be primary members of only one chapter or state association.

Members-at-large shall be members in good standing who actively participate in the state association, shall retain all membership rights of an individual member and shall be voting members with the right to hold elective office.

Associate members shall be those interested in collaborating with legal professionals, (i.e., vendors, educators, judges, and attorneys). Associate members shall be voting members with the right to hold elective office.

Student members include students attending an accredited program relating to work of a legal nature who are classified by that school as taking at least 9 credit hours per semester/quarter of college credit. Student members shall be voting members with the right to hold elective office.

~~Life members shall be qualified individual members. Dues paid for life membership are nonrefundable and nontransferable and shall be effective only during such period as the life member qualifies as an individual member. Life members shall be voting members with the right to hold elective office. Life members shall continue to pay state and local dues annually.~~

Retired members shall be members in good standing, who are retired and have a total of five consecutive years as a member immediately prior to retirement, and who have either attained age 62 or have retired due to physical disability, **and shall be voting members with the right to hold elective office.**

At this time, the Mississippi Legal Professionals Association does not have a life-membership option.

~~Honorary life members include all past presidents of the Association, who shall retain all membership rights of an individual member and shall be voting members with the right to hold elective office. **Those Honorary Members who have paid dues as set forth in the standing rules are eligible to vote and hold office.**~~

Non-voting Members

Secondary Members shall include any individual member in good standing of another chapter or state association. Secondary members may not vote or hold elective office.

~~Associate members shall be those interested in collaborating with legal professionals, (i.e., vendors, educators, judges, and attorneys). Associate members may not vote or hold elective office except as specifically provided in these bylaws.~~

Honorary members are selected by the board **or membership** because of outstanding or special service for the legal profession or for this Association and may not vote or hold elective office, unless otherwise qualified as a voting member.

~~Student members include students attending an accredited program relating to work of a legal nature **who are classified by that school as taking at least 9 credit hours per semester/quarter of college credit and may not vote or hold elective office, except as specifically provided in these bylaws.**~~

STANDING RULES

(Throughout the document, reference to appropriate sections of the Manual of Policy and Procedures were included.)

RULE NO. 2. MEMBERSHIP DUES

The dues of the membership shall be:

1)	Individual	\$10/year
2)	Member at Large	\$10/year
3)	Honorary Life[†]	\$10/year
4)	Retired	\$5/year
5)	Secondary	\$5/Year
6)	Student	\$5/Year \$10/Year
7)	Associate	\$5/Year \$10/Year
8)	Honorary	No Dues

RULE NO. 6(E)

(Modified to clarify that expenses come from the annual meeting funds held by host chapter).

- E. Annual membership meeting expenses shall be the responsibility of the Annual Meeting Committee of the host chapter who shall determine what expenses are necessary. Said expenses are to be paid from registration fees and sponsors fees collected by the host chapter. For further guidance regarding expenses of the annual meeting, see *Manual, Section IV. A.* ~~limited to the cost of the outgoing president's scrip ticket and room, name badges, director and officer ribbons, award ribbons, flowers or such other symbol or gift used in the installation of officers and award certificates.~~ *(Note: The cost of the outgoing president's scrip ticket and room, up to the minimum double room rate for a maximum of two nights, shall be borne by the Association, utilizing the President's budgeted expense, and not the annual meeting committee).*

~~[†]Honorary life members who are retired will pay only the retired dues of \$5.~~