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**BYLAWS
OF THE
TRUSTS AND ESTATES SECTION
OF THE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION**

ARTICLE I

NAME

This organization shall be known as the Trusts and Estates Section of the Los Angeles County Bar Association.

ARTICLE II

PURPOSE

The purpose of this organization shall be to improve the knowledge of the members of the Section and the Bar in the areas of the law involving trusts and estates, to form an available working unit to assist in the activities of the Los Angeles County Bar Association, and otherwise to further the interests of the Los Angeles county Bar Association and the legal profession as a whole.

ARTICLE III

MEMBERSHIP

Section 1. Member. Any member of the Los Angeles County Bar Association shall be eligible for membership in the Trusts and Estates Section.

Section 2. Associates. Legal Assistants and non-attorney Trust Officers shall be eligible for associate status of the Trusts and Estates Section if sponsored by a member of the Section. Associates shall participate in all Section activities except that associates shall not be eligible to serve on the Executive committee or as Section or Standing Committee members and shall not participate in the election of officers. The prerequisite to associate status shall also be the payment of dues required of the Section members for the current fiscal year.

ARTICLE IV

OFFICERS

Section 1. Designation and Term. The officers of the Section shall be as follows: Chair, Vice-Chair, and Secretary-Treasurer. The term of office of each of these officers shall be one (1) year.

Section 2. Vacancies. Vacancies in any office shall be filled by action of the Executive Committee of the Section and each officer so selected shall hold office until the election and installation of his or her successor.

ARTICLE V

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Section 1. Chair. The Chair, as chief executive officer, shall preside at all meetings of this Section and

of its Executive Committee. He or she shall have such other executive powers and perform such other duties as are not inconsistent with these Bylaws or with the Articles and Bylaws of the Los Angeles County Bar Association.

Section 2. Vice-Chair. The Vice-Chair of this Section shall perform all the duties of the Chair during the latter's absence or inability to act, and when so acting, shall have all the powers of, and be subject to the restrictions upon, the Chair. The Vice-Chair shall have such other powers and perform such other duties not inconsistent with these Bylaws as from time to time may be prescribed by the chair or by the Executive Committee.

Section 3. Secretary-Treasurer. The Secretary-Treasurer shall be responsible for the taking of minutes at each meeting of the Executive Committee and the Section and for the finances of the Section. The Secretary-Treasurer shall have such other duties not inconsistent with these Bylaws as from time to time may be prescribed by the chair or by the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE VI

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Section 1. Membership. This Section shall have an Executive Committee composed of the officers of the Section, the immediate past Chair of the Section, and eighteen (18) active members of the Section. The members of the executive Committee (other than the officers and immediate past Chair) shall be appointed by the Chair. The Chair shall appoint six (6) members to the Executive Committee each fiscal year.

The Chair shall also fill any vacancies existing on the Executive Committee during his or her term of office.

Section 2. Term. The term of office of each member of the Executive committee appointed by the Chair shall be three (3) years. Except for officers and the immediate past Chair, no member of the executive Committee shall serve more than one (1) full term, but may be reappointed after an absence on the Executive Committee of one (1) year. Notwithstanding the foregoing, a majority of officers of the Section may waive the one(1) year absence requirement for any person. If appointed to fill a vacancy, a member may be reappointed to a full term after serving out the term of the vacancy to which he or she was appointed.

Section 3. Duties. The Executive committee shall supervise and direct the affairs and determine the policies of the Section, subject to, and in accordance with, these Bylaws and the Articles and Bylaws of the Los Angeles County Bar Association.

Section 4. Meetings. The Executive Committee may act at a meeting duly called or by a poll of each member of the Executive Committee. Meetings of the Executive committee shall be called by the Chair or may be called by a majority of the Executive Committee. Notice of such meetings shall be given to the Executive Committee not less than two (2) days prior to such meeting. A poll of the members of the Executive Committee may be conducted by the Chair or any member(s) designated by the Chair over the telephone and/or through the United States mail.

Section 5. Dues. The Executive Committee shall have the power to assess annual membership dues in an amount determined by the Executive Committee.

Section 6. Quorum. Ten members of the executive Committee including officers shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE VII
COMMITTEES

Section 1. Standing Committees. The Trusts and Estates Section shall have such standing committees as determined by the Chair, or a majority of the Executive Committee.

Section 2. Special/Interim Committees. The Chair or a majority of the Executive Committee shall have the power to appoint such special or interim committees as are deemed necessary for furthering the objectives of the Section.

Section 3. Chair of Committees. The Chair of each standing committee and any special or interim committees shall be selected by the Chair of the Section.

Section 4. Members. The members of each standing committee shall be selected by the Chair of such committee, if not disapproved by a majority of the Executive Committee.

Section 5. Term. The term of the Chair of such committee and the members of each committee shall be one

year or such other period as may be determined by the Chair, if not disapproved by a majority of the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE VIII

MEETINGS OF MEMBERS

Section 1. Meetings. The Trusts and Estates Section shall hold regular meetings of its members during each year. Meetings of the members may be called by the Chair, Vice-Chair, or by a majority of the members of the Executive Committee.

Section 2. Notices. Notice of the time and place of each meeting shall be given to all members at least five days prior to the date of such meeting.

Section 3. Quorum. Twenty members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any meeting of the members of the Section.

Section 4. Rules. All meetings of the Section shall be conducted in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order.

ARTICLE IX

AMENDMENT TO BYLAWS

These Bylaws may be amended by the Executive Committee by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members present at a meeting duly called or by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the members of the Executive Committee polled pursuant to the provisions of Article VI, Section 4 of these Bylaws, subject to ratification by the Board of Trustees of the Los Angeles County Bar Association.

ARTICLE X
ELECTIONS

Section 1 Time. The Trusts and Estates Section shall hold a regular annual election for the election of officers. The date of the regular annual election shall be each year on a day in the month of May selected by the Los Angeles County Bar Association.

Section 2. Nominating Committee. There shall be a Nominating Committee of three (3) persons chosen by the Chair of the Section from active members in good standing of the section. The Nominating Committee shall nominate one (1) or more members of the Section for each of the offices of Chair, Vice-Chair, and Secretary-Treasurer. Each nominee for office in the Section must have serviced on the executive Committee for a minimum of two (2) years prior to his or her nomination.

The written report of the Nominating Committee stating the names of the persons so nominated shall be forwarded to the Chair of the Section at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of the regular annual election; and the members of the Section shall be notified of such nominations at least twenty-five (25) days prior to the date of such election.

Section 3. Additional Nominations. Additional nominations for any office may be made by filing with the Chair of the Section, at any time prior to fifteen (15) days before the annual election, a written nomination signed by at least twenty (20) members of the Section in good standing entitled to vote.

Section 4. One Candidate For Each Office. If the Nominating Committee nominates only one candidate for each position, and if no one is nominated in accordance with Article X, Section 3 of these Bylaws, then the slate as nominated will be deemed unanimously elected. The results shall be reported in writing to the members of the Section.

Section 5. Ballots. Except as provided in Article X, Section 4 of these Bylaws, a ballot containing the names of the nominees for each office, with blank write-in space after each office, shall be mailed to each member of the section entitled to vote not later than ten (10) days prior to the annual election date. The ballots shall be in such form and shall contain such instructions as may be prescribed by the Executive Committee. Each member shall be entitled to vote for a nominee or other member of the Section for each office to be filled at the election.

Section 6. Voting. Ballots must be received at the Los Angeles County Bar Association office in accordance with the instructions written or furnished with the ballot not later than 4:00 p.m. on the election day, at which time the voting shall cease and the polls shall close.

Section 7. Counting. Immediately upon the close of the balloting, the votes shall be canvassed and counted by the Association staff in accordance with standard procedures.

Section 8. Votes To Elect. A plurality of votes cast shall elect. In case two (2) or more candidates for one office shall receive an equal number of votes, a ballot

shall be taken between such candidates at the first regular monthly meeting thereafter.