

FEDERAL BAR ASSOCIATION Social Security Section Bylaws

ARTICLE I: — NAME AND ESTABLISHMENT.

The name of this organization is the Social Security Section (hereinafter "Section") of the Federal Bar Association (hereinafter "Association"). The Section is established under Article VIII of the Constitution and Bylaws of the Association and these By-Laws.

ARTICLE II: — PURPOSE.

The purpose of this Section shall be to further the purpose of the Association as stated in its Constitution and to encourage the education of federal and other attorneys regarding Social Security.

ARTICLE III: — MEMBERSHIP AND DUES.

Section 1. Active Membership. Any active member of the Association in good standing and any honorary member shall be eligible for active membership in the Section and shall be enrolled as a member upon written request, and upon the payment of the annual Section dues of \$10.

Section 2. Dues. Section dues for active members shall be collected annually at the same time Association dues are collected. The amount of dues shall be approved by the National Council of the Association (hereinafter "National Council").

Section 3. Termination of Membership. Any active member of the Section whose annual dues are more than six months past due shall cease to be a member or associate of the Section.

ARTICLE IV: — OFFICERS.

Section 1. Officers. The Officers of the Section shall be the Chairperson and the Vice Chairperson.

Section 2. Terms. The Chairperson shall be appointed by the President of the Association for a term of three(3) years. The Vice Chairperson shall be appointed by the Chairperson for a term of one (1) year. All terms shall be co-terminous with the applicable fiscal year of the Association.

Section 3. Duties of Officers.

Chairperson. The chairperson shall be the chief executive officer of the Section at meetings of the Board. The Chairperson shall cause the Association and the Section's membership to be informed of the Section's activities, and shall perform such other functions as usually pertain to the office or as may be designed by the Board. Other duties shall include:

- a. Recommending changes in Section dues to the National Council.
- b. Recommending changes in the Section's Committee structure to National Council.
- c. Recommending changes in the Section's by-laws to the National Council.
- d. Approving the annual budget.
- e. Appointing Vice Chairpersons, Committee Chairpersons, and Committee Members.

Vice Chairperson. The Vice Chairperson shall represent the following Committees:

- a. Social Security Disability Committee. This Committee is responsible for the advancement of the membership's expertise in matters concerning disability and claims processing under the Social Security Act, rules, procedures, evidentiary requirements, attorney fees, administrative process, and judicial review.
- b. Public Awareness of Rule Changes Committee. This Committee is responsible for the advancement of the membership's expertise regarding rule changes in the practice of Social Security cases.

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ARTICLE V: — MEETINGS.

Section 1. Section Meetings. Meetings of the Section membership shall be at the call of the Chairperson or the Board. There shall be at least one annual meeting of the membership of the Section, via teleconference at the option of the Chairperson.

Section 2. Committee Meetings. Committee meetings shall be at the discretion of the respective Committee Chairpersons. The Committee Chairperson must conduct a minimum of one written survey of all Committee members per year, and shall obtain written and/or facsimile votes on all recommended policy changes proposed to be submitted to Section officers.

Section 3. Public Statements. A Committee may issue reports, make public announcements, and publicly advocate positions on issues of concern to the Section only with prior approval of the National Council.

ARTICLE VI: — BY-LAWS.

Section 1. Effective Date. These bylaws shall be effective immediately upon approval of the National Council.

Section 2. Amendment. These bylaws may be amended by membership approval obtained by fax or in writing, but, the amendment shall not become effective until approved by the National Council.

ARTICLE VII: — SUNSET PROVISION.

Section 1. On September 1, 2000, a census will be taken of the membership of the Social Security Section. In there are fewer than 200 members, the section will be dissolved in 30 days.

Section 2. Article Repealed: This article is repealed on October 2, 2000, without any further action by the membership.