

The Fellows of the
American Bar Foundation

BYLAWS

Proposed bylaws changes shown in red

ARTICLE V Contributions of The Fellows

Section 5.01. Annual Contributions.

Each State Fellow, Fellow-At-Large or International Fellow elected before December 31, 2002, is expected to contribute to the Foundation a minimum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200) per year for a minimum of ten (10) consecutive years.

Any State Fellow, Fellow-At-Large or International Fellow elected **after between** January 1, 2003 **and August 31, 2017** is expected to contribute to the Foundation a minimum of Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$250) per year for a minimum of ten (10) consecutive years.

Any State Fellow, Fellow-At-Large or International Fellow elected after August 31, 2017, shall pledge to contribute to the Foundation a minimum of Three Hundred Dollars (\$300) per year for a minimum of ten (10) consecutive years.

Membership in The Fellows is based upon the calendar year. Each member shall be billed for the ensuing year in September of the preceding year and in no event shall payment for a membership year be made later than August 31st of the membership year. Any State Fellow, Fellow-At-Large or International Fellow who fails to make an annual contribution on or before August 31st of the membership year shall automatically cease to be a Fellow and shall be under no obligation to make further contributions; provided, however, that the Board of Directors of the Foundation may, in its discretion, extend the maturity of any such installments.

Contributions for more than one year may be made at any time. In the event of the resignation or death of a State Fellow, Fellow-At-Large or International Fellow, there shall be no continuing obligation to make

any further contributions. In no event shall the Foundation be required to refund to any State Fellow, Fellow-At-Large or International Fellow any contribution or part thereof.

Section 5.02. Life Fellows.

~~Any State Fellow, Fellow-At-Large or International Fellow who makes contributions to the Foundation aggregating ten (10) times the amount of such Fellow's annual contribution at the time of such Fellow's election, shall automatically become a Life Fellow.~~

~~Upon fulfillment of one's initial pledge of support (See Section 5.01), any State Fellow, Fellow-At-Large or International Fellow shall automatically become a Life Fellow.~~

Upon reaching the status of a Life Fellow, a Fellow will no longer be considered within the category of a State Fellow, Fellow-At-Large, or International Fellow. Life Fellows shall constitute a separate category. Persons who are Life Fellows are not obligated to make contributions to the Foundation, but are invited and encouraged to do so to the extent possible..

Section 5.03. ~~Classes of Life~~ Fellows Giving Societies.

There are the following ~~classes of Life~~ Fellows Giving Societies:

~~A. Sustaining Life Fellow:~~

~~A Sustaining Life Fellow is a Life Fellow who, after becoming a Life Fellow, has continued to contribute the annual minimum contribution the Fellow was required to contribute in order to become a Life Fellow. In the year the contribution is made, such Life Fellow shall be deemed a Sustaining Life Fellow.~~

A. Life Fellow.

A Life Fellow is any Fellow who has fulfilled his or her initial pledge of support.

B. ~~Life~~ Patron Fellow.

A ~~Life~~ Patron Fellow is any Life Fellow who, ~~in the aggregate~~, has contributed ~~a total of~~ Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000) to Nine Thousand Nine Hundred ~~and~~ Ninety-Nine Dollars (\$9,999) to the Foundation.

C. ~~Life~~ Benefactor Fellow.

A ~~Life~~-Benefactor Fellow is any Life Fellow who, in the aggregate, has contributed a total of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000) to ~~Twenty-Four Thousand Nine Hundred and Ninety-Nine Dollars (\$24,999)~~ Seventeen Thousand Four Hundred Ninety-Nine Dollars (\$17,499) to the Foundation.

D. ~~Life~~ Leadership Fellow.

A ~~Life~~-Leadership Fellow is any Life Fellow who, in the aggregate, has contributed a total of ~~Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000)~~ Seventeen Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$17,500) to ~~Twenty-Four Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Nine Dollars (\$24,999)~~ to the Foundation.

E. Visionary Fellow.

A Visionary Fellow is any Life Fellow who, in the aggregate, has contributed a total of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000) to Forty-Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Nine Dollars (\$49,999) to the Foundation.

F. Philanthropist Fellow.

A Philanthropist Fellow is any Life Fellow who, in the aggregate, has contributed a total of Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$50,000) or more to the Foundation.