
**THE CLEVELAND LAW LIBRARY ASSOCIATION
NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING
& NEWSLETTER**

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ANNUAL MEETING NOTICE

The Annual Meeting of The Cleveland Law Library Association will be held on **Monday, January 8 at 11:00 a.m.** in the Arthur W. Fiske Reading Room of the Library, Fourth Floor, Cuyahoga County Courthouse. The purpose of the meeting is to consider and act upon the following matters:

A. Amendments to the Constitution

(Capital letters indicate new language; brackets indicate deletions.)

1. Article IV - A - Change date of annual meeting to the second Monday in March instead of second Monday in January.

A. Annual Meeting. An annual meeting of the members of the Association shall be held on the second Monday [in January] **IN MARCH**, the business of which shall include:

1. Determination of a quorum of ten members.
2. Reading of the minutes of the previous annual meeting.
3. Reports of the Librarian and Treasurer of the Association.
4. Consideration of unfinished business.
5. Consideration of new business.
- [6. Approval of any proposed changes in the operating assessment for the calendar year.]
- [7]6. Election of trustees.

Reason for change: The early meeting date makes it difficult to present a complete and accurate financial report for the previous year. January's weather and business activity often make it difficult to attract members to the annual meeting and the notice of the meeting is often lost or overlooked in the holiday rush.

2. Article III-D-1. Giving Board of Trustees Authority to set annual dues.

1. Annual Assessment. [At each meeting, the regular members of the Association shall approve any change in the assessment levied against each membership for use of the library during the calendar year.] **THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES SHALL ESTABLISH THE ASSESSMENT TO BE LEVIED AGAINST EACH CLASS OF MEMBERSHIP FOR USE OF THE LIBRARY.** [which] **SUCH** assessment shall be **DUE ON OR BEFORE** March 1 [following each annual meeting] **OF EACH YEAR** and may be subject to such discount for prompt payment as the Board of Trustees shall determine.

Reason for change: The Board has the responsibility of budgeting income and expenses each year and should be granted the authority to fix the assessment or dues for membership each year as part of that planning process. The present procedures are outmoded and need to be changed.

3. Article VI-C Provides for quarterly Board meetings rather than designated by month.

C. Meeting. Regular meetings of the Board of Trustees shall be held **ON A QUARTERLY BASIS** [during the months of January (after the annual meeting), April, September, and December.] Special meetings of the board may be held at any other time upon the call of the president or on the request of any other member of the board. The time and place of all meetings of the board shall be set by the president. Three trustees shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of all business.

Reason for change: Quarterly meetings give flexibility. Other changes result from change in date of annual meeting in Article IV-A.

4. Article VIII - Adopt new Article VIII - Indemnification; renumber existing Article VIII - Amendments - as Article IX.

Article VIII - INDEMNIFICATION

THE ASSOCIATION SHALL INDEMNIFY AND PAY THE EXPENSES OF ANY PERSON DESCRIBED IN AND ENTITLED TO INDEMNIFICATION OR PAYMENT OF EXPENSES UNDER SECTION 1702.12(E) OF THE OHIO REVISED CODE AND THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF OHIO TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED.

Article [VIII] IX. Amendments (Renumber only)

Reason for Change: The Association is governed by the Nonprofit Corporation law and the Trustees, officers, employees and agents of the Association should be entitled to the protection accorded them under Section 1702.12(E) of the Ohio Revised Code.

B. Assessment for 1990

Faced with a projected budget deficit for 1990 brought upon by the escalating costs of legal materials and increased cost of insurance, the Board of Trustees recommends an increase in the annual dues assessment from \$90.00 to \$100.00 with a

\$5.00 discount per member paid on or before March 1, 1990. If enacted, the following rates will apply in 1990:

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
Regular member:	\$90.00	100.00
First year regular member:	60.00	67.00
Student:	45.00	50.00
Student Associate (3 mos.):	22.50	25.00

C. Election of Trustees

The following trustees have agreed to let their names be placed in nomination for re-election to the Board in 1990:

Thomas A. Quintrell, Arter & Hadden.
President, 1988-89; Vice President, 1975-1987.
Member of the Board, 1967-

George Downing, Baker & Hostetler.
Vice President, 1988-89.
Member of the Board, 1967-

Charles M. Driggs, Squire Sanders & Dempsey.
Member of the Board, 1977-

Albert J. Morhard, Rhoa Follen & Rawlin.
Member of the Board, 1974-

Robert H. Rawson, Jr., Jones Day Reavis & Pogue.
Appointed to the Board, 1989.

Lawrence E. Stewart, Stewart & DeChant.
Member of the Board, 1987-

Fred Weisman, Weisman Goldberg & Weisman.
Member of the Board, 1975-

NEW TRUSTEE APPOINTED

Patrick F. McCartan, a member of the Board of Trustees since 1977, has resigned his seat because travel demands make it difficult for him to attend meetings. At the December 6 Board meeting, the Trustees accepted Mr. McCartan's resignation with regrets, and adopted a resolution thanking him for his many years of superb service and support.

The Board appointed Robert H. Rawson, Jr., Cleveland Administrative Partner of Jones, Day, Reavis and Pogue, to the seat vacated by Mr. McCartan. Mr. Rawson is a graduate of Princeton University and Harvard Law School; his distinguished civic activities record includes membership on the boards of the National Civic League, Gov-

ernmental Research Institute, Cleveland Scholarship Programs, Inc., Cleveland Education Fund, Youth Opportunities Unlimited, Inc., Cleveland Chapter of the National Conference of Christians and Jews, and the Cleveland Center for Economic Education. He is a member of the American, Ohio State and Greater Cleveland Bar Associations, and Secretary of the Ohio Selection Committee of the American Association of Rhodes Scholars.

Mr. Rawson accepted the appointment and agreed to run for election to the Board at the January annual meeting.

120 YEARS OLD AND THRIVING

The Law Library celebrates its 120th Anniversary on December 18, commemorating the date in 1869 when sixty-six members of the Association of the Bar of Cuyahoga County met in the County Courthouse to organize a Law Library "for the promotion of the science of the Law." The founding members contributed their private libraries to form the association's initial book stock; thereafter, the annual dues of the members funded book purchases.

These cooperative efforts of the bar have built a premier legal research facility designed to meet the needs of the practitioner which now serves over 3,300 members. Dues invoices will reach you early in January, 1990; please remit payment promptly so that we may continue our tradition of excellent and innovative service to the legal community in Cuyahoga County.

From the Librarian

This newsletter issue announces a significant agenda for the *Annual Meeting on January 8, 1990, at 11:00 a.m.* in the Law Library. Please take this opportunity to participate in the Library's governance.

On behalf of the Staff and Trustees, I wish each of our members a peaceful and joyous Holiday Season. We look forward to working with you in 1990.

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