BYLAWS
OF
WILLIAM S. BOYD SCHOOL OF LAW ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA-LAS VEGAS

ARTICLE 1
NAME AND OFFICES

1.1. The name of the Association is the William S. Boyd School of Law Alumni Association (the "Association"). The Association is a Subchapter of the UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA-LAS VEGAS ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, INC., a Nevada Non-Profit Corporation (the "UNLV Alumni Association").

1.2. The principal offices of the Association shall be in the office of the Dean of the William S. Boyd School of Law, 4505 Maryland Parkway, Las Vegas, Nevada 89154-1010, and such other offices as the Board of Directors may from time to time authorize.

ARTICLE 2
PURPOSE

2.1. Mission Statement: The Association seeks to develop relationships and establish lifelong connections between the Boyd School of Law (BSL), its alumni, and friends. The Association’s goal is to increase support for the Association’s mission and goals to cultivate goodwill through the strategic and deliberate development of alumni as leaders, volunteers, advocates, and donors. Further, the Association is the voice for alumni by serving as the liaison between the alumni of BSL, the BSL administration, the University and the Nevada legal community.

2.2. Objectives:
2.2.1. Foster relationships with alumni and Law School Community.
2.2.2. Develop general activities, programs and resources relevant to Law School issues.
2.2.3. Generate endowment and other funds for scholarships, Law School program support (i.e., Society of Advocates, Law Journal, Clinic, etc.), and lecture series.

ARTICLE 3
MEMBERSHIP

3.1. Members of the Association must be members of the UNLV Alumni Association in good standing. In addition, William S. Boyd School of Law alumni may choose the William S. Boyd School of Law as the college chapter with which they wish to affiliate in accordance with the protocols and guidelines established by the UNLV Alumni Association.
3.2. Any person, group of persons, or organization not otherwise eligible for membership who wishes to receive all publications from and information about the Association may become a Friend of the Association by paying the required dues.

ARTICLE 4
ANNUAL MEETINGS

4.1. Annual Meetings of the Members of the Association shall be held shall be held in October to correspond with the annual alumni dinner, or at such other place or time that the Board of Directors shall provide. Notice of Annual Meetings is hereby dispensed with and these By-Laws shall be deemed to be notice to all Members of the time and place of such meeting, except as otherwise provided for above.

ARTICLE 5
BOARD MEMBERS AND THEIR ELECTION, MEETINGS AND DUTIES

5.1. The Board will consist of up to thirteen (13) voting Members, including the Officers. The Board will also consist of a number of non-voting Member-At-Large deemed appropriate by the current voting Members.
5.1.1. Each voting Member’s term will expire at the end of the calendar year (December 31) of the third year following their election to the Board.
5.1.2. Each non-voting Member-At-Large will serve a term of one (1) year.

5.2. Each Member’s term will begin in September of the year that he or she is elected.
5.2.1. Each voting Member’s voting duties will commence on January 1 of the calendar year following their election.
5.2.2. Elections shall be conducted in accordance with the By-Laws and such additional elections procedures as the Board may from time to time adopt.

5.3. Each annual Member election shall be conducted by the voting Board members. The Executive Committee, as defined in Article 6.1, shall select the persons for the Board to vote on. In selecting candidates, the Executive Committee should first look to Members-At-Large and non-Board members who serve on Committees. However, the Executive Committee shall have the option of looking outside of the Members-At-Large and non-Board members who serve on Committees, which may include members who submit their name for nomination by whatever process the Board approves. The qualified nominees listed on the ballot who receive the highest total number of votes from voting Members will be elected and assume their duties in September of the year elected. Each voting Member may vote for one candidate per open position. In the event of a tie between the candidates, a re-vote shall occur. In the event that the re-vote results in a tie, the President shall flip a coin after each candidate has been designated a side. The winner of the coin flip will be considered the winner of the tie.
5.4. Dues paying Alumni Association Members who are graduates of the Boyd School of Law may nominate themselves as a candidate for election by submitting a completed application form (see Appendix A). The Board may also open nominations to all graduates of the Boyd School of Law by passing a motion to do so. Nominations for the Board will be accepted from May 15 through June 1 or such other time as specified by the Board.

5.4.1. Once all nominations have been received, the Executive Committee will review the nominations and make selections for presentation to the Board at the July Board meeting.

5.4.2. Any necessary candidate interviews will take place before the August Board meeting.

5.4.3. Voting on the new Board Members will occur at the August Board meeting.

5.4.4. The newly elected Board Members will meet with the outgoing Board Members at the September Board retreat or the next scheduled Board meeting specified by the Board.

5.5. Should any vacancy on the Board arise for any cause whatsoever, the office shall be declared vacant at the next meeting of the Board. Nominations will then be accepted by e-mail for a period to be specified by the Board when the office is declared vacant. Following the close of the nominations, at the next meeting of the Board, an election shall be held. The candidate receiving the highest number of votes shall fill the vacancy for the unexpired term of the Member replaced.

5.6. In addition to the elected Members, the immediate Past-President of the Association shall be a voting Member of the Board for the one (1) year period immediately following such term of Presidency.

5.6.1. The immediate Past-President will be subject to the same attendance policy stated below for voting Members and Members-At-Large.

5.7. Regular Board Meetings shall be held on the first Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the principal office of the Association, or at such other time or place that the Members shall from time to time designate.

5.7.1. All voting Members and Members-At-Large are expected to attend all Board meetings. Any voting Member who misses more than fifty percent of the Board meetings in one calendar year may be subject to removal from the Board.

5.7.2. If a voting Member misses more than three (3) Board meetings in one calendar year, removal will be determined by a vote of the remaining voting Members at the next Board meeting after the third absence.

5.8. The following order of business shall be presided over by the President at any Regular or Special Board Meeting:

5.7.1. Call to Order

5.7.2. Approval of Minutes

5.7.3. Dean’s Report

5.7.4. SBA Liaison’s Report

5.7.5. UNLV Alumni Association Report
5.7.6. Committee Reports
5.7.7. Old Business
5.7.8. New Business
5.7.9. Miscellaneous Items
5.7.10. Adjournment

5.9. A quorum shall consist of over 50% of the total number of current voting Members of the Board.

ARTICLE 6
OFFICERS AND THEIR ELECTION, MEETINGS AND DUTIES

6.1. The Association Officers shall consist of a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary and a Treasurer, all of whom shall be voting Members of the Association and shall serve without compensation. These officers comprise the “Executive Committee.

6.2. The Board shall elect the Officers to their respective offices annually. The election will take place at the October Board meeting. The election will be held by first taking nominations for each office in the order set forth above, and then voting on each such office in that same order. The vote shall occur by secret ballot. A simple majority of the voting Members is required for election.

6.2.1. If there are more than two candidates for any office and none obtain a majority, the two with the largest number of votes will have a run-off election.

6.2.2. If there is a tie following the run-off election, each candidate will be given the opportunity to make a short statement to the voting Members in support of their candidacy. Following these statements, a second run-off election will occur.

6.2.3. In the event of an unbreakable tie following the second run-off election, a single coin flip shall determine the winner.

6.3. Newly elected Officers’ terms will commence on January 1, and end on December 31, of the calendar year following their election.

6.4. The President shall be the chief executive officer of the Association with the power to supervise and direct the Association’s affairs, and to execute documents to the extent not specifically entrusted to some other Officer.

6.4.1. The President shall (i) preside at all Meetings of the Board, (ii) serve as a liaison to the Law School Administration and the Alumni Association, (iii) meet directly with the UNLV President and others on behalf of the Association, and (iv) in the event of a tie vote at any Board meeting, the President shall have an additional vote to break the tie. This excludes any tie votes regarding Member elections.

6.4.2. The President shall attend all UNLV Alumni Association meetings during his or her term. However, the President may choose another Executive Officer to attend all UNLV Alumni Association meetings as the Board representative for the elected term.

6.4.2. The President will also preside over Executive Committee sessions and set the agenda. The President has one vote on Executive Committee matters. In the
event of an unbreakable tie vote on an Executive Committee matter, the Executive Committee shall bring the matter to the full Board for a vote.

6.5. The Vice-President shall assume the duties of the President during the President’s absence including, without limitation, the duty to preside over Meetings of the Board and to represent the Association. The Vice-President will also have one vote on Executive Committee matters.

6.6. The Secretary shall keep and maintain the minutes of all Board Meetings. The Secretary will also have one vote on Executive Committee matters.

6.7. The Treasurer shall keep and maintain all Association books and financial records. The Treasurer shall also report on the Association’s financial condition at all Meetings of the Board and Executive Committee. The Treasurer will also have one vote on Executive Committee matters.

6.8. The Director of Alumni Relations for the William S. Boyd School of Law will serve as an ex-officio non-voting Member of the Board. In this role, the Director shall provide any required notice for all Board meetings and publish the minutes from the prior Board meeting in accordance with Nevada Open Meeting Laws.

6.8.1. The Director of Alumni Relations shall meet with the President on a bi-weekly basis to determine the needs of the Board.

6.8.2. The Director of Alumni Relations shall also maintain a Membership List.

6.9. The Members may, at their discretion, ask the William S. Boyd School of Law Student Bar Association (SBA) to appoint one or two liaisons from the Boyd student body. The Liaisons will serve for one year and may be reappointed by the SBA. Student liaisons will be non-voting members of the Board.

Article 7

COMMITTEES

7.1. The Board will seek a chair or co-chairs for each committee from those who express an interest in serving. Chairs/co-chairs will serve for one-year terms and may be reappointed at the Board’s discretion. At the Annual Retreat the Board will seek additional members and new chairs or co-chairs for the committees.

7.2. Committees and their Purposes:

7.2.1. Alumni Directory Committee: To develop ideas and review proposals to seek the best options for a comprehensive alumni database. Works with law school administration to ensure that the database serves both the needs of the law school as well as the needs of the alumni.

7.2.2. Alumni Events Committee: To organize Alumni Chapter events with a focus on maintaining the alumni connection to each other, and to the Boyd School of Law.

7.2.3. Bylaws Committee: To conduct an annual review of the Chapter’s Bylaw and Vision Statement to ensure that both the Bylaws and the Vision Statement serve
the needs of the chapter. The Committee will also aid the Chapter in making changes to the Bylaws when necessary.

7.2.4. Communications/Social Media Committee: To maintain the Chapter’s Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, blogs and other social media programs. The committee is also responsible for broadcasting chapter news and events to alumni through these social mediums.

7.2.5. Fundraising/Golf Tournament Committee: Responsible for organizing the annual alumni golf tournament, as well as seeking sponsorships and other methods of fundraising to support the Alumni Board’s activities and the law school.

7.2.6. Spring Fling Committee: To work with the law school administration to ensure that alumni are recruited, attend and participate in the event. Advises the law school on activities for the event that will best serve the alumni.

7.2.7. Student Relations Committee: To develop a regular communication plan between the alumni and current students. Participate with current students in developing alumni programming and events that serve both students and alumni.

7.3. These committees may be disbanded and new committees created to serve the needs of the current board. The disbandment or creation of a new committee will be by majority vote.

ARTICLE 8
AMENDMENT TO BY-LAWS

8.1. The By-Laws may be amended by a majority vote of the voting Members, provided that a copy of the proposed changes were given to each Member prior to such Meeting, and provided further that any change in the Association By-Laws shall be coordinated with and approved by the UNLV Alumni Association Board of Directors.

THE FOREGOING BY-LAWS WERE DULY READ, CONSIDERED, DISCUSSED, AND APPROVED BY A MAJORITY OF THE VOTING MEMBERS OF THE BOARD AT A MEETING DULY HELD ON THIS ___ DAY OF ___ , 2016.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the President and Secretary of the Association have subscribed this instrument on the day and year above written.

WILLIAM S. BOYD SCHOOL OF LAW ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
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By: ___________________________  By: ___________________________
President  Secretary

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