Constitution of **The Asian-Latino Law Students Association** of The University of Akron School of Law

ARTICLE I: NAME

The full name of this organization shall be The Asian-Latino Law Students Association of The University of Akron School of Law, (hereinafter referred to as ALLSA).

ARTICLE II: MEMBERSHIP

The purposes of ALLSA shall be:

- To provide an effective and visible body to articulate and promote the professional needs and goals of Asian and Latino law students at The University of Akron School of Law
- To support the academic performance of Asian and Latino law students.
- To assist Asian and Latino law students in securing summer clerkship and permanent employment.
- To celebrate and encourage diversity and multiculturalism at The University of Akron.
- To educate The University of Akron community about legal issues that impact Asians and Latinos.

ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP

- Membership is open to any students of The University of Akron School of Law who support the organization's goals.
- Members who pay dues as established by ALLSA's Executive officers are eligible to vote and participate in any of ALLSA's special programs.
- Voting members must be currently enrolled in The University of Akron School of Law and must have a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.0 (unless they are in their first semester of law school and do not yet have a law school grade point average).
- Membership may be revoked for cause by two-thirds (2/3) vote from all eligible voting members.

ARTICLE IV: THE EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

- There shall be Executive Officers of ALLSA consisting of President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary, and Membership Chair (hereinafter referred to as Executive Officers).
- The Executive Officers shall be jointly responsible for all the administrative duties of ALLSA.
- The Executive Officers shall be elected by majority vote of all eligible voting members of ALLSA.

- Elections will be coordinated by the current Executive Officers.
- Elections for the offices of Vice-President, Treasurer, Secretary and Membership Chair will be held within six weeks of the start of the Spring Semester.
- Executive Officers are elected to serve a term commencing on the date of their election and ending on the date of the election of the next year's Executive Officers during the following Spring Semester.
- In the event of a vacancy occurring in any of the elected offices, the remaining Executive Officers may nominate a successor to be approved by a majority of the eligible voting members.
- The President
 - The President shall have the power and responsibility to establish and maintain operation procedures of ALLSA, call meetings, and represent ALLSA in all official capacities.
 - The President shall vote on all decision affecting ALLSA and establish ashoc committees when necessary.
 - The President shall enforce order and decorum among the members at all ALLSA functions.
 - The President may also perform other duties as necessary to accomplish the purposes of ALLSA.
- The Vice-President
 - The Vice-President shall assist the President with all administrative duties and shall assume the duties of the President upon his or her absence or incapacity.
 - The Vice-President shall report to the appropriate law school administrator the details of any event that is performed in direct service to the community or as a fundraiser for a charitable organization outside the School of Law
 - The Vice-President may also perform other duties as necessary to accomplish the purposes of ALLSA.
- The Treasurer
 - The Treasurer shall receive and distribute ALLSA funds with the authorization of the President, in accordance with the financial rules and regulations of The University of Akron, the laws of the State of Ohio, and the laws of United States of America.
 - The Treasurer shall keep records of ALLSA's financial status and inform the Executive Officers of the financial status of ALLSA.
 - The Treasurer may also perform other duties as necessary to accomplish the purposes of ALLSA.
- The Secretary
 - The Secretary shall keep accurate and detailed record of all meetings and affairs concerning ALLSA, send/transmit all official ALLSA correspondence, and coordinate preparation of flyers, handouts, and all other ALLSA publications.
 - The Secretary may also perform other duties as necessary to accomplish the purposes of ALLSA.

- The Membership Chair
 - The Membership Chair shall be responsible for ALLSA membership, including but not limited to recruitment and retention of members.
 - The Membership Chair shall be responsible for ALLSA's social events.
 - The Membership Chair may also perform other duties as necessary to accomplish the purposes of ALLSA.
- Removal of Executive Officers
 - Executive Officers may be removed from office for cause. Cause includes but is not limited to: absence from three consecutively scheduled ALLSA events.
 - Cause may be confirmed by a three-fourths (3/4) vote from all eligible voting members.
 - No Executive Officer shall be removed for cause without three days notice of the on which his or her removal is based.
 - The Executive Officer to be removed for cause has the right to appear at a meeting and speak on his or her own behalf in opposition of the removal from office.

ARTICLE V: FACULTY ADVISOR

- The faculty advisor shall be a full-time faculty members or contract professional at The University of Akron School of Law.
- The Faculty Advisor will be recommended by the Executive Officers to the Dean of the School of Law.
- The Dean shall approve and select the Faculty Advisor.
- The term of office for the Faculty Advisor will be from the Fall to Spring Semesters of each year.

ARTICLE VI: MEETINGS

- General membership meetings shall be held at least twice a year. There shall be at least one general membership meeting in each of the Fall and Spring semesters.
- Additional meetings may be called at the discretion of the President.
- Notice of all meetings must be given to all members in the most timely manner possible and not less than 24 hours.
- The official means of notice shall be agreed upon at the first meeting held after the election of the new President.
- The Executive Officers shall meet when called by the President.
- Quorum shall be defined as fifty percent plus one of the eligible voting members of ALLSA.
- Attendance policy for members shall be to attend at least (2) events for each semester.

ARTICLE VII: FUNDING

- Dues for membership in ALLSA shall be determined by the Executive Officers and collected annually during the Fall Semester.
- ALLSA may undertake fundraisers for its own purposes. All fundraising shall be conducted in accordance with all applicable rules and regulations of The University of Akron.
- ALLSA shall apply for Extracurricular Activity Funding (EAF) according to the calendar prescribed by The University of Akron.
- The President, Vice-President, and Treasurer are responsible for submission of all EAF applications on behalf of ALLSA.
- ALLSA shall manage its own finances, in accordance with all applicable rules and regulations of The University of Akron.

ARTICLE VIII: AMENDMENTS

- Amendments to this Constitution shall be adopted by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of all eligible voting members.
- Once approved by the members and the faculty of The University of Akron School of Law, amendments shall be submitted to the appropriate office of The University of Akron.

ARTICLE IX: NONDISCRIMINATION CLAUSE

• ALLSA shall not discriminate on the basis of race, creed, national origin, ancestry, gender, sex, handicap, veteran status or sexual orientation in the selection of its members or in its programs.

ARTICLE X: STUDENT DEVELOPMENT CLAUSE

• ALLSA shall maintain a current registration form including a list of officers, their addresses, the name of the faculty advisor and the most recently amended Constitution with the Student Development office of The University of Akron.