# **Bylaws of The Fashion Law Society**

# **ARTICLE I: Membership**

## **Section 1:** Membership

Membership is defined in the Constitution.

## **Section 2:** Alumni Members

Alumni members shall be encouraged to participate as guest speakers, panelists, and generally to assist the student members as practicable from time to time. Alumni Members are non-voting members.

#### **ARTICLE II: Officers**

### **Section 1:** Executive Board

The elected Executive Officers of the Society's Executive Board shall consist of:

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Social media chair
- 1L Rep (1)
- 2L Rep (2)
- 3L Rep (2)
- Event coordinators (2)

### **Section 2:** Duties of the Executive Officers

### President

The President shall be chief spokesperson and coordinator for all Society affairs. The President shall preside over, maintain order, delegate tasks, and set the agenda for all meetings of the Society. The President shall attend all Inter-Club Council ("ICC") meetings or designate a representative to attend in his/her stead. Applications for E-board will be made by the president and vice president. The president shall be a voting member of the Executive Board. They must attend all fashion law events.

#### Vice-President

The Vice-President shall render assistance to the President as may be required. It shall be the Vice-President's duty to fill the vacancy when the President of the organization is absent, and preside over meetings in the President's absence. The Vice-President will take E-board minutes and send them to the president within two days of every E-board meeting. The Vice president will keep track of active members. Applications for E-board will be made by the president and vice president. The vice president shall be a voting member of the Executive Board. They must attend all fashion law events

# **Secretary**

The Secretary will assist the president & vice president as needed. They will also be responsible for communicating any announcements to all print and online publications of the Law School as may be deemed necessary of the Executive Board. The Secretary shall in the absence of the President and Vice-President perform the duties of the President. The secretary shall assist the events coordinator with event planning and workshops as needed. The secretary will take minutes and submit to hearsay upcoming FLS events. The Secretary will also keep track of new members and update the roster regularly. The secretary shall be a voting member of the Executive Board. They must attend all fashion law events.

#### Treasurer

The Treasurer shall be the chief custodian of the Society's funds. The Treasurer shall collect all dues as established by the Executive Board. The Treasurer shall keep the financial records of the Society, and an accounting of all receipts. The Treasurer shall be in charge of fundraising opportunities and submitting reports to LAFAC. The Treasurer will handle any deans funding requests. The treasurer shall be a voting member of the Executive Board. They must attend all fashion law events.

#### **Social Media Chair**

The social media chair shall keep a written history of the Society which summarizes the Society's events and socials, and shall update said history from time to time as deemed necessary by the Executive Board. The social media chair shall also take pictures at these events and maintain an album, which chronicles the Society's events and speakers. They will be responsible for creating and posting on social media accounts. They will be responsible for posting E-board introductions, event flyers, and advertising. The social media chair shall be a voting member of the Executive Board. They must attend all fashion law events.

## 1L Rep, 2L Rep & 3L Rep

The Reps will be responsible for informing their respective classes on any upcoming events the fashion law society is hosting. They will be responsible for supporting any E-Board

member as needed. Must be at all fashion law events. The Reps shall be voting members of the Executive Board. They must attend all fashion law events.

# **Event Coordinator(2)**

The event coordinators will be responsible for planning ALL events hosted by the Fashion Law Society. This will entail the Fashion Law Society fashion show, workshops, panels, and socials. The rest of the E-Board will support as needed. The Event Coordinator shall be a voting member of the Executive Board. The event coordinator must attend all fashion law events.

## **ARTICLE III: Elections and Voting**

# **Section 1: Qualifications**

A member who wants to apply for E-board must be a member in good standing.

#### **Section 2: Elections**

Executive Officers and Committee Chairpersons shall be elected during the Spring Semester, no later than Spring Break, by a closed ballot majority vote of the membership in good standing based on the application of the candidates. The term of office begins typically no later than mid April.

#### **Section 3: Election Procedures**

Applications for the E-Board will be made by the President and Vice President. Applications will open in Spring Semester. Members will have about 2-3 weeks to apply.

### **Section 4: Voting**

The E-Board will hold a meeting during which they will create a slate with the **most qualified** Candidates. The slate will include at least two candidates for each position (if applicable) and will be presented to all members of the society to vote. In the event of a tie, the two (2) candidates receiving the most votes will advance to a second ballot run-off, in which the candidate receiving the majority of the votes shall be elected to that position.

## **Section 5: Vacancies**

If an Executive Board position becomes vacant during the Fall or Spring Semesters, an emergency meeting will be called where members will be nominated and a vote will be taken to fill the vacancy. If the Presidency is left vacant, the Vice-President shall act as President until such time as elections can be held.

#### **Section 6: Removal of Executive Member**

Removal of an Executive Board member shall be initiated by a motion of the Executive Board and shall require the two-thirds (2/3) vote of the active members present.

# **ARTICLE V: Meetings**

# **Section 1: General Meetings**

Active members are expected to attend meetings. Meetings will range anywhere from monthly to semesterly depending on what is occurring during that time. Members are expected to support the fashion law society and attend events hosted by the fashion law society. The President and Vice President shall preside over the meetings, set the agenda for the meetings, and control discussion of agenda items.

#### **Section 2: Conduct**

Discussions shall be conducted in a professional and civil manner. Members will, at all times, conduct themselves in accordance with the provisions set forth in the University of Miami School of Law Honor Code.

## **Section 3: Emergency Meetings**

In the event of an emergency meeting, the Secretary shall notify the membership of the Society at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the time of said meeting.

## **Section 4: E-Board Meetings**

ALL E-Board members are expected to be at ALL E-Board meetings. Meetings will be flexible depending on what needs to be done that month. Meetings will range anywhere from Bi-weekly meetings to monthly meetings depending on the need.

### **ARTICLE VIII: Amendments**

The By-Laws of the Society may be amended from time to time, as deemed necessary by the E-bord. A two-thirds majority vote by the E-board in good standing shall be required for any amendments to the By-Laws. The By-Laws of the Society shall be recorded and kept by the Secretary.

# **Constitution of The Fashion Law Society**

**Article I: Name** 

Section 1: The name of this organization shall be <u>The Fashion Law Society</u>

## **Article II: Purpose**

Section 1: The purpose of this organization shall be to: bring together a group of law students who are interested in the fashion industry. These students share a passion for the fashion industry and related areas of the law, and they want to develop knowledge in these areas to help grow their careers. This society will encourage scholarship in fashion law as well as interest in intellectual property, international trade, contracts, labor and employment, entertainment, agency and internet law.

### **Article III: Affiliations**

Section 1: This organization is (not) affiliated with any other organization.

# **Article IV: Membership**

Section 1: General membership and Executive Board membership are open to all enrolled students at the University of Miami School of Law. The membership of this organization shall consist of students who have signed up for the Fashion Law Society emails.

Section 2: This organization and its members shall not discriminate against any individuals for reasons of race, religion, color, sex, age, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity/expression, veteran status, or national origin.

#### **Article V: Officers**

Section 1: The officers of the organization shall consist of the following:

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Social Media Chair
- 1L Rep (1)
- 2L Rep (2)
- 3L Rep (2)
- Event Coordinators (2)

The duties of the officers shall be set forth in the Bylaws.

Section 2: All officers must be members of the organization.

Section 3: The term of each office shall run from April to April and last for one year. If the organization does not elect officers prior to April the organization will become inactive in accordance with the rules of the University of Miami School of Law. The process for electing officers and filling vacancies shall be in accordance with the Bylaws.

## **Article VIII: Amendments**

Section 1: This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the E-Board at any regular or special meeting.