**JEWISH LAW STUDENTS ASSOCIATION**

*Constitution*

1. **Purpose**

The Jewish Law Students Association (JLSA) is a student run organization at the Moritz College of Law dedicated to providing a cultural and religious outlet for students and an opportunity for advancing knowledge on world events. JLSA exists to create networking and social opportunities, while being a reliable spiritual base for students who seek it.

1. **Eligibility and Date for Elections**

Each April, members of Jewish Law Students Association (individuals that attended at least two (2) JLSA events during the recent school year) will vote for the following year’s council. Candidates for council positions will be made eligible by being a standing member (having attended at least two (2) events during the recent school year) and by submitting a statement of interest for other members to use to evaluate candidates. Each member may only be eligible for one candidate position during Election Day. Candidates are free to change the position they are running up until three (3) days before Election Day. The candidate elected during Election Day will become an officer for the following school year.

1. **Listed Officers and Method of Selecting and/or Removing Officers .**

#### Appointment & Removal:

#### appointment: potential candidates may self-nominate themselves, or be nominated. Appointment for a position requires majority (at least 50%) approval by ALL of the officers of the JLSA, all of whom must be present for a quorum.

#### Removal: a registered member (one listed on the group page) can call for a removal of a candidate. Removal may only be executed with a majority (at least 50%) approval by ALL of the officers of the JLSA, all of whom must be present for a quorum. Officers are listed below.

#### President

#### Responsible for registering as a student group with the university

#### Make sure all official paperwork is complete, attend Presidents class

#### Build relationships with faculty – keep faculty in the loop

#### Is the VP of programming, VP of professional development, secretary, treasurer – President is the one to stay on top of each position making sure that each job gets done. If a job doesn’t get done it is the President’s job to make sure it gets done

#### In charge of coordinating with other law school groups

#### Facilitates all meetings (keeps group on track, furthers conversation) – set agendas for meetings

#### Vice President of programming

#### At the beginning of each semester scheduling the events for the entire semester

#### Social events (happy hours, Crew games, movies nights . . . etc.)

#### Fundraising events

#### Organize monthly meetings

#### Work closely with secretary, treasurer, and other VP to make sure group is productive

#### Vice president of professional development

#### Networking with Jewish community members

#### Organizing various networking events

#### Form relationship with Columbus Jewish Attorneys group

#### Organizing events with other professional/graduate schools

#### Secretary

#### Create and send monthly newsletter detailing holidays for the month, Shabbat plans around campus (or community), and JLSA updates

#### Sending out general group emails (ex. Once an event is planned, secretary is in charge of sending the reminders for the event)

#### Taking notes at every meeting, send notes to entire board after each meeting

#### Keep contact with Feivel

#### Treasurer

#### Responsible for registering as a student group with the university to secure funding

#### Communicating with Hillel, federation, and other Jewish organizations for funding

#### Focus on charity aspect of group

#### Creating a budget at the beginning of each semester allocating funds for various programs/apparel

#### In charge of funding for food at meetings

#### Vice President of Marketing

#### In charge of facebook group

#### Flyers around the school

#### General fundraising

#### Targeting 1Ls

1. **Non-Discrimination Policy**

Jewish Law Students Association and its members will not discriminate against any individual or group for reasons of age, color, disability, gender identity or expression, national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, or veteran status.

**V. Quorum Standards**

 If there are a total of 3 JLSA officers, all must be present to take action at a meeting. If there are a total of 4 JLSA officers, 3 must be present to take action at a meeting. If there are a total of 5 JLSA officers, 4 must be present to take action at a meeting. If there are a total of 6 JLSA officers, 4 must be present to take action at a meeting.