

# Constitution

## *Article 1 - Name, purpose, and Non-Discrimination Policy of the Organization*

### Section 1 - Name

- Undergraduate Law Review at The Ohio State University

### Section 2 - Purpose

- Undergraduate institutions provide countless opportunities for participating in meaningful discussion, creating innovative ideas, and promoting change. Students, however, are seldom given the opportunity to share their ideas on a larger platform. By creating an undergraduate law review, this organization is giving students—both at Ohio State and around the country—the opportunity to spread ideas and foster a larger discussion about important legal issues. The law permeates almost every area of our lives and undergraduate students provide a unique perspective that can benefit the larger legal dialogue.

### Section 3 - Objectives

- Release at least one law journal every academic year.
- Maintain a membership of 10+ Ohio State students.
- Obtain articles from undergraduate students across the nation.
- Stimulate discussion about legal issues at Ohio State.

### Section 4 - Non-Discriminatory Policy

- This organization and its members shall not discriminate against any individual(s) on the basis of race, religion, gender, sexual orientation, disability, veteran status, national origin, etc.

## *Article 2 - Qualifications and categories of membership*

Voting membership in this organization is limited to enrolled Ohio State students. Faculty, professionals, Moritz students, and other contributors may be granted non-voting honorary membership.

## *Article 3 - Organization Leadership*

### Section 1 - Executive Board

- Editor-in-Chief
  - The editor(s)-in-chief shall be elected with the vote of a plurality of active club members. With elections taking place in the month of April, the editor-in-chief's term will be in effect from the first day of Autumn semester until the last day of Spring semester.
  - The editor(s)-in-chief shall be responsible for overseeing all members and operations. He/she shall plan and guide this organization's meetings.
- Executive Editors
  - Executive editors shall be chosen through an application process. Students who are interested may apply for consideration and will be voted upon by the incumbent executive board.
  - Executive editors shall be responsible for working with authors on editing accepted papers for grammar, substance, flow, etc.
- Treasurer
  - The treasurer shall be chosen through an application process. Student who are interested may apply for consideration and will be voted upon by the incumbent executive board.
  - The treasurer will be responsible for obtaining funds to support this organization for the purpose of printing and other expenses.

- Online Executive Editor
  - The online executive editor shall be chosen through an application process. Student who are interested may apply for consideration and will be voted upon by the incumbent executive board.
  - The online executive editor shall maintain and manage this organization's website.

#### Section 2 - Selection Process

- Members will be selected through an application process meant to evaluate applicants' writing ability and experience. The executive board will review applications on a rolling basis. With a majority vote, an applicant will become an editor of the law review.

#### *Article 4 - Method of Removing Executive Committee Members*

Upon a motion for removal from an active member, an executive committee member shall be considered for removal from their position. The member under review shall have the opportunity to address the members of this organization. Following, active members will vote and the member under review will be removed from their position with the vote of 75% of active members. A vote to remove should be issued under the circumstances that the officer is found to have violated the policies or ideals of this organization.

#### *Article 5 - Advisor(s) or Advisory Board*

Advisor(s) of this organization must be members of the University faculty or Administrative & Professional staff.

The advisor shall oversee this organization and ensure its compliance with university policies and regulations.

#### *Article 6 - Meetings of the Organization*

This organization shall meet at least once per month during each academic term except for summer. Meetings may take place more frequently to ensure proper functioning of the journal.

Members are required to attend meetings designated for selecting submitted articles. Members are also required to attend elections. At most ten required meetings may be held per semester.

#### *Article 7 - Method of Amending Constitution*

The amendment of this constitution shall be governed by the following rules: proposed amendments should be in writing, should not be acted upon until they are: (i) read in the general meeting in which they are proposed and (ii) read again at the subsequent general meeting. At the second meeting a vote shall take place. Approval shall require at least two-thirds of voting members present and the vote of at least two-thirds of those members present.

#### *Article 8 - Method of Dissolution of Organization*

This organization shall be dissolved in the case that sufficient membership numbers cannot be maintained. In that case, members of this organization share the responsibility of ensuring that assets and debts are cleared.