Constitution

ARTICLE I: NAME

The name of this Association shall be: New Orleans Association of Law Librarians, a chapter of the American Association of Law Libraries.

ARTICLE II: OBJECTIVES

The Association is organized exclusively for charitable and educational purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

(Amended on 9/15/11)

ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP

Any person interested in or engaged in law library work may become a member of the Association by complying with the provisions of the Bylaws.

ARTICLE IV: MEETINGS AND VOTING

Meetings shall be held as provided in the Bylaws. Meetings shall be conducted in accordance with Robert's Rules of Order except as otherwise specified by the Constitution or Bylaws.

A regular member who is unable to attend a meeting may designate another regular member as his proxy for that meeting. Written authorization (either print or electronic) must be presented to the Secretary, and a member may hold only one proxy for a meeting.

The officers may determine that a vote of the
members should be held by mail or electronic means in lieu of a meeting. Whenever an alternative method of voting is implemented, the vote shall otherwise be conducted in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Constitution and Bylaws.

(Amended on 9/15/11)

ARTICLE V: OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

Section 1: OFFICERS: The officers of the Association shall consist of a president, a vice-president/president elect, a secretary, and a treasurer. The president must be a member of the American Association of Law Libraries.

Section 2: TERMS OF OFFICE: The vice-president/president elect and secretary shall be elected annually by the membership of the Association. The treasurer shall be elected to serve a term of two years. The vice-president/president elect shall automatically become president after one year and shall so serve during the second year following his/her election. In the event that the president resigns prior to the completion of a regular term or is otherwise unable to perform the duties of the office, the vice-president/president elect shall assume the presidency and shall so serve until the expiration of the term for which he/she was elected, and a special election to fill the office of vice-president/president elect shall be held. If a vacancy occurs in another office, a special election shall be held to fill that office for the remainder of the unexpired term.

Section 3: DUTIES OF OFFICERS: The officers shall perform the duties usually pertaining to their respective offices.

Section 4: COMPENSATION: The officers shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for any reasonable expenditures incurred in the discharge of their duties.

Section 5: COMMITTEES: There shall be such committees as the officers shall create or shall be
created by a majority vote of those present and voting at any meeting of the Association. The president shall appoint all members of the committees.

ARTICLE VI: AMENDMENTS AND BYLAWS

Section 1: AMENDMENTS: Any proposed amendment to this Constitution or the Bylaws shall be filed with the secretary at least 30 days prior to a meeting of the Association. The secretary shall send notice of the proposed amendment to the membership at least 10 days before such meeting.

Section 2: VOTE: If two-thirds of the members present and voting at a meeting are in favor of an amendment to the Constitution, it shall stand adopted. If a majority of the members present and voting at a meeting are in favor of an amendment to the Bylaws, it shall stand adopted.

AMENDMENT I: Dissolution

Upon the dissolution of the association, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a Court of Competent Jurisdiction of the parish in which the principal office of the association is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes. (Amended on 5/18/10)