**RESOLUTION FOR CLARIFYING PLANNED GIVING AND BEQUEST ALLOCATIONS BETWEEN THE NATIONAL ORGANIZATION AND CHAPTERS**

WHEREAS The National Lawyers Guild Foundation, Inc. was created in 1986 to assist The National Lawyers Guild and its chapters, committees and projects to undertake qualifying development initiatives, including planned giving and the administration of bequests; and

WHEREAS The National Lawyers Guild, through its National Finance Committee and National Executive Committee, in cooperation with The National Lawyers Guild Foundation, approved a structure governing the division of donor gifts and bequests; and

WHEREAS that structure, inter alia, provides for a distribution of unsolicited donations between a donor’s chapter and the National organization; and

WHEREAS the National organization and the Foundation have, without notification to affected chapters, not followed this agreement, policy and structure; and

WHEREAS it is in the interest of The National Lawyers Guild and The National Lawyers Guild Foundation to have a uniform policy applicable to all NLG chapters, that provides a structure for the distribution of unsolicited donations between a donor's chapter and the National organization; and to clarify and update the structure adopted in 1987;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Convention directs the Treasurer and appropriate national organization officials, in consultation with the Board of Directors of The National Lawyers Guild Foundation, to review the structure adopted by the NEC in December 1987, and to produce an updated proposed Memorandum of Understanding between The National Lawyers Guild and The National Lawyers Guild Foundation, Inc., which will  
govern the solicitation of major donors, handling of endowment funds and bequests, which will include their allocation between the National organization and its chapters; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a proposal for a clarified structure be distributed to all chapters for review by October 1, 2012; that the NEC review comments from chapters about the terms of proposed structure, including the donation and bequest distribution formulas, at the NEC’s Winter and Spring 2013 meetings; and that the Memorandum of Understanding may be put before the 2013 or 2014 Convention for approval in behalf of The National Lawyers Guild; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that until an updated Memorandum of Understanding governing solicitation of gifts and disposition of bequests is entered into by and between The National Lawyers Guild Foundation, Inc. and The National Lawyers Guild (in a manner consistent with this Resolution), the NLG requests the Board of Directors of The National Lawyers Guild Foundation, Inc. to honor the allocation formulas agreed to in 1987 between the Foundation and the NLG, set forth on pages 29-30 of the December 11- 13, 1987 NLG National Executive Committee meeting minutes.

IMPLEMENTATION: NLG National Treasurer and the National Finance Committee to undertake the negotiation of a Memorandum of Understanding with The National Lawyers Guild Foundation, Inc., with review and adoption in behalf of The National Lawyers Guild as set forth in this Resolution.

MAKERS: National Lawyers Guild - New York City Chapter

ENDORSERS: Susan Howard , Jim Lafferty , Urszula Masny-Latos , Carlos Villarreal  
A full list of endorsers will be available at the NLG convention.  
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