Proposed 2022 Amendment to Article 8.1: Chapter Censure

**Proponents:** National Executive Committee (NEC)

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WHEREAS the National Lawyers Guild may censure chapters for activities contrary to the aims of purposes of the organization, but the current system can delay action up to a year until the National Convention, we propose that the National Executive Committee have the ability to censure chapters timely. All National Executive Committee decisions are reviewable by the National Convention.

**Original text:** The National Executive Committee may recommend by a vote of two thirds of its members, the censure of any chapter for violations of the Constitution or for conduct inconsistent with the aims and purposes of the organization. Such action shall become a resolution of censure if ratified by a two thirds vote of the next National Convention.

**Proposed language:** The National Executive Committee may censure a chapter by a vote of two thirds of voting National Executive Committee members, for violations of the Constitution or for conduct inconsistent with the aims and purposes of the organization.

**Implementation:** The National Executive Committee will have the ability to censure a chapter. The NEC consented to this amendment.

**Compliance with Bylaws Section 8.7:** The NEC consulted all chapters to request their consent to the proposed changes. The majority did not respond to the request.

Consented:

- Columbia Law School
- Loyola Law School, Los Angeles
- University of Arizona College of Law
- University of New Mexico School of Law
- University of Oregon School of Law
- University of Pittsburgh School of Law

Refused:

- Colorado
- Massachusetts