## [PROPOSED] AMENDMENT TO LAIPLA BYLAWS:

## **ARTICLE V - MEETINGS**

## Section 5.1 ANNUAL MEETINGS

Currently Reads: "The annual meeting of the Association shall be held during April in each year. The installation meeting of this Association shall be held between the date of the annual meeting and the last day of June in each year."

Proposed Amendment: Amend Section 5.1 to insert underlined text so that it reads, "The annual meeting of the Association shall be held during April or May in each year. The installation meeting of this Association shall be held between the date of the annual meeting and the last day of June in each year."

Rationale: LAIPLA has held the Annual Meeting in May in the past on an ad hoc basis due to scheduling issues. Amending the bylaws so that the annual meeting could be held in either April or May would offer future LAIPLA boards greater flexibility. To illustrate, this year, LAIPLA was scheduled to hold its annual meeting in April in conjunction with a dinner meeting and then was going to hold a Litigation Round Table luncheon in May. Midway through the year, LAIPLA was offered \$2,500 in sponsorship money on the condition that it would hold a dinner meeting in May. Given the events already scheduled, the best option was to switch the April and May meetings. Although LAIPLA could still hold its annual meeting in April during the Litigation Round Table without violating the bylaws, holding the annual meeting in conjunction with a dinner meeting in May would be better because the dinner meeting will most likely draw an audience that is both larger and more representative of LAIPLA's constituency.

Section 13.1 of the Bylaws states, "These By-Laws and the Articles of Incorporation may be amended by such affirmative vote or written consent of the Active Members or the Board of' Directors or combination of them as required by law (see, for examples, California Corporation Code Sections 5150 and 7150). Any notice required as a prerequisite to such action shall include a copy of the proposed amendment and a precise statement of the purposes thereof." Cal. Corps. Code § 5150(a) in turn states, "Except as provided in subdivision (c), and Sections 5151, 5220, 5224, 5512, 5613, and 5616, bylaws may be adopted, amended or repealed by the board unless the action would materially and adversely affect the rights of members as to voting or transfer."

As the proposed amendment does not fall within any of the exceptions noted in Cal. Corps. Code § 5150(a) and does not materially and adversely affect the rights of members as to voting or transfer, the 2012-2013 Board of Directors hereby determines that the proposed amendment may be enacted on the authority of the Board alone and so approves it on March 19, 2013.

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