
INTERNATIONAL JUDICIAL BOARD ACT 2022

An Act to provide for the establishment of a body to be known as the International Judicial Board of the African Law Students Association (ALSA) to provide for its functions and for related matters.

30th May, 2022

PART I

PRELIMINARY AND GENERAL PROVISIONS

Short title and Commencement

- (1) This Act may be cited as the International Judicial Board Act of 2022.
- (2) This Act shall come into operation on such day or days as the International Council may by order or orders appoint either generally or with reference to any particular purpose or provision and different days may be so appointed for different purposes or different provisions.

Definitions

(3) In this Act—

"Association", means the African Law Students Association;

"Board", means the International Judicial Board of the African Law Students Association;

"International Council", means the International/Executive Council of the African Law Students Association;

PART II

JUDICIAL BOARD

(4) Establishment

- (a) There shall stand established on the establishment day, a body which shall be known as the International Judicial Board of the African Law Students Association (in this Act referred to as the “Board”) to perform the functions conferred on it by this Act.
- (b) The Board shall, subject to the provisions of this Act, be independent in the performance of its functions.
- (c) The Board shall have a seal and the seal shall be authenticated by the signatures of—
 - (a) the chairperson of the Board or another member of the Board authorized by it to act in that behalf, and
 - (b) the Secretary or another member of the staff of the Board authorized by it to act in that behalf.
- (d) Judicial notice shall be taken of the seal of the Board and every document purporting —
 - (a) to be an instrument made by the Board, and
 - (b) to be sealed with the seal of the Board authenticated in accordance with subsection (c)Shall be received in evidence and be deemed to be such an instrument without further proof, unless the contrary is shown.

(5) Functions of the Board

- (a) The International Judicial Board of the African Law Students Association shall subject to the provisions of the African Law Students Association Constitution and such provisions of this Act perform the following functions—
 - (i) The Board uphold and protect the provisions of the African Law Students Association (ALSA) Constitution
 - (ii) The Board shall be the Judicial Arm of the African Law Students Association, and the Offices shall be members of the International Council, duly represented by the Chairman of the Board
 - (iii) The Board shall conduct sessions of the Association within the International Council and shall serve as the appellate Jurisdiction of the Subsidiary and National Judicial Bodies within the Association
 - (iv) The Board shall establish and maintain readily accessible templates for bills and resolutions

(v) The Board shall supervise and provide guidance to the National and Regional Judicial Councils

(vi) The Board shall publish opinions on Judicial Reviews from time to time

(vii) The Board shall have representation in the Annual General Meeting of not less than 3 members or such number which the International Council may deem fit

(viii) The Board shall present its Judicial report annually in the Annual General Meeting, and

Subject to the provisions of the African Law Students Association Constitution, any other functions which the International Council may deem fit.

(6) Membership of the Board

(a) The Board of Judicial shall comprise of the following members—

(i) The Chairperson;

(ii) The Vice Chairperson;

(iii) The Secretary whose office shall hold two members:-

1. The First Secretary and;
2. The Assistant Secretary

(iv) The Clerk whose office shall hold two members:-

1. The First Clerk and;
2. The Assistant Clerk

(v) The Public Relations Office which shall hold two members:-

1. The First Public Relations Officer and;
2. The Assistant Public Relations Officer

(vi) The Director of Complaints whose office shall hold two members:-

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2. The Assistant Director of Complaints

PART III

DUTIES OF ALSA JUDICIAL BOARD

(7) THE DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE JUDICIAL BOARD MEMBERS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

(a) The Chairman of the Judicial Board duties and responsibilities shall include;

- (i) Be the chief officer of the Judicial Board.
- (ii) Preside over meetings of the judicial board.
- (iii) Serve as the liaison between the association and the board and the members of the board.
- (iv) Call special meetings of the board.
- (v) Meet regularly with the board members.
- (vi) Take care that this constitution and the laws of the association are faithfully executed.
- (vii) Perform any administrative power or duty not provided for in the duties of the Judicial Board.

(b) The Vice Chairman of the Judicial Board duties include:

- (i) Exercise the Chairman's duties in absence of the Chairman.
- (ii) Assume the Chairman's office upon vacancy.
- (iii) Make sure events and program report forms are completed.
- (iv) Meet regularly with the Chairman.

(c.) The Secretary of the Judicial Board duties shall include;

- (i) Attending the meeting of the Judicial Board and committees, rendering all necessary secretarial services in respect of the Judicial Board's meeting.
- (ii) Take minutes at Judicial Board meetings.
- (iii) Advising on compliance, by the meetings, with the applicable rules and regulations.
- (iv) Maintain complete and accurate records of all organization meetings.
- (v) Report to the Chairman.
- (vi) Carrying out such administrative and other secretarial duties as directed by the

Judicial Board or the Chairman.

(c) the Clerk of the Judicial Board duties include;

- (i) To keep and to maintain the records of the Judicial Board and administer oaths to witnesses.
- (ii) Attend ALSA Judicial Board Meetings
- (iii) Uphold the ALSA Constitution;
- (iv) Schedule hearings before the Judicial Board.
- (v) Create, maintain, copy and file all documents related to functions of the Judicial Board.
- (vi) Compose and publish the minutes from all hearings of all the Judicial Board sessions;
- (vii) Attend Judicial Board Sessions.
- (viii) Report directly to the Chairman

(d) The Public Relations Officer Of The Judicial Board duties and responsibilities include;

- (i) Plan and execute a marketing strategy for the Judicial Board at all level;
- (ii) Creating favorable awareness of the Judicial Board among the public by using various media outlets and written content;
- (iii) Develop a strategy to engage potential of the Judicial Board;
- (iv) Establish a positive image and goodwill of the Judicial Board by organizing events and upcoming activities;
- (v) Public relations officer must organize and execute special events such as cultural events, annual general meeting and fairs;
- (vi) Often arrange events to raise the profile of the Judicial Board;
- (vii) Coordinating media conferences for the ALSA Judicial Board;
- (viii) Issuing news of activities to external audience such as ALSA members;

- (ix) Report directly to the Chairman;
- (x) Attend Judicial Board Sessions.

(e) The Directors of Complaint (Doc) of the Alsa Judicial Board duties include;

- (i) Receive and review all complaints and issues coming before the Judicial Board for Adjudication;
- (ii) Attend ALSA Judicial Board Meetings;
- (iii) DOC shall uphold the ALSA Constitution;
- (iv) Report directly to the Chairman;
- (v) Prepare the facilities for meetings of the Judicial Board Sessions;
- (vi) Attend ALSA Board Judicial Sessions.

PART IV

APPOINTMENT, TENURES, MEETING AND REMOVAL OF JUDICIAL BOARD

(a) APPOINTMENT

A member of the Judicial Board shall first be appointed by the member of international council of ALSA and subsequent member shall be nominated by the Judicial Board subject to the approval by the Two-Third (2/3) majority members of the Judicial Board.

(b) Terms of office

A member of the Judicial Board shall serve for a period commencing from the date of the appointment by the International Council of the ALSA and until such time their successors was duly nominated by the Judicial Board or a replacement has been found by the Judicial Board.

(c) Meeting of the Judicial Board

The member of the Judicial Board shall regular meetings at least once every month. The chairman or vice chairman of the Judicial Board may convene an emergence meeting

whenever necessary.

(d) Removal from Office

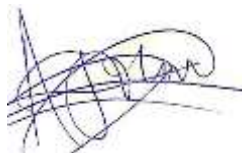
Any member of the Judicial Board may be removed from office on any of the following grounds:

- (i) Grave misconduct;
- (ii) Gross neglect of duty;
- (iii) Willful violation of the ALSA constitution and Judicial Board Act;
- (iv) Whenever justified by good cause.

In this section- “*gross misconduct*” means a grave violation or breach of the provisions of this Act or a misconduct of such nature as amounts in the opinion of the Member of the Judicial Board to gross misconduct.

MISCELLANEOUS PART V

- (i) This interpretation of this Act shall rest with the explanatory notes of the Judicial Board.
- (ii) This Act shall not be amended except by a motion supported by Two-third majority of members of the Judicial Board.
- (iii) The Act of Judicial Board shall formally ratified on the 6th of August, 2022 and shall take effect from the date henceforth.
- (iv) All other matter not governed by the foregoing shall be decided upon by the member of the Judicial Board with consideration to justice, farness and the ideal of ALSA constitution.



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