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**CONSTITUTION OF THE DISTRICT BAR ASSOCIATION
GURDASPUR.**

1. The association shall be called the District Bar Association Gurdaspur hereinafter called Association.

MEMBERSHIP AND SUBSCRIPTION

2. Every advocate and pleader having his seat of practice at Gurdaspur borne on the rule of district session judge Gurdaspur or any bar counsel of India provided his roll is transferred to the roll of bar counsel of Punjab & Haryana shall be eligible for the membership of the association.
3. (a) Every candidate for membership shall apply to the secretary of the association and such writing to the application shall be proposed and seconded by the members of the association accompanied by the Photostat copy of the enrollment from the bar council with the deposit of Rs.500/- as admission fee together with one month subscription of Rs.30/- per month. Similarly, all those advocates or pleaders which are not being in practice but wish to keep their contact with the activities of the association may become the association member on similar payment.
(b) Any advocate or pleader who is eligible to become the member of the association can become the life member on payment of Rs.5000/-.
4. Every member of the Bar association shall pay the monthly subscription of Rs.30/- before the 15th of each month as such the said amount may

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be fixed in advance from time to time. A sum of Rs.10/- shall be charged per month if the monthly subscription is not paid by the 15th of each month. However, the members may pay Rs.300/- for the whole year before the 31st of January.

5. Bar Association may accept donations.

6. (a) The monthly subscription shall be payable in advance. Any member from whom 3 or more than 3 months subscription is due shall for the purpose of these rules be deemed to be in arrears and shall be duly notified by the Secretary.

(b) A member who is in arrears of subscription for more than two months including the current month shall lose his right to use the library till such time as he pays his arrears.

(c) Any member who allows his subscription for three months to accumulate shall automatically cease to be a member of the association provided a weeks notice is given to him to pay the arrears, and his name shall be reported to the High Court and the State Bar Council. However, the Executive Committee on a reference from Secretary may give 15 days to such members to pay off the arrears and in case of payment his membership shall be deemed to continue.

7. Any member whose name has been so removed shall not be eligible for the membership of the association unless he submits fresh application with the admission fee Rs.200/- plus all his arrears. All members on the roll today i.e. 30/07/2009 shall be deemed to be the members of the District Bar Association Gurdaspur.

ELECTION
ANNUAL GENERAL AND OTHER MEETINGS.

8. The election of the President, Vice President, Secretary, Joint Secretary and Executive Committee who remain in office till the next General elections shall be held on 31st of March every year and in case of 31st March is a holiday then the election shall be held on the next working day without any further notice.
9. The General house shall appoint a returning officer to conduct the election at least one month prior to the nomination papers. He shall not contest the election who is appointed as Returning Officer.
10. The nomination papers for the office bearers shall be at time, place and date to be notified for this purpose by him, along with fee shown in sub para (a) below.
 - (a) Nomination fee for the office of President shall be Rs.500/- for the office of Vice President and Secretary Rs.300/- each and for the office of Joint Secretary Rs.100/-. The nomination fee is not refundable in any case.
 - (b) Withdrawals from the elections if any shall be made within 3 days of the last date of nomination of papers.
 - (c) Each member shall have one vote and the election shall be by Secret Ballot. All members of District Bar Association Gurdaspur on rolls shall have right to vote but the members who are also members of other Bar Associations as Pathankot, Batala, Jalandhar etc. and having their main practice at the said Bar Headquarters shall have no right to

vote at District Bar Association Gurdaspur. The members of the District Bar Association Gurdaspur who are also members of other Bar Association but are not practicing any station the President shall obtain options from said members to exercise their right to vote.

(d) The Secretary shall publish a list of voters by 1st January of the year. Defaulters under Rule 6(a) and (b) shall not be eligible to cast their votes unless their names are included in the list published under this sub rule.

(e) The returning Officer shall supervise the whole process of election.

(f) No candidate or his supporter shall canvass in any manner on the date of polling.

11. An ordinary general routing of the association may be called at any time by the Secretary for the disposal of any business.

12. An extra-ordinary meeting of the association shall be called by the Secretary forth with on the requisition of the President. Such a meeting shall also be called by the Secretary if he receives a requisition to that effect duly signed by at least 1/3rd members of the association within 24 hours of the receipt of such requisition, the signatories will write their names in BLOCK Letters. In case the Secretary fails to call such meeting duly requisitioned as above the requisitioner shall have the right to call the meeting after a clear 7 days notice.

13. Any emergent meeting of the association may be called by the Secretary at any time on the orders of the President to that effect in writing.

(a) The President or in his absence, Vice President or in the absence of both the members present shall choose any member to act as Chairman of the Meeting.

(b) Every member shall have one vote on every motion made at any general meeting and all motion shall in case of a division be determined by majority of votes, provided that no resolution relating to variations or addition to or cancellation of these rules or relating to the conduct or character of a member shall be deemed to be carried unless not less than $\frac{3}{4}$ of the member present shall vote for the same. In case of a division where voters for and against are equal, the President/Chairman shall have a Casting Vote.

(c) $\frac{1}{2}$ of the members on the rolls of the association shall constitute a quorum in a general meeting and for an adjourned meeting no quorum shall be necessary.

14. Where any general meeting convened for any purpose has to be adjourned for lack of quorum and adjourned general meeting may be called by the Secretary after two clear days or with the permission of the President or in his absence with the permission of Vice President may be convened even earlier.

15. That Secretary shall record the minutes of the proceedings in the meeting and place the same on the notice board as early as possible. The minutes shall be signed by the Secretary and approved by the Chairman of the meeting.

16. The President of every general meeting shall have full authority to regulate the proceeding and maintain order there in such a manner as

he may deem fit to the extent of expelling any rudy member from the meeting.

NO CONFIDENCE AND RESIGNATION

17. Motion of Non-confidence against an office bearer shall be considered at an extraordinary general meeting specially convened for the purpose on the receipt of a requisition signed by the $\frac{1}{2}$ majority of the members on the rolls of the association and if a motion is carried by $\frac{2}{3}$ majority of the members the office bearer concerned shall vacate the office and for the remaining term a new office bearer may be duly elected in his place as per rules.

(a) The President may resign by writing under his hand addressed to the vice president and any other office bearer may resign his office by writing under his hand addressed to the President.

ACTS OF INDISCIPLINE

18. When any member flouts the authority of the President/Chairman does not otherwise keep order in the meeting. The Chairman may call his name and General house may take such action as it deems proper to the extent of removing a member from the rolls of the association notwithstanding anything contained in any other Rule.

19. Wilful breach of rules, tempering with, destroying the property of the Association, to abuse to use force, to hurt and to misuse the premises of the association shall be

considered the acts of indiscipline. The Secretary may refer any such matter to the Executive Committee and the Executive Committee refer such matters to the General house for taking action against the said member.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Affairs of the association shall subject to these rules and General Control of the members in General meeting be managed by an Executive Committee (hereinafter referred to as Committee) consisting of President, Vice President, Secretary, Joint Secretary and all the Executive Members.

President
District Bar Association
Gurdaspur