

Constitution of the National Association of Consumer Advocates (NACA) [Law School Name] Chapter

Article I - Name

This organization shall be known as “The National Association of Consumer Advocates – [Law School Name] Chapter.”

Article II – Purpose

The National Association of Consumer Advocates is dedicated to fostering research, discussion, and advocacy in the field of Consumer Law. We are committed to strengthening ties between consumer attorneys, consumer law groups and the [Law School Name] community. We work to:

1. educate [Law School Name] students about consumer law and opportunities within it;
2. create networks between consumer law attorneys, advocacy organizations, and the [Law School Name] student body in order to promote the field of consumer protection law and provide training opportunities for students;
3. foster community among student advocates whose interests intersect with consumer protection; and
4. encourage and maintain consumer protection curriculum and clinic opportunities at [Law School Name].

Article III – Membership

The NACA – [Law School Name] Chapter officers shall be members of the NACA – [Law School Name] Chapter Executive Board, which will meet periodically to determine the general direction of the organization and to decide issues of long-term importance. Only current [Law School Name] students, faculty, and staff may serve as officers.

We will not restrict membership based upon race, color, national origin, religion, sex, gender identity, pregnancy (including pregnancy, childbirth, and medical conditions related to pregnancy or childbirth), physical or mental disability, medical condition (cancer related or genetic characteristics), ancestry, marital status, age, sexual orientation, citizenship, or service in the uniformed services (including membership, application for membership, performance of service, application for service, or obligation for service in the uniformed services.)

Article IV – Officers and Elections

The following officers shall constitute the Executive Board:

President: responsible for setting the organization’s agenda for each year, communicating this agenda to the Board and general membership, acting as organization spokesperson, setting and managing goals for events, calling regular meetings, and ensuring the coordination of Executive Board

Vice President: responsible for acting as a liaison with NACA’s national office and local attorney chapters; calling and running chapter meetings in the President’s absence, working with the President to oversee projects and events, and working with the Treasurer to seek funding from outside sources.

Treasurer: responsible for applying for funds, maintaining budgets, facilitating reimbursement requests, and working with the Vice President to seek outside funding sources.

Secretary: responsible for relaying outgoing messages to membership, managing membership lists and enabling new members to get involved, and connecting with likeminded organizations at [*Law School Name*] and other law schools.

The NACA – [*Law School Name*] Chapter officers shall be appointed by a two-third vote of the outgoing Executive Board in the spring of each year. Each officer will serve for a term of one year. The exact composition of the leadership team is flexible based on student interest.

Officers may be removed for good cause by the unanimous vote of the remaining members of the Executive Board.

Article V – Meetings

NACA [*Law School Name*] Chapter will hold one general meeting per semester, and two leadership team meetings per semester. Meetings will be called by the President.

Article VI – Amendments

Any active member can propose a constitutional amendment by email the President. The Executive Board will contact general members by email if an amendment is to be voted on. An amendment will that receives a 2/3 majority vote from general members will pass, except that no amendment shall be adopted without the affirmative vote of both the President and the Faculty Advisor