



***BYLAWS OF THE
LOUISVILLE SECTION
of the
AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY**

**BYLAW I
Name**

This organization shall be known as the Louisville Section of the AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY (hereinafter called the "Section" and the "SOCIETY", respectively).

**BYLAW II
Authorization and Purposes**

Section 1. Since the Section has been chartered by the SOCIETY as provided in the Constitution and Bylaws of the SOCIETY, it shall have all rights and privileges granted therein and shall be subject to such regulations as the Council of the SOCIETY may enact.

Section 2. The objects and purposes of the Section shall be the same as those of the SOCIETY.

Section 3. No provision of the Section bylaws or of regulations adopted by the Section Executive Committee shall be inconsistent with the Constitution and Bylaws of the SOCIETY.

**BYLAW III
Territory and Headquarters**

Section 1. The territory of the Section shall be that assigned by the SOCIETY.

Section 2. The headquarters of the Section shall be Louisville, Kentucky.

*Effective May 27, 1999. Approved, as amended, by the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws, acting for the Council of the AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY.

BYLAW IV Members and Affiliates

Section 1. The rolls of the Section shall include those MEMBERS, ASSOCIATE MEMBERS, and National Affiliates of the SOCIETY residing within the territory assigned to the Section, provided that exceptions may be made in conformity with the Constitution and Bylaws of the SOCIETY.

Section 2. The Section may have Local Section Affiliates as authorized in the Constitution and Bylaws of the SOCIETY.

Section 3. MEMBERS, ASSOCIATE MEMBERS, National Affiliates, and Local Section Affiliates shall have such rights and privileges as are accorded them by the Constitution and Bylaws of the SOCIETY. ASSOCIATE MEMBERS may be elected or appointed only to the offices of Secretary or Treasurer and may be appointed to Section committees.

BYLAW V Organization

Section 1. The officers of the Section shall be a Chair, Chair-Elect, Secretary, and Treasurer.

Section 2. The Section shall have Councilor(s) and Alternate Councilor(s) as provided in the Constitution and Bylaws of the SOCIETY.

Section 3. The Executive Committee of the Section shall consist of the elected officers of the Section, the Immediate Past Chair, the Councilor(s) and Alternate Councilor(s), and three Members-at-Large. Chairs of all committees of the Section shall be invited to attend meetings of the Executive Committee but shall be without vote unless they are elected as identified in the first sentence above.

BYLAW VI Terms of Office and Manner of Election

Section 1. The Chair, Chair-Elect, Secretary, and Treasurer of the Section shall serve for one year, or until their successors qualify, beginning on January 1 following the Section annual meeting in November. The Chair-Elect, upon completion of the term of office as such, shall succeed to the office of Chair for a period of one year.

Section 2. Each Member-at-Large of the Executive Committee of the Section shall serve for three years, or until a successor qualifies, beginning on January 1 following the Section annual meeting in November. Terms of office shall be arranged to provide rotation.

Section 3. Councilor(s) and Alternate Councilor(s) shall be elected by a mail ballot to serve for a term of three years as specified in the SOCIETY Bylaws. When more than one Councilor or Alternate Councilor position must be filled, separate slates of candidates for each office shall be selected from among the MEMBERS.

Section 4. In the event of a vacancy in the office of Chair, the Chair-Elect shall assume the duties of Chair for the unexpired term and thereafter shall also serve the intended term as Chair of the Section.

Section 5. Vacancies in all other positions shall be filled through appointment by the Executive Committee for the period up to the next annual election. At that time, the Section shall choose a MEMBER to complete the unexpired term, if any. In the event the office of Chair-Elect has been vacated other than by advancement to Chair, the Section shall elect both a Chair and a Chair-Elect at its next annual election. The incumbent of any elective office may be removed from office for cause by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of those voting at a business meeting of the Section.

Section 6. Each year the Executive Committee shall provide to all members of the Section a document which explains the procedures to be followed and shall solicit the Section membership for suggested nominees for the offices to be filled at the next election. The Committee shall nominate two or more persons for each such position. Additional candidates may be qualified by petition signed by ten (10) members of the Section if the petition is received by the Secretary up to ten (10) days prior to the date scheduled for the mailing of ballots. No candidate's name is to appear on the final ballot unless that person has stated a willingness to serve if elected. With the exception of the Chair and Chair-Elect, the incumbent of any position is eligible for reelection.

Section 7. Elections shall be by ballots mailed to all members of the Section not less than 30 days before the annual meeting in November. In all balloting conducted by mail, the Section will follow a procedure approved by the Executive Committee and similar to that described in the SOCIETY's Bylaws. To be counted, ballots must be received by the Secretary prior to the beginning of the annual meeting. Ballots will be delivered unopened to tellers who are selected from MEMBERS who are not candidates. The tellers shall report the results to the annual meeting before that meeting adjourns. For each office, candidates receiving a plurality of votes cast will be declared elected. In the event of a tie vote for any office, the Executive Committee will cast a ballot resolving the tie; however, a member of the Executive Committee who is a nominee for the contested office shall be excluded from the tie-breaking vote.

BYLAW VII

Duties of Officers and Executive Committee

Section 1. The duties of the officers shall be those customarily performed by such officers, together with those responsibilities prescribed by the Constitution and Bylaws of the SOCIETY and by these bylaws, and such other duties as may be assigned from time to time by the Executive Committee.

Section 2. The Chair of the Section shall serve as Chair of the Executive Committee. In the absence of the Chair, the Chair-Elect shall preside at regular meetings of the Section and of the Executive Committee.

Section 3. The Chair-Elect shall be responsible for hosting and introducing speakers and programs at the meetings of the Section.

Section 4. The Executive Committee shall be the governing body of the Section and shall have full power to manage the business and affairs of the Section in accordance with the Constitution and Bylaws of the SOCIETY and these bylaws.

Section 5. The Executive Committee shall review and approve the minutes of all regular meetings of the Section and shall review and approve its own minutes.

Section 6. The Secretary shall prepare a summary, to be published in the Section newsletter, of all actions taken by the Executive Committee.

BYLAW VIII Committees

Section 1. The Executive Committee may establish such other committees as are necessary for the proper functioning of the Section.

Section 2. The chair of any committee shall be limited to three successive one-year terms as chair of the same committee.

BYLAW IX Meetings

Section 1. The Executive Committee shall designate the number of meetings to be held annually.

Section 2. Special meetings of the Section may be called by the Executive Committee or at the written request of fifteen (15) members of the Section. The notices of such special called meetings shall state the exact nature of the business to be conducted. No other business shall be transacted at such meetings.

Section 3. Due notice of all meetings shall be sent to each member and affiliate of the Section at least one week before the meeting. A quorum for transaction of business at a Section meeting shall consist of the larger of twelve (12) members or three percent (3%) of the Section membership.

Section 4. The Executive Committee shall meet upon due notice to its members at the call of the Chair or at the request of a majority of the members of the Committee. A majority of the Executive Committee constitutes a quorum. In the absence of a quorum, meetings of the Executive Committee shall adjourn.

BYLAW X Finances

Section 1. Annual dues for Local Section members and National Affiliates shall be set by the Executive Committee in accordance with the Constitution and Bylaws of the SOCIETY. The

payment of such dues shall be voluntary. No person shall be excluded from either the scientific or business activities of the Section for nonpayment of Local Section dues.

Section 2. Annual dues of Local Section Affiliates shall be set by the Executive Committee in accordance with the Constitution and Bylaws of the SOCIETY. Failure to pay such dues for the current year automatically terminates such affiliation. At the discretion of the Executive Committee, Student Affiliates of the SOCIETY may be enrolled as Local Section Affiliates without payment of Section dues.

Section 3. An annual budget shall be prepared by the Executive Committee with the assistance of the Treasurer. Thereafter the budget and subsequent deviations therefrom are contingent upon approval by the Executive Committee. The Treasurer shall report contemplated deviations from the budget to the Executive Committee at its meetings.

BYLAW XI Amendments

Section 1. A proposed amendment to these bylaws must be submitted in writing to the Executive Committee. If it is approved by a majority of the Executive Committee, the Secretary promptly shall furnish copies of the proposed amendment to all members of the Section. Within 30 days of this notice, the Secretary shall send ballots to all members of the Section; completed ballots received by the Secretary no later than 30 days thereafter will be tallied. Adoption of an amendment requires a favorable two-thirds vote of the members voting.

Section 2. Any proposed amendment not approved by the Executive Committee within 60 days from the time it is submitted thereto may be brought to a vote of the membership in the aforementioned manner by a petition signed by not less than ten percent (10%) of the Section membership.

Section 3. After adoption by the Section, amendments to these bylaws shall become effective only upon approval by the Committee on Constitution and Bylaws, acting for the Council of the SOCIETY, or at a later date if so specified.

BYLAW XII Dissolution of the Section

Upon the dissolution of the Section, any assets of the Section remaining thereafter shall be conveyed to such organization then existent, within or without the territory of the Section, as is dedicated to the perpetuation of objects similar to those of the AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY, or to the AMERICAN CHEMICAL SOCIETY, so long as whichever organization is selected by the governing body of the Section at the time of dissolution shall be exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 as amended or under such successor provision of the Code as may be in effect at the time of the Section's dissolution.