

Academy of Clinical Laboratory Physicians and Scientists CONSTITUTION

Adopted 12 November 1966; revised 5 June 1987

ARTICLE I – NAME

The name of this association (hereinafter referred to as the Society) shall be 'Academy of Clinical Laboratory Physicians and Scientists' (ACLPS).

ARTICLE II – AREA OF CONCERN

Laboratory medicine, also termed 'clinical pathology,' is a field of medical science that encompasses all laboratory disciplines applied to health care, education, and research.

The members of this Society firmly believe that the role of laboratory medicine will continue to grow in importance; that it is a field in which professional competence, dedication, and scholarship are required; and that the promise and importance of this field in the realm of medical education are so great that the best abilities and talents must be attracted to it in order that its potentialities may be fully realized.

ARTICLE III – OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the Society shall be:

1. To encourage and advance the highest standards of education in laboratory medicine in medical school and related curricula.
2. To encourage and promote the highest standards of resident training and post-graduate education of physicians and scientists in clinical pathology at universities and medical schools.
3. To encourage and promote the highest standards of service, education, and research in academic laboratory medicine.

ARTICLE IV – MEMBERSHIPS

Members of the Society shall be physicians, scientists, and educators, primarily engaged in teaching, research, and service in academic laboratory medicine, who are elected to membership by procedures described in the Bylaws.

ARTICLE V – OFFICERS

Section 1: The officers of the Society shall be:

1. President
2. Secretary-Treasurer

Section 2: Terms of office, method of election of officers, and duties of the officers are described in the Bylaws.

ARTICLE VI – EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

There shall be an Executive Council as described and constituted by the Bylaws.

ARTICLE VII – COMMITTEES

Section 1: The committees of the Society are described and constituted by the Bylaws.

Section 2: Composition, election, and duties of committees are described in the Bylaws.

ARTICLE VIII – ADOPTION OF CONSTITUTION

This constitution was adopted in the fall of 1966 by the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the founding members present and voting, and amended in the spring of 1974 and in the spring of 1987 at the Annual Meetings of the Society.

ARTICLE IX – AMENDMENTS

Amendments may be submitted and approved in accordance with Section 15 in the Bylaws.

ARTICLE X – DISSOLUTION OF SOCIETY

Upon the dissolution or liquidation of this Society, it shall be mandatory that all remaining cash, accounts receivable, furniture, fixtures, and assets of whatever kind or character shall be turned over to an organization which has been granted exemption from income taxes under section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (or corresponding sections of any future United States Internal Revenue Law) as determined by a majority vote of the current officers and members of the Executive Council.