

Alameda County Public Defenders Chapter Bylaws
Professional & Technical Engineers, Local 21 (IFPTE/AFL-CIO)

Article I. NAME

The name of this organization shall be the "Alameda County Public Defenders," (hereinafter referred to as the "Chapter") a chapter of the International Federation of Professional and Technical Engineers (IFPTE), Local 21, AFL-CIO (hereinafter referred to as the "Local Union").

The provisions of these Bylaws shall be in complete agreement with the Bylaws of the Local Union.

Article II. JURISDICTION

The Chapter shall be devoted and dedicated to advancing the well-being of its members and its clients. Membership shall be open to any attorney in the following classifications: Associate Deputy Public Defender, Deputy Public Defender, Assistant Public Defender, Associate Dependency Attorney, and Dependency Attorney. The Public Defender and the Chief Assistant Public Defender shall not be eligible for membership. Those otherwise eligible for membership shall not be excluded on the basis of religion, race, creed, color, national origin, age, gender or gender identity, sexual orientation, marital status, physical or mental disability, or political affiliation or opinion.

Article III. DUES

As prescribed by the Local Union Bylaws, dues shall be .963% of salary. In the event Local Union Bylaws are amended, this section shall be amended to conform with Local Union Bylaws.

Article IV. OFFICERS AND STEERING COMMITTEE

The membership shall elect a Steering Committee that shall be representative of the attorney classifications in the Public Defender's Office. This Steering Committee shall be empowered by the membership to represent the Chapter as needed. The Steering Committee shall consist of 15 members. The Steering Committee shall hold periodic meetings to discuss the business of the Chapter.

The Steering Committee shall elect Officers that shall comprise the Executive Board. The Officers shall be members of the Steering Committee.

President's Duties: Serve as the chief spokesperson for the Chapter; preside over Chapter meetings; and serve as ex-officio member on all standing and appointed committees. In accordance with the Local Union Bylaws, the President shall serve as a Chapter delegate to the Local Union Delegate Assembly.

Vice-President's Duties: Assist the President in the discharge of his/her duties, and in the absence of the President, perform the duties of the President; and in case of presidential vacancy, serve the remainder of the President's term; and serve as a Chapter delegate to the Local Union Delegate Assembly.

Secretary's Duties: Keep accurate records of meetings and activities; assist the officers with the discharge of their duties; arrange for meeting times and locations; serve the remainder of the

Vice-President's term in the event of a vacancy; submit records of the Chapter to the Local Union office for record-keeping purposes; and serve as an alternate delegate to the Local Union Delegate Assembly.

Article V. OFFICER AND STEERING COMMITTEE ELECTION & TERM

The term of office for all elected positions shall be one year. Also, one must be a Member to nominate or to serve as an officer or member of any committee. Any and all nominations shall be placed on the ballot. Nominations shall take place at the monthly meeting in September. Contested elections shall be decided by secret ballot in November. In the event of uncontested elections, officers and steering committee members shall be declared elected at the nominations meeting. The Election Committee shall establish rules of conduct for elections to guarantee full participation.

Article VI. COMMITTEES

The Steering Committee, in consultation with the membership, shall have the authority to appoint subcommittees to represent the Chapter in its dealings with the employer and to conduct the affairs of the chapter. At a minimum, the Steering Committee shall appoint an Election Committee that shall be formed no later than July 1st. Additional subcommittees may include bargaining, negotiations, benefits, grievances, community relations, etc.

Article VII. MEETINGS

In accordance with Local Union Bylaws the Chapter shall conduct monthly meetings that shall be open to all members. At the discretion of the officers monthly meetings shall also be open to prospective members.

Article VIII. RATIFICATION AND AMENDMENTS

These Bylaws shall first be ratified by a majority of those members voting. Any amendment thereafter shall require a two-thirds majority of those voting. Members shall be given a minimum of ten working days notice of proposed amendments and an opportunity to participate in the vote.

The undersigned certify that this document incorporates the full text of the Bylaws of the Alameda County Public Defenders, a chapter of the Professional & Technical Engineers, Local 21 (IFPTE/AFL-CIO), adopted by the membership on August 30, 2006

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