

**FIFTH AMENDED AND RESTATED
CHARTER OF THE
WESTERN CHAPTER
OF THE
ENERGY BAR ASSOCIATION**

Pursuant to Article XII of the By-Laws of the Energy Bar Association (“Association”), there is hereby chartered the Western Chapter of the Energy Bar Association (“EBA-West” or “Chapter”). This Charter provides for the governance of the Chapter and its relationship to the Association.

ARTICLE I

Chapter-Association Relations

The Association has hereby chartered the Chapter in recognition of the significant number of Association members who live and work in the western states of California, Arizona, Nevada, Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Hawaii, and Alaska, , and the Mexican states of Baja California and Sonora, in order to better provide for those members to fully participate in the activities and enjoy the benefits of membership in the Association, to further the purposes of the Association pursuant to its Articles of Incorporation and to promote the mission of the Association, which is to enhance the professional competence of those who practice and administer energy law.

In order to achieve the purposes of the Association and the purposes for which the Chapter is hereby chartered, it is necessary to provide for close coordination of the operations of the Chapter with the operations of the Association. Therefore, the President of the Chapter shall receive advance notice of all meetings of the Board of Directors of the Association, and in such

capacity shall be entitled to attend all such meetings and to participate in the deliberations at such meetings, but shall not in such capacity be a member of the Board of Directors of the Association. The President of the Chapter or his/her designee shall be named ex-officio members of the Association's program committee and shall be entitled to participate fully in the affairs of such committee of the Association. The President of the Association may appoint an officer or director of the Association to serve as a non-voting, ex-officio member of the Chapter.

ARTICLE II

Officers and Directors

Officers and Directors of the Chapter will be noted on the Energy Bar Association national website.

Subject to the other provisions of this Article regarding succession to the office of the President, the officers and directors of the Chapter shall be elected by the membership of the Chapter for concurrent terms of two years commencing with the first biennial election, October 13, 2001. The officers shall be President, Vice-President, and Secretary. In addition, there shall be nine directors who are not officers.

The person serving as President shall not be eligible for immediate re-election to that office or to the office of Vice President, and the person serving as Vice President shall succeed to the office of the President upon the expiration or vacancy of the term of the person serving as President, as further provided below; provided nothing herein contained shall make the initial officers and directors appointed hereunder ineligible for election to serve as officers and directors of the Chapter at the first biennial election, and further provided, except as provided above with respect to the President and Vice President, any officer and director shall be eligible for re-election to serve in the same or a different position from the position at the expiration of his or her term. In the event the Vice President becomes President due to that office becoming vacant during an existing term, that person shall serve for the balance of the existing term and for the succeeding term in accordance with the provisions of Section 4 below.

The Vice President shall succeed to the office of the President at the expiration of the term of office of the President without further action by the Nominating Committee or the membership.

ARTICLE III

Duties of Officers

The President shall be the chief executive officer of the Chapter and the chairman of the Board of Directors. It shall be his or her duty to preside at all meetings of the Chapter, to appoint all committees of the Chapter and their officers, unless otherwise provided for, and he or she shall be a member, ex-officio, of all committees.

In the absence or disability of the President, the Vice President shall discharge his or her duties.

The Secretary shall be responsible for the preparation and maintenance of the records of the meetings of the Chapter and the Board of Directors; shall be responsible for the giving of all notices upon behalf of the Chapter provided for in this Charter or as otherwise directed by the Board of Directors; and shall be the custodian of all the official books, records and documents of the Chapter. He or she shall make the books, records, and documents committed to his or her custody available to the Board of Director of the Chapter and the Board of Directors of the Association as those Boards of Directors may require. The Secretary shall render reports to the Board of Directors of the Chapter of the Association as it may require.

ARTICLE IV

Board of Directors

There shall be a Board of Directors of the Chapter, which shall consist of the three officers described in Article III above, eight directors who are not officers, and one director who is the immediate past President of the Chapter.

With the approval of the Board of Directors, the President shall appoint a person to fill a vacancy occurring among the officers and directors for the remainder of the un-expired term of the position.

A majority of the Board of Directors shall constitute a quorum, and business shall be conducted by majority vote of those officers and directors present.

The Board of Directors shall exercise control over the financial affairs of the Chapter, subject to the authority of the Board of Directors of the Association, and shall generally oversee the activities and work of the Chapter other than the matters confided to the Committee on Nominations.

The Board of Directors may conduct their meetings in person and/or by the use of audio-conferencing or video-conferencing media.

At least one Director shall be located in one of each of the following three geographic regions: (a) the Pacific Northwest, made up of the States of

Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Alaska, and Hawaii, ; (b) the Southwest, made up of the States of Nevada and Arizona; and (c) California. Further, the Chapter officers may be located anywhere within the Chapter area.

In addition, the Board shall accept nominees each year for a Law Student member of the Board from among Law Student members of EBA. The candidates shall have demonstrated an interest in energy law and shall be at least one year from graduation in a nationally accredited law school located within the geographic area of the Chapter. The Law Student Director shall be appointed by a vote of the Chapter Board of Directors upon the submittal of a recommendation by the Chapter President. The Law Student Director shall be appointed for a term of one year and shall not be a voting member of the Board. If no qualified candidates are nominated, this non-voting seat need not be filled.

ARTICLE V

Annual Meeting; Other Chapter Meetings

The Chapter shall meet once a year at such time and places as the Board of Directors may designate. In addition, the Chapter may meet at such other times and places, as may be determined by the Board of Directors. Business shall be conducted by majority vote of those present and a quorum shall consist of those present.

ARTICLE VI

Election of Officers and Directors

The Committee on Nominations shall consist of three members of the Chapter appointed by the President. The Chairman of the Committee shall be appointed by the President.

The Committee on Nominations shall nominate persons to stand for election as officers and directors at the biennial election. Terms shall begin on September 15, or the closest Monday after, and shall end 2 years subsequent on September 15, or the closest Monday after. Directors will serve staggered terms. The outgoing Secretary shall certify in writing the names of the officers and directors elected at the annual election to the Board of Directors of the Association.

Notice of the election and of the nominations, and ballots to elect by proxy the officers and directors of the Chapter shall be transmitted, by mail, fax, or email, to the membership of the Chapter no later than 30 days before the biennial election. A member of the Chapter may vote by casting his or vote at the biennial election of the Chapter or by returning his or her proxy ballot to the Secretary no later than the business day immediately preceding the date of the biennial election of the Chapter. The person receiving a plurality of ballots cast for a position shall be elected to that position.

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ARTICLE VII

Committees

The Chapter shall have such general committees as the Board of Directors may establish. With the approval of the Board of Directors, the President shall appoint the chairman and each of the members of each general committee (with the number of members of each general committee to be determined in the discretion of the President) to serve for two years following such appointment and thereafter until their respective successors are appointed; provided, however, that the chairman and the members thereof, shall have such duties as the Board of Directors may

prescribe including, without limitation, preparation of annual or periodic reports to the Board of Directors and the members of the Chapter.

In addition to the general committees established by the Board of Directors, the President may appoint such special committees, to consist of two or more members as determined by him or her, as he or she may deem to be required from time to time to conduct the affairs of the Chapter. The President shall announce the creation of and appointments to such special committees to the Board of Directors at its next meeting.

The majority of the members of any general or special committee shall constitute a quorum, and business shall be conducted by majority vote of those present.

Meetings of any committee shall be held at such times and places as the chairman thereof may appoint. Reasonable notice shall be given by him or her to each member.

ARTICLE VIII

Custody of Papers, Addresses, and Reports

Custody of all papers, addresses and reports submitted to the Chapter shall be lodged with the Secretary, and copies furnished to the Secretary of the Association upon request. All reports to the Chapter shall become the property of the Association and shall not be published unless by consent of the Board of Directors of the Association.

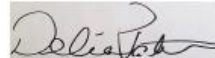
ARTICLE IX

Amendments to Charter

This Charter may be amended by the Board of Directors of the Chapter, but no such change shall be made, unless written notice of the proposed amendment has been given by the Secretary of the Chapter to the Secretary of the Association at least thirty days before the proposed effective date of such proposed amendment (unless such time period is waived by the Secretary of the Association), and the Board of Directors of the Association has approved the proposed amendment. This Charter also may be revoked by the Board of Directors of the Association.

ISSUED BY THE ENERGY BAR ASSOCIATION

Dated this 1 day of September 2022

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Delia D. Patterson", is written over a light gray rectangular background.

Delia D. Patterson, President