

RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA

(Amended by the Board of Governors, April 6, 2001)

Article VI

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Section 7

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D(3) The Conference shall consider only those resolutions which are within its purview. Those matters which are within the purview of the Conference of Delegates are as follows

(a) Matters which are necessarily or reasonably related to the regulation of the legal profession or the improvement of the quality of legal service available to the people of the State of California.

(b) Matters pertaining to the advancement of the science of jurisprudence or to the improvement of the administration of justice.

(c) Matters that may advance the professional interests of the members of the State Bar and such matters as concern the relations of the bar with the public.

(d) Other matters on which the Bar has special expertise or technical knowledge not shared by the general public or any substantial portion of the general public.

(4) The Conference shall not consider any resolutions which either:

(a) censures any identified or readily identifiable individual or group of individuals for conduct other than in a capacity as an officer of the State Bar; or

(b) because of their nature and timing constitute an expression of support or opposition for any pending Federal, State or Local ballot issue or current candidate.

(8) (a) As soon as practicable after a resolution is submitted, the Executive Committee, ~~in consultation with the President of the State Bar, The Chair of the Legal Committee, the Office of the General Counsel, or their respective designees,~~ shall determine whether it is within the purview of the Conference of Delegates in accordance with the criteria set forth in Section 7D(3) and 7D(4) above. The proponent of any resolution deemed to be outside of purview by the Executive Committee shall be notified promptly of this action in writing. The proponent may, within thirty (30) days of the mailing of such notice, but in no case later than noon of the day preceding the opening of the Conference, submit in writing to the Executive Committee an appeal of such determination to the Conference, stating the reasons and basis for the appeal.

~~(f) The Board of Governors or its designee shall monitor periodically the operation and implementation of this subsection.~~

SECTION 9. CONFERENCE REPORT

The Conference shall make an annual report in writing to the Board of Governors of the State Bar. The Conference is authorized to sponsor legislative proposals based upon resolutions which the Conference has approved in principle. Such proposal (a) shall not be inconsistent with the policies of the Board of Governors or the legislative program of the State Bar, and (b) must meet the criteria set forth in Section 7D(3) and 7D(4) above. If the Board of Governors or its designee provisionally determines that any

proposal may not comply with (a) or (b) above, the matter shall be temporarily removed from legislative consideration, pending further action by the Board or its designee. The Executive Committee or its designee shall be timely notified and invited to meet and confer to resolve the Board's objections, at which time the Board will consider such modifications as may be proposed by, or acceptable to, the Executive Committee. Thereafter, the Board or its designee will take such further action as appropriate. (Amended August 26, 1995.)