BYLAWS of the HASTINGS FAMILY LAW SOCIETY (HFLS)

Date: September 1, 2011

ARTICLE I  NAME OF ORGANIZATION

The name of this organization shall be Hastings Family Law Society (HFLS).

ARTICLE II PURPOSE

HFLS will provide students interested in family law with opportunities for academic support, career development, and networking, as well as other avenues for exploring and furthering those interests, including but not limited to sponsoring guest speakers, workshops, and volunteer opportunities.

ARTICLE III  MEMBERSHIP

Section 1  Any full-time student at UC Hastings College of the Law may become an active member of the organization.

Section 2  There shall be no dues or fees for membership in the organization.

ARTICLE IV  OFFICERS

Section 1  The officers of this organization shall consist of the president and vice president.

Section 2  All students are eligible to hold office. Any active member may head special committees.

Section 3  The method of nomination shall be from the floor by an active member. Officers of the organization shall be elected by secret ballot to service for one academic year. Elections shall be held during the last general meeting of the spring semester. All officers shall take office following this meeting and shall remain in office until their successors are elected.

Section 4  If the office of the president should become vacant for any reason, the vice president shall fill the vacancy for the remainder of the term. If any office other than the president
becomes vacant, that vacancy shall be filled by appointment by the president for the
remainder of the term.

Section 5 No member shall hold more than one office at one time, and no member shall be eligible
to serve more than three consecutive terms in the same office.

Section 6 The officers shall perform duties prescribed by these bylaws and by the parliamentary
authority adopted by the organization.

ARTICLE V MEETINGS

Section 1 The first meeting of the organization shall be held within the first three months of
scheduled classes as arranged by consensus of the officers, unless otherwise ordered by
the organization.

Section 2 The last meeting of the academic year shall be held within the last four weeks of
scheduled classes during the spring semester. This shall be known as the annual meeting
and shall be for the purpose of electing officers and receiving reports of officers and
committees.

Section 3 Special meetings can be called by the president or by the request of five active members
of the organization. At least one-week notice shall be given to all active members.

Section 4 Fifty percent of the entire active membership shall constitute a quorum for the
transaction of business, but less than a quorum may adjourn the meeting.

Section 5 The president of the organization shall preside at all meetings of the organization.

ARTICLE VI PARLIAMENTARY AUTHORITY

Section 1 The rules contained in the current edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall
govern the organization in all cases to which they are applicable and in which they are
not inconsistent with these bylaws and any special rules of order the organization may
adopt.
ARTICLE VII AMENDMENT OF BYLAWS

Section 1  These bylaws can be amended by any regular meeting of the organization by a two-thirds (2/3) vote, provided that the amendment has been submitted in writing to the president at least ten days in advance of this meeting.

Section 2  The president must distribute the proposed amendment to the active membership at least one week prior to the general meeting at which voting on the amendment is to be held.