Article I. Middle Eastern Law Students Association
The official name of the organization established by the students of UC Hastings shall be as follows: Middle Eastern Law Students Association.

Article II. Purposes
The purposes of the aforementioned organization are to provide a support system for students of Middle Eastern heritage, to explore and celebrate the cultures of the Middle East, and to provide a forum for discussion of legal issues pertaining to the Middle East.

Article III. General Membership
Section 1: Eligibility
Any full-time student of Hastings College of the Law may become a General Member of the aforementioned organization.
Section 2: Membership Fees
No membership due shall be required except upon the written approval of at least 10 General Members of the aforementioned organization.
Section 3: Non-Discrimination Policy
In accordance with the school's policy on nondiscrimination, the aforementioned organization shall not discriminate unlawfully on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, disability, age, sex, or sexual orientation.

Article IV. Board Membership
Section 1: Positions
The aforementioned organization shall have the following positions as part of its Board: President, Vice President of External Affairs, Vice President of Internal Affairs. No Board Member shall hold more than one office at a time.
Section 2: Duties of President
The President shall be a neutral-voting member who resides over all General Member and Board meetings. The President shall act as a representative by regularly attending mandatory meetings held by ASUCH for student organizations. If for any reason the President cannot attend, he or she shall elect a member to attend.
Section 3: Duties of Vice President of External Affairs
The Vice President of External Affairs shall be responsible for maintaining contact with Hastings alumni, other Middle Eastern law student organizations throughout the bay area, and other organizations.
Section 4: Duties of Vice President of Internal Affairs
The Vice President of Internal Affairs shall be responsible for maintaining contact with General Members, the Hastings faculty and administration, and other student organizations at Hastings.
Section 5: Terms of Office
Board members shall serve for at least one term of one academic year. Members may serve more than one term if there is no objection by the General Membership or other board members. Otherwise, a secret ballot election shall occur to determine the next term's Board Members.

Section 6: Additional Officers
General Members or Board Members may appoint, at any time, additional officers or faculty advisors as needed. Only those who attend meetings on a regular basis shall be eligible to hold office.

Section 7: Board Vacancy
Should a Board position become vacant for any reason, the remaining Board Members may appoint a General Member to fill the vacancy with the consent of the other General Members. If there is any objection to the appointment, there shall be an election by secret ballot among the General Membership. Any Board Member or General Member may nominate a candidate in this election. The candidate with the majority of votes shall be appointed to fill the vacancy.

Article V. Meetings
Section 1: General Meetings
Regular meetings of the organization shall be conducted at least once a semester for all General Members. Sixty percent of all active General Members present shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Section 2: Board Meetings
Board members shall hold a board meeting at least three times each semester. At least three board members must be present to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

Section 3: Special-Request Meetings
Special meetings may be called by any of the Board Members or by request of five active General Members of the organization. A three day notice shall be given to all Members.

Article VI. Amendments
These bylaws may be amended at any general or regular meeting of the organization by a two-thirds vote of all those present at the meeting, provided that the proposed amendment has been submitted in writing to the Board.