

According to the Article 17 and 23, of the Law on associations of citizens and foundations (Official gazette of RM, no 52/2010 and 135/2011) the Assembly of the Center for Legal Research and Analysis on the joint meeting held on the 1st of April 2012, enacted the following:

STATUTE
of the
CENTER FOR LEGAL RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS
- Consolidated text –

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 1

The Center for Legal Research and Analysis (hereinafter referred to as CLRA) is a professional, nongovernmental organization, formed through free association of citizens for improving the legal system in the Republic of Macedonia.

Article 2

The name of the citizens association is Association for Legal Research and Analysis CENTER FOR LEGAL RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS Skopje.

The association will use an abbreviation CENTER FOR LEGAL RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS Skopje.

The head office of the association is in Skopje, on str.“Jordan Hadzikonstantinov Dzinot” no.3, 1000 – Skopje.

CLRA, as a citizen’s association will accomplish its goals, tasks and activities in accordance with the Constitution of the Republic of Macedonia, the relevant provisions from the laws and the Statute of the association.

Political and religious organizing is forbidden within CLRA.

No member of the association can use the membership as mean of realization of political interests.

Article 3

CLRA has a stamp and a facsimile.

The stamp is round and contains the name of the association: Center for Legal Research and Analysis – Skopje, and in the middle of the stamp the abbreviation CLRA is located.

The facsimile is rectangular and contains the following text:

Center for Legal Research and Analysis - Skopje
Number _____
_____/____ year
Skopje

Article 4

CLRA, pending separate decision from the assembly, can develop different forms of cooperation with other organizations, domestic and from abroad, having common programmatic goals and can participate in the above.

GOALS AND OBJECTIVES OF CLRA

Article 5

CLRA has the following goals and objectives:

- Improving the legal system in Macedonia through researching and analyzing the conditions and presenting alternative solutions for overcome the problems and disadvantages;
- Active participation in the reforms of all the segments of the social, political and legal system in Republic of Macedonia;
- Establishing cooperation with all relevant institutions in Republic of Macedonia and abroad;
- Providing professional services;
- And performs other duties

For delivering the goals and objectives, CLRA will follow a detailed programme of activities that will be prepared by the Executive Board and will be adopted by the Assembly on the beginning of every year.

MEMBERSHIP IN CLRA

Article 6

Every person that fulfills the conditions established by CLRA can be a member of CLRA.

A person who wants to become a member of CLRA should fulfill the following conditions: to be of full age, to be a prominent professional in the field of his/hers works, and to accept the Statute and Programme of CLRA.

Honorary members are elected by the Assembly by acclamation, on the Executive Board's proposal.

Becoming a member of CLRA is throw a procedure provided in this Statute.

CLRA keeps a register of its members, for which the professional service is in charge, and it is constantly updated.

Article 7

All members have the following rights, duties and responsibilities:

- To actively participate in the delivering of the goals and the objectives and the activities that rise form the programme of CLRA;
- To participate in the identification and implementation of activities at all levels of organizing through initiating, conducting and delivering projects in terms of the goals, duties and programme of CLRA by the organs of CLRA;
- To elect and to be elected in the organs of CLRA;

- To be informed of the activities that CVRA undertakes;
- For its work to be held responsible before the appropriate bodies and organs of CLRA;
- Other rights, duties and responsibilities deriving from this Statute;
- Member of CLRA cannot act in personal interest against the objectives, interests and duties of CLRA.

PROCEDURE FOR ENROLLMENT

Article 8

The request for enrollment in CLRA can be submitted by all fulfilling the conditions set in article 6. The request is submitted to the Executive Board of CLRA.

Article 9

CLRAs Executive Board makes a decision of the enrollment on its next joint meeting by consensus.

Article 10

From the moment of the Boards decision with which the candidate gains the right to be a member of CLRA, the candidate gains all the rights, duties and responsibilities of a member of CLRA.

CESSATION OF MEMBERSHIP

Article 11

The membership in CLRA can cease:

- If the member submits a written statement stepping out of CLRA;
- If the member violated the provisions of this Statute of CLRA;
- If the member unjustifiably failed to attend more than a half of the regular and meetings of the CLRAs Assembly during the calendar year;
- By death.

The occurrence of the grounds for termination of membership is concluded and decided by the Executive Board with a majority vote of all of its members. The decision for termination takes effect immediately after it is adopted and it is concluded by the Assembly of its next joint meeting.

ORGANS OF CLRA

Article 12

Organs of CLRA are:

- Assembly;
- Executive Board.

ASSEMBLY

Article 13

The assembly is the highest organ of CLRA.

The assembly is consisted of all members of MYLA.

The assembly has the following rights, duties and responsibilities:

- Enacts the Statute and the program as well as other acts of CLRA and performs its changes and amendments;
- Elects and dismisses Executive board members;
- Enacts detailed yearly program of activities;
- Adopts the balance-sheet and the financial plan of CLRA;
- Adopts the Annual work report, prepared and submitted by the Executive Board;
- Decides for association and separation of other associations of citizens and for joining in unions and international and regional organizations;
- Concludes a cessation of membership on a decision of the Executive board;
- Decides on election of honorable members;
- Decides on cessation of the work of CLRA by 2/3 majority vote;
- Decides on other questions that are not under the competence of other organs;

Article 14

The assembly holds regular meetings when deemed necessary, at least one in a period of one year.

The time and venue of the meetings is determined by the Executive Board with a decision.

The Assembly is assembled by the Executive Board and

- According to paragraph 1 of this article;
- On the request on at least of 1/4 of the assembly members, submitted to the Executive Board of CLRA.

Article 15

The assembly is opened and presided by Chairman.

The chairman is elected with a simple majority of votes.

In absence of the chairman, the Assembly elects a different chairman.

The assembly is assembled with a written invitation to all members, delivered by electronic mail and published on the web site of CLRA, no later than 14 days before the Assembly is held.

The invitation contains the agenda of the meeting and if it is necessary, all the suggested documents, summarized in draft versions are delivered together with the invitation.

Article 16

The assembly can operate if more than half of the total number of members of CLRA are present.

The Assembly adopts its decisions with 2/3 majority vote of the present members on the session, unless otherwise predicted with this Statute for specific questions.

The voting in front of the Assembly can be secret if it is concluded with a prior decision.

Article 17

Assembly sessions are recorded through minutes. The minutes are adopted on the following meeting.

The minutes are recorded by the technical service of CLRA or a clerk appointed by the Chairman.

The minutes are signed by the Chairman.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Article 18

The Managing Board counts 5 to 7 members.

The Managing Board elects a president from its rank with a mandate of 2 years with the right to be reelected. The president is elected with majority of the members of the Executive Board.

Article 19

The assembly holds regular meetings when deemed necessary, at least one in a period of one month.

The meetings of the Executive Board are convened by President or by 1/3 of the members of the Executive Board.

In the case of prevention or absence of the President, the meetings are headed by a member of the Executive Board set by the President.

Article 20

The Executive Board can operate if more than half of the total number of members of the board is present, and it adopts its decisions with majority vote of the present members.

Every member of CLRA has a right to request to be present on the Executive Board meeting, and for that the decision is made by the Executive Board.

Article 21

Executive Board has the following rights, duties and responsibilities:

- Prepares the sessions of the Assembly;
- Prepares a draft of the Statute and other acts of CLRA which should be enacted by the Assembly, proposes changes and amendments to this acts;
- Prepares and adopts rulebooks, and other internal acts required for the regular and proper functioning of the association according to the Statute;
- Organizes the election of organs in CLRA;
- Decides for admission of new members;
- Implements the policy, conclusions and the decisions adopted by the assembly;
- Ensures proper use of resources and income;
- Is held responsible for management of the association's assets;
- On the first working session, decides on the authorized signatories of the CLRA's account;
- Establishes a professional team and adopts the systematization of the professional team of CLRA;
- Prepares the Annual work report of CLRA;
- Prepares the consolidated financial reports of CLRA;
- Upon a request of the Assembly of CLRA, delivers reports for the activities;
- Appoints a coordinator for CLRAs activities.

The mandate of the members of the Executive Board is 4 years with the right of reelected.

ELECTIONS IN CLRA

Article 22

Elections for organs, their members and officials of CLRA are made in regular Assembly meetings.

Every member of CLRA can be proposed to be a member of the Executive Board with a proposition of a member of CLRA.

Propositions of electing a member of the Executive Board are submitted to the Executive Board at least 14 days prior to the Assembly meeting.

The Executive Board submits the requests of members of EB to the Chairman that headed the Assembly and it puts them to vote.

Elections of all functions are public, except if the Assembly decides otherwise on a request of 1/3 of the members present.

For the procedure of secret vote, a commission of 3 members of the Assembly is formed on a proposition of the chairman of the Assembly and the Assembly decides for their appointment.

Appointed officials of CLRA are candidates for which at least 1/3 of the present members of the Assembly have stated.

For the results of the elections, Minutes are conducted, that are signed by the chairman of the session and the members of the commission if the vote was secret.

PROFESIONAL TEAMS

Article 23

The Executive Board establishes Professional team for realization of the goals and objectives of CLRA.

The Executive Board adopts systematization of the professional teams of CLRA and appoints coordinators for the CLRAs activities.

TAXES AND FEES

Article 24

Every member shall pay yearly fee determined with a decision of the Executive Board of CLRA on the account of the association.

REPRESENTATION AND SOLICITATION OF CLRA

Article 25

CLRA shall be represented and solicited by the President of the Executive Board.

In case of absence or impediment, the CLRA is represented by one of the members of the Executive Board for who they decide.

Article 26

The President of the Executive Board represent and solicit CLRA before:

- Parties which are interested for successful accomplishment of objectives and tasks of CLRA;
- Parties which co-operate with CLRA and their official delegations and organs;

During representation and solicitation of CLRA, the President of the Executive Board does not have right to give - up from objectives and tasks, program orientations and directions established by the Assembly of CLRA and this Statute.

TRANSPARENCY OF THE WORKING ACTIVITIES OF CLRA

Article 27

The working activities of CLRA are public and shall be performed through:

- Access to reports and other documents from the work of CLRA to the members and other interested parties and their submission to the public through the public media;
- Publications of bulletins , newsletters, web sites and other publications;
- Organization of conferences for informing of the public;
- Issue of press releases to the public;
- Direct presentation of the official representatives of CLRA before the media;
- Other means which can ensure accurate and honest informing of the public about the work of CLRA.
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TERMINATION OF WORKING ACTIVITIES OF CLRA

Article 28

CLRA may terminate its working activities due to:

- Inactivity or non – accomplishment of the Program and Statutory provisions, upon decision of the Assembly with 2/3 majority of total number of Members of the Assembly of CLRA;
- Other reasons established by the Law.

ACQUIRING AND MANAGEMENT OF THE PROPERTY OF CLRA

Article 29

CLRA can acquire assets and revenues from membership fees, contributions, donations and grants, project and other activities, which shall be managed in accordance with this Statute and Law.

The assets and the revenues shall be composed of objects, money and material rights.

Article 30

Every Member has right to ask to inspect the spending and management of the assets and revenues of CLRA.

The request for inspection shall be submitted in a written form to the Executive Board, that shall conduct the financial documents in which the inspect is required and will ask the person requesting the inspect to do it within 14 days.

Article 31

After termination of the working activities of CLRA, the property and other rights and revenues which shall remain liquid after fulfilment of the obligations, shall be transferred by a decision of the members of the Assembly.

FINAL AND TRANSITIONAL PROVISIONS

Article 32

The Assembly of CLRA has the right to interpret this Statute.

Article 33

Amendments to this status are made by the same procedure as its adoption.

Article 34

This Statute enters into force on the day of its enactment.

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