REPORT #  SUBJECT

11-1  CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT
Amends §1.2 of the Association’s Constitution to include the following language as one of the purposes of the Association: “to defend the right to life of all innocent human beings, including all those conceived but not yet born.”

11-2  CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT
Amends §6.8 to include the South Asian Bar Association of North America (SABA) as an affiliated organization of the American Bar Association (ABA) and be represented in the ABA House of Delegates accordingly.

11-3  CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT
Amends §31.7 of the Association’s Constitution to change the name of the Standing Committee on Legal Aid and Indigent Defendants to the Standing Committee on Legal Aid and Indigent Defense and amend its jurisdictional statement.

11-4  HOUSE RULES AMENDMENT
Amends §44.2(b) of the Rules of Procedure of the House of Delegates to provide a presenter five minutes to present a resolution when the Chair of the House of Delegates invokes the rules of limited debate.

11-5  HOUSE RULES AMENDMENT
Amends §45.1 and §45.2 of the Rules of Procedure of the House of Delegates to add the requirement that a resolution must advance one or more of the ABA’s Four Goals.

100A  YOUNG LAWYERS DIVISION
Urges all employers in the legal profession to implement, maintain, and encourage the use of paid family leave policies for the birth, adoption, or foster placement of a child.
100B  YOUNG LAWYERS DIVISION
SECTION OF CIVIL RIGHTS & SOCIAL JUSTICE
LAW STUDENT DIVISION
SECTION OF STATE & LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAW
CRIMINAL JUSTICE SECTION
Supports the interpretation that “race,” as included in antidiscrimination statutes, be not limited to the color of one’s skin, but rather, includes other physical and cultural characteristics associated with race; urges federal, state, local, territorial, and tribal governments to enact legislation banning race discrimination on the basis of the texture, style, or appearance of a person’s hair; encourages all federal, state, tribal, territorial, and local court systems, in conjunction with state, territorial, tribal and local bar associations, to carefully review their discrimination policies and provide implicit bias training to eradicate discrimination on the basis of the texture, style, or appearance of a person’s hair; and supports enactment of the Creating a Respectful and Open World for Natural Hair Act of 2019 (S. 3167, H.R. 5309, 116th Congress) or similar legislation that advances antidiscrimination on the basis of the texture, style, or appearance of a person’s hair.

101  STANDING COMMITTEE ON ELECTION LAW
SECTION OF CIVIL RIGHTS AND SOCIAL JUSTICE
COMMISSION ON DISABILITY RIGHTS
SENIOR LAWYERS DIVISION
SECTION OF STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAW
Adopts the American Bar Association Election Administration Guidelines and Commentary, dated August 2020, supplanting all earlier versions; recommends that all election officials ensure the integrity of the election process through the adoption, use, and enforcement of the Guidelines; and urges that federal, state, local, territorial, and tribal governments provide state, local, territorial, and tribal election authorities with adequate funding to implement the Guidelines and Commentary.

102A  INTERNATIONAL LAW SECTION
SECTION OF ENVIRONMENT, ENERGY, AND RESOURCES
TORT TRIAL AND INSURANCE PRACTICE SECTION
CRIMINAL JUSTICE SECTION
WASHINGTON STATE BAR ASSOCIATION
Urges federal, state, territorial and tribal governments to enact and enforce legislation that prohibits and penalizes the possession, sale, and trade of shark fins; urges that all nations enact laws that prohibit and penalize the possession, sale, and trade of shark fins; and encourages all international, regional, national, and state bar associations, and international organizations, to promote policies and laws that prohibit and penalize the possession, sale, and trade of shark fins.
102B INTERNATIONAL LAW SECTION
SECTION OF DISPUTE RESOLUTION
Urges all nations, including the United States, to become a party to and
implement the 2019 Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign
Judgments in Civil or Commercial Matters.

102C INTERNATIONAL LAW SECTION
CENTER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS
Urges the United States, other nations, and the United Nations to facilitate and
promote neutral and inclusive dialogues between the government of Cameroon
and separatist leaders; urges adequate funding by the United States and other
nations for the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs’
Humanitarian Response Plan; urges the United States, other nations, and the
United Nations to urge the government of Cameroon and separatist groups, as
applicable, to comply with their obligations under international human rights and
international humanitarian law; urges the Commonwealth of Nations, the
International Organization of La Francophonie, and the African Union to
substantially support the above efforts and promote a peaceful resolution to the
conflict; and urges the President of the United States to continue to withhold
beneficiary country status under the U.S. Trade and Development Act of 2000
until the Cameroon government demonstrates measurable progress in
establishing the rule of law, including by providing fair trials for prisoners detained
in connection with protests against the government.

103 COMMISSION ON DISABILITY RIGHTS
SECTION OF CIVIL RIGHTS AND SOCIAL JUSTICE
Urges federal, state, local, territorial, and tribal governments to adopt and enforce
legislation and educational policy that 1) prohibits school personnel from using
seclusion, mechanical, and chemical restraints on preschool elementary and
secondary students, 2) prohibits school personnel from using physical restraint
unless the student’s behavior poses an imminent danger of serious physical
injury to self or others, 3) prohibits the use of restraints in a face-down position
or any other position that is likely to impair a student’s ability to breathe, in
situations where physical restraint is used, and 4) requires professional
development and ongoing training in positive behavior interventions and trauma-
informed care.

104A STANDING COMMITTEE ON SPECIALIZATION
Grants reaccreditation to the Social Security Disability Law program of the
National Board of Trial Advocacy of Wrentham, Massachusetts, and the
Business Bankruptcy Law, Consumer Bankruptcy Law, and Creditors’ Rights
Law programs of the American Board of Certification of Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
STANDING COMMITTEE ON SPECIALIZATION
Adopts certain clarifying revisions to Standard 4.06(C) Written Examination of the Standing Committee on Specialization’s Standards for the Accreditation of Specialty Certification Programs for Lawyers, dated August 2020.

COMMISSION ON LAW AND AGING
SENIOR LAWYERS DIVISION
SECTION OF REAL PROPERTY, TRUST, AND ESTATE LAW
COMMISSION ON DISABILITY RIGHTS
Urges Congress to create and fund a Guardianship Court Improvement Program for adult guardianship (following the model of the State Court Improvement Program for child welfare agencies created in 1993) to support state court efforts to improve the legal process in the adult guardianship system, improve outcomes for adults subject to or potentially subject to guardianship, increase the use of less restrictive options than guardianship, and enhance collaboration among courts, the legal system, and the aging and disability networks.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE SECTION
Urges criminal justice stakeholders to consider using a restorative justice response to crime as one effective alternative, or adjunct to, a criminal adjudicatory process, in appropriate cases; urges federal, state, local, territorial and tribal governments to develop grant and funding streams to enable criminal justice stakeholders and community partner organizations to develop, maintain, and assess the effectiveness of restorative justice programs in a data-driven manner; and urges the National Institute of Justice to prioritize and make publicly available an evaluation of restorative justice practices nationwide.

CRIMINAL JUSTICE SECTION

STANDING COMMITTEE ON ETHICS AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY
STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AID AND INDIGENT DEFENDANTS
Amends Model Rule 1.8(e) by adding a narrow exception to the Rule that will increase access to justice for the most vulnerable clients.

SECTION OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW
SECTION OF ADMINISTRATIVE LAW AND REGULATORY PRACTICE
Urges Congress to enact legislation authorizing one or more principal officers, who are appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate, to review decisions of the Patent Trial and Appeal Board (PTAB) determining the patentability of any claim reviewed by the PTAB before such decisions become final decisions of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), and that the legislation should also restore Title 5 removal protections for Administrative Patent Judges (APJs) of the PTAB.
108B SECTION OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW
Supports, in principle, a transparent administrative process or processes to
remove trademark registrations from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office's
Principal or Supplemental Register.

109A SECTION OF LEGAL EDUCATION AND ADMISSIONS TO THE BAR
Concurs in the action of the Council of the Section of Legal Education and
Admissions to the Bar in making amendments dated August 2020 to Definitions,
Standards, and Rules of the *ABA Standards and Rules of Procedure for Approval
of Law Schools*, that change the approval process for distance education
programs to a substantive change process (Standard 105 and Rule 24) as
required by the U.S. Department of Education, rather than the current variance
process (Standard 107).

109B SECTION OF LEGAL EDUCATION AND ADMISSIONS TO THE BAR
Concurs in the action of the Council of the Section of Legal Education and
Admissions to the Bar in making amendments dated August 2020 to Rule 2 of
the *ABA Standards and Rules of Procedure for Approval of Law Schools*,
authorizing the Council to act quickly to address an emergency impacting
multiple law schools—either regionally or nationally, by providing temporary relief
from a rule or the requirements of a standard to allow law schools to respond to
the emergency.

109C SECTION OF LEGAL EDUCATION AND ADMISSIONS TO THE BAR
Concurs in the action of the Council of the Section of Legal Education and
Admissions to the Bar in making amendments dated August 2020 to Rules 2, 22,
24, 27, 29, and 39 of the *ABA Standards and Rules of Procedure for Approval
of Law Schools*.

109D SECTION OF LEGAL EDUCATION AND ADMISSIONS TO THE BAR
Concurs in the action of the Council of the Section of Legal Education and
Admissions to the Bar in making amendments dated August 2020 to Standards
102, 103, and 105 of the *ABA Standards and Rules of Procedure for Approval
of Law Schools*. 
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STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR MILITARY PERSONNEL
COMMISSION ON HOMELESSNESS AND POVERTY
SECTION OF CIVIL RIGHTS AND SOCIAL JUSTICE
SECTION OF STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAW

Urges Congress and the Administration to require the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to remove regulatory barriers to full accreditation of Tribal Veterans Service Officers (TVSOs); provide sufficient federal funding for establishing and operating TVSOs where a tribal community is economically disadvantaged; and urges that when the Department of Veterans Affairs promulgates rules and regulations governing agent accreditation or the administration of programs, benefits, treatment, and services for veterans on Tribal land, the proposals be culturally competent, acknowledge the status of federally-recognized tribes as domestic dependent sovereigns, and be consistent with prevailing laws of sovereignty.

111A

SECTION OF LITIGATION
SECTION OF INTERNATIONAL LAW

Adopts the “Best Practices for Third-Party Litigation Funding” dated August 2020

111B

SECTION OF LITIGATION
SECTION OF CIVIL RIGHTS AND SOCIAL JUSTICE
COMMISSION ON DOMESTIC AND SEXUAL VIOLENCE
COMMISSION ON YOUTH AT RISK
COMMISSION ON HOMELESSNESS AND POVERTY
COALITION ON RACIAL AND ETHNIC JUSTICE

Urges all federal, state, tribal, local, and territorial governments to adopt policies and contractual provisions that: 1) prohibit conducting strip searches of children and youth, except in exceptional circumstances, 2) require that, if the child or youth must be strip-searched, the search is conducted in a manner that respects the sexual orientation and gender identity of the child or youth and is the least intrusive manner possible, 3) prohibit body cavity searches of children and youth; and encourages court systems, lawyers, law schools, and bar associations to promote awareness of the harmful effects of strip searches and body cavity searches of children and youth, including trauma and re-victimization.

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STANDING COMMITTEE ON PARALEGALS

Grants approval to 1 paralegal education program, grants reapproval to 10 programs, withdraws the approval of 4 programs at the request of the institutions, and extends the term of approval to 48 programs.
COMMISSION ON DOMESTIC & SEXUAL VIOLENCE
SECTION OF CIVIL RIGHTS AND SOCIAL JUSTICE
NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF WOMEN’S BAR ASSOCIATIONS
CENTER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

Urges Congress to re-authorize and fully fund the Violence Against Women Act and similar legislation: 1) Preserves the protections approved in the 2013 reauthorization of VAWA, and continues to respond to emerging challenges and to the concerns from the field of expert professionals, 2) Improves services, minimizes bias, and prioritizes safety, autonomy, and support for all victims of gender-based violence, with a particular emphasis on the self-defined needs of marginalized and underserved groups, 3) Enhances judicial, legal, and law enforcement tools that respond to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking in a trauma-informed way, 4) Strengthens the healthcare system’s comprehensive and trauma-informed response to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, 5) Provides economic and housing opportunities and protections for victims of domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, and stalking, including non-discrimination protections, and 6) Implements evidence-based prevention and educational programs that encourage healthy relationships and teach how to respond to attitudes and behaviors contributing to sexual and domestic violence.

COMMISSION ON DOMESTIC & SEXUAL VIOLENCE
SECTION OF CIVIL RIGHTS AND SOCIAL JUSTICE
NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF WOMEN’S BAR ASSOCIATIONS
CENTER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

Urges federal, state, local, territorial, and tribal governments to enact legislation and policies to require all health care providers to obtain specific informed patient consent in advance for all medically unnecessary pelvic examinations.

COMMISSION ON DOMESTIC & SEXUAL VIOLENCE
CRIMINAL JUSTICE SECTION
SECTION OF CIVIL RIGHTS AND SOCIAL JUSTICE
NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF WOMEN’S BAR ASSOCIATIONS
CENTER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

Adopts the eight principles and accompanying commentary set forth in the U.S. Department of Justice December 15, 2015 guidance titled Identifying and Preventing Gender Bias in Law Enforcement Response to Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence; and urges all federal, state, territorial, local and tribal law enforcement agencies in the United States to: (1) adopt those same principles; (2) provide periodic training to all law enforcement agency personnel to promote compliance with those principles; and (3) engage in regular review of compliance efforts and make any necessary adjustments to improve compliance.
114  CENTER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS
Urges all national governments to observe, respect, and protect the independence of the International Criminal Court; and condemns threats by governments to the International Criminal Court and its officers and personnel in the performance of their duties.

115  COMMISSION ON YOUTH AT RISK
SECTION OF CIVIL RIGHTS AND SOCIAL JUSTICE
COMMISSION ON IMMIGRATION
Recognizes that effective reforms of legal systems that affect the fundamental rights of children and youth cannot be accomplished without active participation by individuals who experienced those systems as children and youth; encourages attorneys, judges, advocates, legislators, bar associations, and law schools to promote effective, ongoing, and authentic engagement in legal system reform and advocacy efforts by individuals who have experienced those systems as children and youth and to remove barriers to that engagement; urges law schools, bar associations, law firms, and other professional organizations to create pathways for individuals with lived experience in legal systems that affect children and youth to pursue and succeed in legal and advocacy careers, both within youth-serving systems and more broadly in the legal profession; and calls on organizations focused on improving legal systems that affect children and youth to incorporate individuals who experienced those systems as children into leadership positions.

116A  SECTION OF CIVIL RIGHTS AND SOCIAL JUSTICE
COALITION ON RACIAL AND ETHNIC JUSTICE
Urges federal, state, local, territorial, and Tribal governments to enact legislation that requires: 1) law enforcement agencies to keep records of instances in which lethal force is used, 2) the appointment of a fully independent special prosecutor whenever a person’s death occurs in the custody of or during an encounter with a police officer or other law enforcement officer, and 3) a showing of objective reasonable necessity to establish a defense in criminal cases involving lethal force use by a police or other law enforcement officer.
**116B**  
SECTION OF CIVIL RIGHTS AND SOCIAL JUSTICE  
SECTION OF STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAW  
COMMISSION ON HOMELESSNESS & POVERTY  
Urges federal, state, local, territorial, and tribal governments to: 1) adopt and enforce fair lending laws and other federal, state and local laws targeting unfair or deceptive acts or practices, 2) adopt laws and policies that promote the adoption of an enhanced non-discrimination compliance system for a vehicle loan, 3) adopt legislation requiring the timely notice and disclosure of pricing of add-on products by dealers on each vehicle through reasonable means; urges Congress to amend the Equal Credit Opportunity Act to require documentation and collection of the applicant’s race, gender or national origin for non-mortgage credit transactions, specifically for vehicle transactions; and encourages state, local, territorial and tribal bar associations to offer educational programming and materials to lawyers and consumers to help them understand and navigate purchases and financing of vehicles.

**116C**  
SECTION OF CIVIL RIGHTS AND SOCIAL JUSTICE  
COMMISSION ON SEXUAL ORIENTATION AND GENDER IDENTITY  
HEALTH LAW SECTION  
CENTER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS  
Opposes federal, state, local, territorial and tribal legislation, regulation, and agency policy that discriminates against transgender and non-binary people on the basis of gender identity and/or that imposes barriers to obtaining or providing medically necessary care to affirm an individual’s gender identity.

**116D**  
CIVIL RIGHTS AND SOCIAL JUSTICE SECTION  
CRIMINAL JUSTICE SECTION  
Urges federal, state, local, territorial, and tribal legislatures to enact legislation, and correctional and detention facilities for both adults and minors to enact policies requiring that all incarcerated persons are provided with: 1) soap, paper towels, hand sanitizer, and facial tissues in sufficient quantities to prevent the transmission of infectious disease; 2) personal protective equipment including personal sanitizing products and face masks that are effective in preventing existing and emerging infections in sufficient quantities to prevent the transmission of infectious disease; and 3) sufficient facilities for hand washing, including unrestricted access to clean water and working sinks.
SECTION OF CIVIL RIGHTS AND SOCIAL JUSTICE
CRIMINAL JUSTICE SECTION
SECTION OF STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAW
STANDING COMMITTEE ON LEGAL AID AND INDIGENT DEFENDANTS
COALITION ON RACIAL AND ETHNIC JUSTICE

Urges federal, state, local, territorial and tribal governments to: 1) enact and enforce legislation directing law enforcement officials and election officials to establish a protocol where pretrial detainees, who are eligible to register to vote or vote in the jurisdiction in which they are detained are given the opportunity to register to vote and cast ballots in their respective federal, state, and local elections; and 2) promulgate and enforce regulations that facilitate the participation of such pretrial detainees in all federal, state, local, and special elections, including the ability to register to vote, obtain a ballot, and have that ballot delivered to the appropriate elections office.

SECTION OF CIVIL RIGHTS AND SOCIAL JUSTICE
COMMISSION ON SEXUAL ORIENTATION AND GENDER IDENTITY
CENTER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS
HEALTH LAW SECTION

Urges the United States Department of Defense to declare that: (a) HIV status alone has no impact on service members’ ability to fully execute their duties and is not a determinant of fitness for duty; and (b) HIV is not a medical condition that should disqualify a person from enlistment, appointment, commissioning, deployment or retention in the U.S. military.

SECTION OF CIVIL RIGHTS AND SOCIAL JUSTICE
SECTION OF STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAW
COMMISSION ON HISPANIC LEGAL RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES
COMMISSION ON SEXUAL ORIENTATION AND GENDER IDENTITY
COUNCIL FOR DIVERSITY IN THE EDUCATIONAL PIPELINE
COALITION ON RACIAL AND ETHNIC JUSTICE
COMMISSION ON DISABILITY RIGHTS
CENTER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS

Urges that, in all states, territories and tribes, the highest courts or legislative bodies charged with the administration of justice, admission to the bar, or regulation of the legal profession, require that lawyers, judges, commissioners, referees, probation officers, and court personnel whose job requires interacting with the public receive periodic training regarding implicit biases that addresses, at minimum: sex, race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, ethnic group identification, age, disability, medical condition, genetic information, marital status, sexual orientation, gender expression and gender identity; and urges that, in all states, territories, and tribes, the highest courts or legislative bodies, or agencies and boards that license and regulate the medical profession or social service professions, require that medical professionals and social service professionals who work with the public receive periodic training regarding the implicit biases previously noted.
Urges federal, state, local, territorial, and tribal governments to: 1) repeal laws that disenfranchise persons based upon criminal conviction, 2) restore voting rights to those currently and formerly incarcerated, including those on probation, parole, or any other community-based correctional program, 3) assure that no person convicted of crime is disenfranchised because of nonpayment of a fine, court costs, restitution or other financial obligations imposed as a result of a criminal conviction; and amends the Criminal Justice Standards on Collateral Sanctions and Discretionary Disqualification of Convicted Persons (3d Edition, 2004).

Urges federal, state, local, territorial, and tribal governments to: 1) use a considered and measured approach in adopting and utilizing virtual or remote court proceedings established as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic; 2) form appropriate committees to establish or review the use of virtual or remote court proceedings and make recommendations for procedures, revisions of procedures and best practices; 3) ensure that virtual or remote court proceedings guarantee equal access and meet standards of fundamental fairness and due process; 4) provide advance notice of proceedings and ensure full and meaningful public access to virtual proceedings, while also protecting the privacy of those proceedings legally exempted from public access; 5) reintroduce in-person court options as soon as safely feasible as determined by public health officials, and 6) study the impacts of virtual or remote court procedures and take steps to halt, alter, or revise virtual or remote court procedures if such study suggests prejudicial effect or disparate impact on case outcomes.

Recommends that certain Association policies that pertain to public issues and are 10 years old or older be archived.

Recommends that certain Association policies that pertain to public issues that were adopted in 2000 which were previously considered for archiving but retained be archived.