

MICHIGAN ASSOCIATION OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS
BY-LAWS

- ARTICLE I. The name of the Association shall be The Michigan Association of Medical Examiners.
- ARTICLE II. The object of this association shall be to foster the highest professional standards in the performance of the duties of the county medical examiners of Michigan. To this end, the Association will produce educational materials and hold scientific meetings, provide a forum for the discussion of professional and managerial issues, and provide information concerning the medical examiners to county and state administrators and legislators and to the general public.
- ARTICLE III. *ETHICS.* Since the function of the county medical examiner is the practice of medicine, and since the law requires that the county medical examiners be licensed in Medicine or Osteopathy, The Principles of Ethics of these professions shall apply. In addition, every member shall strive for strict scientific accuracy in reports and testimony.
- ARTICLE IV. *MEMBERSHIP.*
- Section 1: Membership in this organization shall be open to physician county medical examiners and deputy medical examiners, and pathologists who perform autopsies for county medical examiners or who are active in other areas of forensic pathology.
- Section 2: Membership will be extended to persons holding a Doctorate Degree in an allied field related to medico-legal investigation and with an established relationship to a medical examiner system.
- Section 3: All members are eligible to vote and to hold office.
- Section 4: Persons seeking membership shall submit a written application indicating their official titles and/or their involvement in the activities of the county medical examiner.
- Section 5: Members who are no longer affiliated with a medical examiner system may apply for associate member status. Physicians who are in an accredited training program are also eligible to apply for associate member status. They may attend all scientific, social and business sessions of the organization, but are not eligible to vote or hold office. Annual dues for associate members shall be one-half the current annual dues for members.

ARTICLE V. *AFFILIATE MEMBERSHIP /ORGANIZATION.*

Section 1: Affiliate membership will be open to individual within the medical examiner system who are not otherwise eligible for membership under Article IV.

Section 2: Affiliate members of MAME must be recommended for membership by the Medical Examiner responsible for their professional activities.

Section 3: Affiliate members are eligible to attend all scientific and social sessions of the organization. They may also attend organization business meetings but are not eligible to vote or hold office.

ARTICLE VI. *OFFICERS AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.*

Section 1: The management of the Association shall be vested in an Executive Committee consisting of ten (10) members.

Section 2: Three members of the Executive Committee will be elected at each annual meeting of the Association to serve a term of three years; provided that at the meeting at which these by-laws are adopted three members will be elected to serve one year, three will be elected to serve two years, and three will be elected to serve three years.

Section 3: The President of the affiliates (Michigan Society of Death Investigators) will serve on the executive committee and have voting rights.

Section 4: At the time of each annual meeting, the Executive Committee will elect its Chairman who will serve for one year. The Chairman will also act as the President of the Association and will designate a program chairperson for the next annual meeting.

Section 5: The Executive Committee will elect one of its members, or another member of the Association, to serve as Treasurer and membership chairperson. The Executive Committee will also elect one of its members as Secretary. The Treasurer shall keep the membership rolls, and the financial records of the Association. The Secretary shall keep the minutes and serve as the corresponding secretary. The secretary and the treasurer shall serve on year terms but may repeat in office if so elected by the Executive Committee. The treasurer shall give a report of the

financial status of the Association to the general membership at each annual meeting.

Section 6: The Executive committee will select one of its members, or another member of the Association, to serve as Editor of the Newsletter.

Section 7: The Executive Committee shall act as the credentials and the nomination committee.

Section 8: The President and the Secretary will serve as delegates to the to the House of Delegates of the Michigan State Medical Society. In the event that both are unable to fulfill this duty, an alternate will be appointed by the Executive Committee.

Section 9: No members of the Executive Committee may serve more than 3 consecutive 3-yr. terms.

ARTICLE VII. *COMMITTEES.* The President shall appoint such committees as may be advisable to conduct the affairs of the Association.

ARTICLE VIII. *MEETINGS.*

Section 1:

A. An Annual Fall meeting will be planned at such time and place as the Executive Committee shall direct, preferable during the month of September or October.

B. The annual meeting will consist of a program of professional and/or managerial topics presented by members or invited speakers.

C. The annual business meeting with elections, reports, discussions and actions on topics presented by the Executive Committee and by the general membership.

Section 2: After the general business meeting, the Executive Committee shall meet to select its officers and committees.

ARTICLE IX. *FINANCES.*

Section 1: Each year the annual dues will be established by recommendation of the Executive Committee and approval of the general membership.

Section 2: Expenditures will be approved by the Executive Committee and will include such items as meeting expense, communication with members, and distribution of the newsletter.

Amended
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October, 1993
October, 1994
September, 1996
October, 2001