

Proposal to create/amend ICAOS Bylaws:

Section 2. Ex-Officio Members

The Commission membership shall also include but are not limited to individuals who are not commissioners and who shall not have a vote, but who are members of interested organizations. Such non-commissioner members must include a representative of the National Governors Association, the National Conference of State Legislatures, the Conference of Chief Justices, the National Association of Attorneys General and the National Organization for Victim Assistance. In addition representatives of the National Institute of Corrections, the American Probation and Parole Association, Association of Paroling Authorities International, the Interstate Commission for Juveniles, the Association of Prosecuting Attorneys, the Conference of State Court Administrators, the National Sheriff's Association, the American Jail Association, the National Association of Police Organizations, National Association for Public Defense, National District Attorneys Association and the International Association of Chief of Police may be ex-officio members of the Commission.

Justification:

This amendment adds the National District Attorney Association (NDAA) as an ex-officio member. NDAA is a national association that provides training, technical assistance and services to prosecutors around the country. It is the oldest and largest association of prosecutors in the country with over 5,000 members, their mission is to be the voice of America's prosecutors and to support their efforts to protect the rights and safety of the people by providing its members with the knowledge, skills, and support they need to ensure justice is attained.

ICAOS has collaborated with NDAA over the last year to deliver training, share information and collaborate on issues affecting both organizations. Inviting NDAA to become an Ex Officio formalizes our partnership and cooperative efforts.

Executive Committee action:

Executive Committee January 2021: Motion to amend the ICAOS Bylaws to include the National District Attorneys Association (NDAA) as an ex-officio member of the Commission made by Commissioner G. Roberge (CT), seconded by Commissioner C. Moore (GA). Motion carried.

Effective date:

September 29, 2021