

HILARIAN EDITORIAL POLICY

1—Objects

- 1) To regulate the publication of content by the Hilarian.
- 2) To regulate the powers and duties of the magazine editors.
- 3) To limit risk to the Society while protecting the editorial freedom of magazine editors.

2—Definitions

content means any written or graphic material, in published or unpublished form, including but not limited to, articles, artwork, poetry, prose, social media posts;

Director of Communications means the Director of Communications of the AULSS;

Hilarian means the Hilarian magazine published by the AULSS;

magazine edition means, in published or unpublished form, a hard copy print edition of the Hilarian magazine or an online version of that print edition;

magazine editor means an individual editor of the Hilarian magazine;

magazine editors means the editors of the Hilarian magazine jointly;

media platform or medium means any service, site, or method that delivers media to an audience including but not limited to radio, social media, television, or any written publication; and

online content means content published, or prepared for publication, online using an online media platform or medium.

3—Interpretation

Interpretation of this policy is within the jurisdiction of the Executive.

4—Publication of print content

- 1) At least 72 hours prior to sending the magazine edition to be printed, the magazine editors shall submit an online copy of the magazine edition to the Director of Communications for review.
- 2) If the Director of Communications reasonably believes that that any substantive element of the magazine edition may be defamatory, breach the AULSS Constitution or any AULSS policies, or is inconsistent with magazine publishing guidelines, they may direct the magazine editors to remove or amend the relevant aspects prior to publication.
- 3) The Director of Communications may approve the copy in writing prior to the conclusion of the 72 hour period, but any failure to provide either a written approval, or a written direction to amend the publication, shall be deemed to be written approval.
- 4) The magazine editors shall inform the Director of Communications of the approximate period in which the review of the magazine edition will be required.

5—Publication of online content

- 1) A magazine editor or the magazine editors, may publish online content from time to time.
- 2) If either the Director of Communications or the President believes that any Hilarian online content or part of Hilarian online content may be defamatory, breach the AULSS Constitution or any AULSS policies, or is inconsistent with magazine publishing guidelines, they may remove the online content, or direct the magazine editors to remove it.

6—Guidelines for publication

- 1) Magazine editors shall:
 - a) act in accordance with the AULSS Constitution, AULSS policies, magazine publishing guidelines, directions from the Director of Communications or the President, and any applicable legislation; and
 - b) ensure that the Hilarian is reasonably reflective of a wide range of views within the Law School, not just those of the magazine editors themselves.
- 2) Unless sanctioned by this Policy, the Society shall not interfere with any editorial decisions made by the magazine editors.
- 3) Nothing in this Policy shall prevent the Director of Communications from seeking advice from the Executive, or any member or members of the Executive, regarding the appropriateness of any Hilarian content.
- 4) The Director of Communications shall have the power to create, and subsequently vary, magazine publishing guidelines to regulate the appropriateness of content produced for the Hilarian.
- 5) The Director of Communications must notify all magazine editors of any new or varied guidelines that they have made as soon as reasonably practicable after making them.

7—Delegation

If the Director of Communications is unable to perform a review of a magazine edition or online content, they may delegate their powers in this Policy to another member of the Executive.