

NATIONAL BLACK LAW STUDENTS ASSOCIATION

DELEGATE AND PROXY POLICY

OVERVIEW

Each chapter is responsible for ensuring that they are represented at Convention during Plenary. Therefore, chapters must assign voting rights to a qualified delegate or certify a proxy. To help facilitate the certification process, the [NBLSA Delegate Form](#) should be sent to the Director of Membership and appropriate parliamentarian at least thirty (30) days prior to Plenary. Otherwise, chapters must request an extension.

DELEGATES

A qualified delegate is a financially active member of NBLSA assigned to represent your chapter during Plenary at Convention. Chapter delegates must be certified by the NBLSA Director of Membership.

Active law school chapter may send no more than two (2) delegates and one (1) alternate delegate to represent the chapter.

PROXIES

An active chapter unable to attend Plenary may assign, by proxy, its voting power on policy, procedural, and electoral matters to an attending chapter, provided the following requirements are met of both the chapter receiving and the chapter assigning the proxy:

1. The chapters must be active chapters of NBLSA located within the same Region;
2. The chapter assigning the voting power by proxy must complete this form; and
3. The chapter receiving the proxy must, itself, have voting delegates registered for Convention and physically attend Plenary.

The chapter receiving and exercising the voting power by proxy shall follow all voting instructions provided by the assigning chapter. In the absence of instructions, the receiving chapter must vote in a manner reasonably construed to be in the best interest of the assigning chapter.

SUMMARY

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