BY-LAWS

EQUINE LAW SECTION

KENTUCKY BAR ASSOCIATION

<u>ARTICLE I</u>

Section 1. <u>NAME</u>. The organization shall be known as the Equine Law Section (the "Section") of the Kentucky Bar Association (the "Association").

Section 2. <u>PURPOSE</u>. The purpose of the Section shall be as follows:

A. To promote the exchange of ideas within the Association regarding Equine Law matters.

B. To provide information relevant to Equine Law through the Association-sponsored programs.

C. To assist attorneys in discharging their professional responsibilities to their clients in Equine Law matters.

D. To enhance the image of the legal profession.

E. To recommend new procedures and statutes which will improve Equine Law practice in Kentucky.

ARTICLE 2

Section 1. <u>MEMBERSHIP</u>. All members of the Kentucky Bar Association shall be eligible for membership in the Section. A membership fee shall be assessed annually to those members of the Association who wish to become members of the Section. This fee shall be established by the Executive Committee subject to approval by a majority vote of the Section members present at the Annual Meeting. Dues shall be due and payable with the annual Association dues.

Section 2. <u>VOTING</u>. Only dues-paying members of the Section shall be qualified electors and eligible to vote and hold office in the Section. Unless otherwise provided in these Bylaws, any and all official actions taken by the Section at the Annual Meeting shall be by a majority vote of those members present and voting.

ARTICLE 3

Section 1. THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

A. The Board of Directors of the Section shall consist of the Officers of the Section and three to five (3-5) other members of the Section which shall be appointed annually by the Chair, with the advice and consent of the Executive Committee. Directors appointed by the Chair shall serve until the next Annual Meeting of the Section.

B. The Board of Directors shall set policies for the Section.

Section 2. OFFICERS.

A. The Officers of the Section shall be a Chair, a Chair-Elect, a Vice Chair, a Secretary, the immediate past Chair, and the Editor of the Newsletter. Except as otherwise provided herein, they shall be elected as provided in Article 5, Section 1.

B. Unless otherwise provided herein, an officer shall serve for a term of one (1) year or until the next Annual Meeting. Except as provided herein, in the event an officer is unable or unwilling to serve, the Chair shall appoint,

subject to approval of the Executive Committee, an officer to serve until election at the next Annual Meeting.

C. The Officers shall implement policies set by the Board of Directors.

D. The Officers of the Section will comprise the Executive Committee.

Section 3. <u>STANDING COMMITTEES</u>. The standing committees shall be as enumerated herein. They shall be advisory to the Chair and the Executive Committee and, in addition to such duties as directed by the Chair or the Executive Committee, shall have duties as follows:

A. <u>NOMINATING COMMITTEE</u>. The initial Nominating Committee shall be named by the Chair. One member of the Nominating Committee shall be elected each year by the membership at the Annual Meeting. The Nominating Committee shall consist of four (4) members of the Section and shall include the Chair of the Section, the Chair of the Legislation Committee and the Editor of the Newsletter. The Nominating Committee shall receive and consider suggestions of persons to serve as Vice Chair and Secretary. The Nominating Committee shall report a slate of nominees to the Section for election at the Annual Meeting of the Section. The Nominating Committee may nominate more than one person for each office.

B. <u>LEGISLATION COMMITTEE</u>. The Legislation Committee shall study the Statues of the Commonwealth and develop proposals for the improvement thereof in all matters relating to equine law, both substantive and

procedural. The Committees shall advise the Chair and the Executive Committee on such changes, together with any recommendation which the Committee shall desire to make, consistent with the Kentucky Bar Association Legislative Policy and Procedure and Kentucky Supreme Court Rule(s). The Committee shall consist of no less than two (2) nor more than ten (10) members. Each member shall serve for a term of two (2) years or until his or her successor shall be appointed, whichever first occurs. Thereafter, the Chair of the Section shall appoint the Chair of the Committee who will then appoint the other members of the Committee.

C. <u>CONTINUING LEGAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE</u>. The Continuing Legal Education Committee shall be in charge of the planning and presentation of Continuing Legal Education (CLE) programs relating to Equine Law. The Committee shall be appointed by the Executive Committee and serve at its pleasure.

D. <u>NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE</u>. The Newsletter Committee shall be in charge of the planning, contents and distribution of the Section newsletter, including the frequency of its publication. The Committee shall consist of three (3) members: an Editor, Assistant Editor and one (1) other member. The Editor shall be appointed by the Chair of the Section. The Editor shall name the other two (2) members of the Committee. The initial Editor shall serve a term of two (2) years. Thereafter, the office of Editor shall be for a term of one (1) year but may be reappointed by the Chair.

Section 4. <u>SPECIAL COMMITTEES.</u> The Chair shall, with the approval of the Executive Committee, create such special committees as he or she deems necessary.

ARTICLE 4

INDIVIDUAL DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS

Section 1. <u>CHAIR</u>. The Chair of the Section shall serve as the chief executive officer of the Section and preside at all meetings of the Section and of the Executive Committee. The Chair shall present at each Annual Meeting of the Association a report of the Section for the prior year and shall oversee the program(s) of the Section.

Section 2. <u>CHAIR-ELECT</u>. The Chair-Elect shall serve as assistant to the Chair and shall perform the duties assigned to him or her by the Chair and the Section. The Chair-Elect shall endeavor to become thoroughly familiar with the duties of the Chair, programs and the activities of the Section. The Chair-Elect shall perform the duties of the Chair during the absence or disability of the Chair. Upon expiration of his or her term as Chair-Elect, the Chair-Elect shall succeed to the office of Chair for a term of one (1) year, beginning with the adjournment of the annual meeting of the membership of which he or she assumes the office and ending with the adjournment of the annual meeting of membership thereafter.

Section 3. <u>VICE-CHAIR</u>. The Vice-Chair shall serve as assistant to the Chair and Chair-Elect, and shall perform the duties assigned to him or her by the Chair of the Section. The Vice-Chair shall endeavor to become thoroughly

familiar with the duties of the Chair, Chair-Elect, programs and activities of the Section. The Vice-Chair shall perform the duties of the Chair during the absence or disability of both the Chair and Chair-Elect. Upon expiration of his or her term as Vice-Chair, the Vice-Chair shall succeed to the office of the Chair-Elect for a term of one (1) year, beginning with the adjournment of the annual meeting of the membership of which he or she assumes the office and ending with the adjournment of the annual meeting of membership thereafter.

Section 4. <u>SECRETARY</u>. The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of the Section and Minutes of each meeting; keep a correct roll of membership of the Section; notify members of the Section of meetings, whether special, regular, or Annual, of the Section; and shall perform the duties assigned to him or her by the Chair or the Section.

ARTICLE 5

ELECTIONS

Section 1. <u>ANNUAL MEETING NOMINATIONS</u>. Except as specifically provided otherwise, the officers of the Section shall be elected at the Annual Meeting by a majority vote of those members present and voting. Nominations shall be received from the Nominating Committee and from the floor of the Annual Meeting.

Section 2. <u>INITIAL OFFICERS</u>. The initial officers shall be elected at the first Annual Meeting following organization of the Section and shall serve until the next Annual Meeting.

ARTICLE 6

Section 1. <u>ANNUAL MEETINGS</u>. Annual Meetings of the Equine Section shall be held as part of the Association's Annual Convention. All Section programs and times and places of all meetings shall be approved by the Board of Governors of the Association.

Section 2. <u>SPECIAL MEETINGS</u>. Special Meetings of the Section may be called by the Chair, by a majority of the officers or board of directors or by the Vice-Chair upon written request of the Vice-Chair of not less than ten percent (10%) of the paid members of the Section and upon approval of the Board of Governors of the Association. The times and places of the Special Meetings shall be announced at least ten (10) days in advance by notice to the membership via first-class mail.

Section 3. <u>EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS</u>. The meetings of the Executive Committee shall be called by the Chair or upon written request to the Vice-Chair of not less than three (3) voting members of the Executive Committee. A quorum for meetings of the Executive Committee shall consist of three (3) committee members. The times and places of the meetings of the Executive Committee shall be announced at least five (5) days in advance by notice sent via first-class mail to the Executive Committee members stating the nature of the business to be discussed. Provided, however, that five (5) days notice shall not be required if all Executive Committee members shall execute a waiver of notice of said meeting and attach all such waivers to the minutes of that meeting. Meetings may be held by telephonic conference.

Section 4. <u>BOARD OF DIRECTOR MEETINGS</u>. The Board of Directors must meet at least semi-annually and as often as otherwise required. The meetings of the Board of Directors shall be called by the Chair or upon written request to the Vice-Chair or not less than three (3) members of the Board of Directors. A quorum for meetings of the Board of Directors shall consist of a majority of Board of Directors. The times and places of meetings of the Board of Directors shall be announced at least five (5) days in advance by notice sent via first-class mail to the Board of Directors, stating the nature of the business to be discussed. Provided, however, that five (5) days notice shall not be required if all board members shall execute a waiver of notice of said meeting and attach all such waivers to the Minutes of the meeting. Meeting may be held by telephonic conference.

Section 5. <u>COMBINED EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND BOARD OF</u> <u>DIRECTORS MEETINGS</u>. Meeting of the Executive Committee and Board of Directors may be combined at the direction of the Chair.

ARTICLE 7

AMENDMENTS

These By-laws may be amended at any Annual Meeting of the Section membership by a two-third (2/3) vote of the members of the Section in attendance and voting, provided that notice of the substance of the proposed amendment(s) shall either have been published with notice of the meeting in the Kentucky Bench and Bar or mailed to all members of the Section with notice of the meeting via first-class mail at least ten (10) days prior to the meeting.

ADOPTED: June 18, 1993, effective June 18, 1993.

ATTEST:

Ann D. Sturgill, Chairperson

Equine Law Section

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President,

Kentucky Bar Association

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Secretary, Board of Governors

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