



# Kentucky Dental Laboratory Association

## CONSTITUTION

### ARTICLE I – NAME

This organization shall be called the Kentucky Dental Laboratory Association and shall be a non-profit organization as chartered in 1952.

### ARTICLE II – PURPOSES

The purposes of this Association shall be: to establish cooperation among its members; to uphold the dignity, honor, and efficiency of commercial dental laboratory owners, operators, and others engaged in the practice of dental technology; to advance their standards of service through the profession of dentistry. It is proposed to accomplish this in the ways hereinafter set forth:

- (A) By promoting the economic values and social interests of dental laboratory owners, operators, and technicians, by promoting high standards of integrity, honor, and courtesy in their relations among each other and with the members of the dental profession and all allied branches of dentistry and dental technology by disseminating technical knowledge and information among its members and rendering aid in the development of their art and craftsmanship, and by assisting its members in the solution of their business and technical problems.
- (B) By encouraging strict adherence and compliance with all laws relating to dentistry and dental technology and assisting in the adoption of new laws whenever they appear necessary to promote the best interests of the public health and welfare.
- (C) By assisting its members in the interpretation of and compliance with all governmental degrees, orders, rules, and regulations applicable to the field of dental technology.
- (D) By establishing a common meeting ground for commercial dental laboratory owners, operators, technicians, and others actively engaged in dental prosthetic art, technology, and science.
- (E) By being a component of the National Association of Dental Laboratories and subscribing to its principles and ethics, standards, and education.

### ARTICLE III – MEMBERSHIP

- (A) This shall be an organization of commercial dental laboratories engaged in the ethical practice of dental technology, but may provide in the By-Laws for inclusion of additional membership classifications.
- (B) Rules of eligibility, application requirements, and membership obligations shall be set forth in the By-Laws.
- (C) Only members in good standing as defined in the By-Laws shall be entitled to vote, to hold office, or otherwise to enjoy the privileges of the Association.

### ARTICLE IV – OFFICERS

- (A) Elective officers of this Association shall be the President, President-Elect, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. They shall be elected according to procedures as set forth in the By-Laws.
- (B) Non-Elective positions shall include, but not be limited to an Executive Secretary and/or Communication Director which may be selected by the Executive Committee and approved by the membership.

### ARTICLE V – MEETINGS

- (A) This Association, through procedures provided in the By-Laws, shall hold at least two (2) regular membership meetings each year.
- (B) Special meetings of the membership and/or the Executive Committee may be called. Due to widespread membership throughout the state, meetings using modern electronics media may also be called. All meetings will be conducted in accordance with procedures as set forth in the by-laws.

### ARTICLE VI – AMENDMENTS

- (A) The Constitution and/or By-Laws may be amended, altered, suspended, or annulled by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the membership voting at any membership meeting, provided that such proposed changes shall have been submitted in writing to the membership not less than thirty (30) days prior to the next membership meeting at which time such proposed changes shall be discussed and acted upon. Any proposed changes adopted shall become effective immediately.