

**FIRST DISTRICT APPELLATE AMERICAN INN OF COURT
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA**

EMERITUS, HONORARY, AND ALUMNI MEMBERSHIP POLICIES

In addition to the three categories of active membership (Masters, Barristers, and Pupils), the Inn recognizes three categories of less-active membership: Emeritus, Honorary, and Alumni members. Emeritus and Honorary Members are respectively defined in the Bylaws of the First District Appellate American Inn Of Court (the “Bylaws”), as follows:

Emeritus Members. Pursuant to Bylaws Article III, Sections 2.a. and 2.b., members who have served as active Masters of the Bench (Benchers) for at least five (5) years may request Emeritus status. Membership as Emeritus Masters of the Bench, or “Emeritus Benchers,” may be conferred upon Active Benchers by two-thirds’ affirmative vote of the Active Benchers of the Inn in attendance at a meeting called for that purpose. The vote shall be by secret ballot. Such membership status may be granted on the basis of long and distinguished service to the Inn. Emeritus Benchers shall be under no obligation to pay dues, attend meetings or participate in other programs of the Inn, but will enjoy all privileges of Active membership except the right to vote. Emeritus Benchers will retain such membership status for life if they so desire. Any person who has been granted Emeritus status as a Bencher may be reinvited to serve again in an Active capacity.

Honorary Members. Pursuant to Bylaws Article III, Section 2.e., Honorary Members may be elected from time to time upon nomination by the Executive Committee and upon a two-thirds vote of the Benchers in attendance at a meeting called for that purpose. Election shall be by secret ballot. Consideration for selection is to be based upon distinguished service to the bench or bar, furtherance of Inns of Court objectives, or other noteworthy achievements. Honorary members shall be under no obligation to pay dues, attend meetings or participate in other programs of the Inn, but will have all the privileges of membership except the right to vote.

Alumni Members. In addition, the Inn recognizes a third category of membership for Alumni Members. Alumni members are members who have participated in the Inn as active members, but who elect to discontinue their memberships, are in good standing at the time of such election, and who notify the Inn through one of its officers that they wish to assume Alumni status. Alumni members shall not be assigned to a pupillage team, shall have no obligation to attend meetings or participate in other programs of the Inn, and shall not have the right to vote. Alumni members who wish to attend monthly program meetings of the Inn, without being subject to a mandatory attendance requirement, shall pay dues in the amount of 75% of the normal active dues rate for their membership category (Attending Alumni Members). Former members who do not desire the right to attend meetings (for instance, those who move out of the area) (Non-Attending Alumni Members), will be noted as alumni in the Inn's membership records and may be included in Inn communications and events at the discretion of the Board.

After the last program of each Inn year, the President will solicit from all of that year's members a decision regarding whether they will continue as active members, or will seek Emeritus or Alumni status; and, if members wish to become alumni, whether they select Attending or Non-Attending Alumni status. The President may include Alumni members in communications about general activities and news events concerning the Inn, and may invite Alumni members to re-join the Inn subject to the requirements of active membership. Active members shall be encouraged to maintain communications and relationships with Alumni members for the purpose of disseminating information about Inn activities and to encourage ongoing professional relationships.