Program Integrity Regulations

U.S. Department of Education

On October 29, 2010, the U.S. Department of Education published in the <u>Federal Register</u> final regulations on program integrity issues (75 FR 66946-66975). These regulations require educational institutions like Southwestern to make certain information available, upon request, regarding accreditation and licensing.

CORPORATE INFORMATION

Southwestern is established by name in the State of California as a Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation for the purpose of conducting and maintaining an educational institution offering legal instruction.

See page 3 for Articles of Incorporation

ACCREDITATION INFORMATION

Southwestern is an ABA-accredited law school.

See page 6 for ABA Letter

Southwestern is accredited by the Committee of Bar Examiners of The State of California.

See page 7 for State Bar Letter

STATE ADMINISTRATIVE OVERSIGHT INFORMATION

Southwestern is exempt from direct state administrative oversight under jurisdiction of the Bureau for Private Postsecondary Education (BPPE) and is not subject to requirements under the Private Postsecondary Education Act pursuant to section 94874(g) of the Act. That section exempts:

A law school that is accredited by the Council of the Section of Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar of the American Bar Association or a law school or law study program that is subject to the approval, regulation, and oversight of the Committee of Bar Examiners, pursuant to Sections 6046.7 and 6060.7 of the Business and Professions Code.

CONTACT INFORMATION FOR FILING COMPLAINTS

The regulations also require educational institutions to provide contact information for filing complaints with accreditors and with State approval or licensing entities. That contact information is as follows:

1) Complaints regarding California businesses can be directed to:

The California Department of Justice, Office of the Attorney General Attorney General's Public Inquiry Unit

There is an online complaint form accessed at: http://ag.ca.gov/consumers/general.php

Mailing address:	Attorney General's Office
	Public Inquiry Unit
	P.O. Box 944255
	Sacramento, CA 94244-2550

2) Complaints regarding accreditation matters can be directed to:

The American Bar Association

There is a website location that provides information regarding complaints against law schools that can be accessed at: http://www.americanbar.org/groups/legal_education/resources/accreditation/complaint_proceedures.html

Mailing address: Office of the Consultant on Legal Education American Bar Association 321 N. Clark Street 21st Floor Chicago, IL 60654

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Certificate of Restated Articles of Incorporation

ENDORSED - FILED in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of California

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Southwestern University

We, the undersigned corporate officers, certify as follows:

1. We are the Chief Executive Officer and Secretary, respectively, of Southwestern University.

2. The name of the corporation has been Southwestern University. Through this amendment and restatement of the Articles of Incorporation, the corporation hereby is changing the name of the corporation to Southwestern Law School, in addition to making other amendments.

3. The address of the corporation has been 675 South Westmoreland Avenue, Los Angeles, California 90005. Through this amendment and restatement of the Articles of Incorporation, the corporation hereby is changing the address of the corporation to 3050 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, California 90010. This change in address reflects a change only in the designation of the corporation's location, and not any change in the corporation's physical location.

4. Pursuant to Section 5819(a) of the *Corporations Code*, the Articles of Incorporation of this corporation are amended and restated to read in full as follows:

ONE: The name of this corporation is SOUTHWESTERN LAW SCHOOL.

TWO: This corporation is a nonprofit public benefit corporation and is not organized for the private gain of any person. It is organized under the California Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Law for educational, public, and charitable purposes. Among these purposes are the conducting and maintaining of an educational institution offering courses of instruction in the law and related subjects, and other purposes in support of the primary purpose of legal education. This corporation elects to be governed by all of the provisions of the Nonprofit Corporation Law of 1980 not otherwise applicable to it under Part 5.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any

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activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law), or (b) by a corporation contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law).

THREE: Subject to any limitations contained in the articles or bylaws of this corporation, and in compliance with other provisions of the California Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Law and any other applicable laws, this corporation, in carrying out its activities, shall have all of the powers of a natural person.

FOUR: The income and property of this corporation is irrevocably dedicated to purposes set forth in Article Two above, and no part of the net income or assets of this organization shall ever inure to the benefit of any director, trustee, or officer of this corporation, or to the benefit of any private individual.

FIVE: Upon the winding up and dissolution of this corporation, and after paying or adequately providing for the debts and obligations of the corporation, the remaining assets shall be distributed to a nonprofit fund, foundation, or corporation that is organized and operated exclusively for public or charitable purposes and that has established its taxexempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, and no part of the net earnings of which inure to any private individual, and which does not as a substantial part of its activities carry on propaganda or otherwise attempt to influence legislation.

SIX: This corporation shall not have members as such, but the persons constituting its Board of Trustees shall, for the purpose of any statutory provision or rule of law relating to nonprofit

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corporations, exercise all rights and powers vested in members by such statutory provision or rule of law.

(a) The net income and other property SEVEN: of the corporation shall be paid or distributed for the purpose specified in Article Two at such times and in such amounts as a majority of the Trustees then serving may determine.

(b) The corporation shall not make accumulations of its income which are unreasonable in amount or duration in order to carry out its purposes as set forth in Article Two.

No substantial part of the activities EIGHT: of this corporation shall consist of the carrying on of propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, nor shall this corporation participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distributing of statements), any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for political office.

The foregoing amendment and restatement of the Articles of Incorporation 5. have been duly approved by the Board of Trustees of the corporation.

6. The corporation has no members.

Pursuant to Section 5819(c) of the Corporations Code, these Restated 7. Articles of Incorporation supersede for all purposes the corporation's original Articles of Incorporation and all subsequent amendments.

We further declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the matters set forth in this Certificate are true and correct to the best of our knowledge.

Date: March **30**, 2007

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Chief Executive Officer

Date: March <u>30</u>, 2007

Jamis K. Yokoyama

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Dean Bryant G. Garth Southwestern Law School 3050 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles, CA 90010

Dear Dean Garth:

This letter will certify that Southwestern Law School is a law school fully approved by the American Bar Association, and is on the list of ABA approved law schools. Southwestern Law School received approval from the American Bar Association in 1970, and it has been continuously approved since that time. As you know, the American Bar Association is recognized by the Department of Education as the official accrediting agency for professional schools of law.

Sincerely,

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Hulett H. Askew Consultant on Legal Education to the American Bar Association

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October 23, 2006

Dean Bryant G. Garth Southwestern Law School 3050 Wilshire Boulevard Los Angeles, CA 90010-1106

Dear Dean Garth:

This letter is in response to your office's request for written confirmation that the Committee of Bar Examiners of The State Bar of California (Committee) considers Southwestern Law School accredited.

In accordance with Rule One, Section 1.06 of the *Rules Regulating Accreditation of Law Schools in California*, law schools approved by the American Bar Association (ABA) are deemed accredited by the Committee. Since Southwestern Law School is approved by the ABA, it is considered accredited by the Committee. Southwestern Law School's students who have met the pre-legal requirements for admission, passed or established exemption from the First-Year Law Students' Examination, who have completed three years of full-time or four years of part-time law study, and who have graduated are considered qualified to take the California Bar Examination.

If there is anything further that I might be able to assist you with, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Cordially,

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Gayle E/Murphy Senior Executive, Admissions

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