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THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF RADIOLOGY

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Glossary

ABR: American Board of Radiology

ABNM: American Board of Nuclear Medicine

ACR: The American College of Radiology

ACRA: The American College of Radiology Association

AOA: American Osteopathic Association

AOBR: American Osteopathic Board of Radiology

ARRS: American Roentgen Ray Society

ARS: American Radium Society

ASTRO: American Society for Radiation Oncology

Association: American College of Radiology
Association

BFC: Budget and Finance Committee

BNC: Board Nominating Committee

BOC: Board of Chancellors

BOD: Board of Directors

CEO: Chief Executive Officer

CMQ: College des medecins du Quebec

CNC: College Nominating Committee

College: The American College of Radiology

CSC: Council Steering Committee

JACR: Journal of the American College of Radiology

LCME: Liaison Committee on Medical Education

MIT: Members- in-Training

RFS: Resident and Fellow Section

Royal College: Royal College of Physicians and
Surgeons of Canada

RSNA: Radiological Society of North America

YPS: Young and Early Career Professional Section

THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF RADIOLOGY

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1 **ARTICLE I – Name and Purpose**

2 **Section 1**

3 *Name*

4 The name of this corporation will be The American College of Radiology (ACR), hereafter
5 sometimes referred to as the “College”. The College is affiliated with The American College
6 of Radiology Association (ACRA), hereafter referred to as the “Association”.

8 **Section 2**

9 *Purpose*

10 The purposes of the corporation are to advance the science of Radiology (diagnostic
11 radiology, radiation oncology, interventional radiology, nuclear medicine, and medical
12 physics); to improve radiologic service, safety, and care for the patient; to study the
13 socioeconomic aspects of the practice of Radiology; and to encourage improved and
14 continuing education for radiologists and allied professional fields.

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16 Notwithstanding the foregoing or any other provision of these ACR Bylaws, no part of net
17 earnings of the College will inure to the benefit of or be distributable to its Members, Directors,
18 Officers, or other private persons, except that the College will be authorized and empowered
19 to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and
20 distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth above.

21 **ARTICLE II – Membership**

22 **Section 1**

23 *Classes of Membership*

24 Membership in this organization will be of eleven (11) classes: (1) Member, (2) Associate
25 Member, (3) Fellow, (4) Member in Training (MIT) (5) Allied Health, (6) Retired Member and
26 Fellow, (7) Fellow Emeritus, (8) Honorary Fellow, (9) International Member, (10) International
27 MIT, and (11) Electronic Access International Member. The College does not discriminate on
28 the basis of race, color, religion, gender, age, national origin, or sexual orientation in granting
29 or terminating Membership or in regard to any of the benefits of Membership.

30
31 **1. Members** - Physicians who have been certified in a radiological discipline, including
32 nuclear medicine, by the American Board of Radiology (ABR), the American
33 Osteopathic Board of Radiology (AOBR), the American Board of Nuclear Medicine
34 (ABNM), the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada (the Royal
35 College), or the College des Médecins du Quebec (CMQ) are eligible to become
36 Members of the College.

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38 Medical physicists who are certified or considered the equivalent of certified by the
39 ABR are eligible to become Members of the College.

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42 A Member will have the right to be appointed to Commissions, Committees, Task
43 Forces and Work Groups to hold elected office, and to be a Member of the Board
44 of Chancellors (BOC).
45

46 **2. Associate Members** - Physicians who are engaged in the practice of radiology,
47 including nuclear medicine, and who have completed an approved residency
48 program in radiology and are otherwise eligible for Membership in the College but
49 have not been certified by the ABR, the AOBR, the ABNM, the Royale College of
50 Physicians and Surgeons of Canada or the CMQ are eligible to become Associate
51 Members of the College.
52

53 Medical physicists who are engaged in the practice of medical physics and are
54 otherwise eligible for Membership in the College but who are not certified or
55 considered the equivalent of certified by the ABR are eligible to become Associate
56 Members of the College.
57

58 An Associate Member will have the right to be appointed to Commissions,
59 Committees, Task Forces and Work Groups but will not have the right to hold
60 elected office or to be a Member of the BOC.
61

62 **3. Fellows** - A Member in good standing of the College who has evidenced significant
63 accomplishments in service, research, or teaching may be elected a Fellow by the
64 BOC. Such election will be based on accomplishments in one (1) or more of the
65 following areas: (a) significant service to organized medicine, especially the
66 College, at a local, state, or national level; and/or (b) the accomplishment of
67 significant scientific or clinical research in the field of radiology or significant
68 contributions to its literature; and/or (c) the performance of outstanding service as
69 a teacher of radiology. Members eligible for election will have an outstanding
70 reputation among colleagues and the local community as a result of superior
71 service.
72

73 Eligibility for nomination to Fellowship is as follows:
74

75 a. An individual in the Member class will not be eligible for nomination to
76 Fellowship until the individual has completed ten (10) years as a Member of
77 the College and one of its local Chapters. A Member in good standing who
78 is serving in, or has previously served in, the active military service or public
79 health service within the last ten (10) years may be exempted from the
80 requirement that Members are eligible for Fellowship only after ten (10)
81 years of Chapter Membership.
82

83 b. An individual in the Associate Member class will not be eligible for
84 nomination to Fellowship until the individual has completed twenty (20)
85 years, as a Member of the College, and one of its local Chapters.
86

87 Members eligible for election will be nominated either by a Chapter of the College
88 of which the nominee is a Member or by any two (2) Fellows, one (1) of whom
89 should not be associated with the nominee in practice. All nominations will be
90 signed by two (2) Fellows of the College who will supply supporting letters. One
91 copy will be sent to the College Membership Department and another to the
92 Secretary of the Chapter of which the nominee is a Member. The Chapter will have
93 the right to veto any nomination by a negative vote of its Executive Committee. In
94 the event of veto, a written explanation will be provided to the Committee on
95 Fellowship Credentials. The BOC will not consider any nomination vetoed by the

96 said Executive Committee of the Chapter. Nominations for those Members who are
97 in the active military service, or in the public health service, and who are not
98 Members of a Chapter, will be submitted directly to the BOC. A Member who is
99 elected to be a Fellow will have the right to be appointed to Commissions,
100 Committees, Task Forces and Work Groups, to hold elected office, and to be a
101 Member of the BOC. An Associate Member who is elected to be a Fellow will have
102 the right to be appointed to Commissions, Committees, Task Forces and Work
103 Groups but will not have the right to hold elected office or to be a Member of the
104 BOC.

105
106 Recipients of the award must attend the convocation at the Annual Meeting of the
107 ACR following notice of the honor. Individuals who are unable to attend the first
108 convocation following approval for the award remain eligible by attendance at an
109 ACR meeting in either of the two succeeding years.

110
111 The College recognizes that a serious health condition or similar extraordinary life
112 event may prevent an otherwise qualified Member from meeting a requirement for
113 Fellowship. Therefore, the Committee on Fellowship Credentials may recommend
114 a waiver of one or more of the requirements for Fellowship based on the Member's
115 serious health condition or other extraordinary circumstances, and refer to the
116 Executive Committee for approval. In such circumstances, Fellowship may be
117 bestowed on an individual outside of a convocation, including posthumously for
118 Members who are recommended by the Committee and approved by the BOC.

119
120 International Members who previously practiced radiology in the United States or
121 Canada and who are certified by the ABR, AOBR, the Royal College, or the CMQ
122 are eligible for Fellowship provided appropriate endorsement of the nomination is
123 submitted. International Members who previously practiced medical physics in the
124 United States or Canada and are certified or considered the equivalent of certified
125 in medical physics or a related field by the ABR, the ABNM, or their Canadian
126 equivalents are also eligible for Fellowship provided appropriate endorsement of
127 the nomination is submitted.

128
129 **4. Member in Training (MIT)** - MIT will be those physicians who are in approved
130 radiology residencies or fellowships, medical students registered in a formal
131 educational program at a Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME) or
132 American Osteopathic Association (AOA) approved medical school, and medical
133 physicists who are registered in a formal educational program in medical physics.
134 MIT status will normally terminate within six (6) months following completion of the
135 period of training. Those individuals who go directly from an approved residency to
136 a fellowship program or from a medical educational program to an approved
137 radiology residency program may continue as MIT until completion of the fellowship
138 program. Within six (6) months after completion of training, the MIT will
139 automatically be considered for transition to Membership in the appropriate class
140 unless he or she affirmatively declines Membership.

141
142 A MIT will have the right to be appointed to Commissions, Committees, Task
143 Forces and Work Groups but, except as provided in [Article V](#), will not have the right
144 to hold elected office or to be a Member of the BOC.

145
146 **5. Allied Health Members** - Physicians not engaged in the practice of radiology, non-
147 physician medical professionals such as MRI scientists and radiologist assistants,
148 whose special qualifications are deemed valuable to the College and who are
149 approved for Membership by the Commission on Membership and

150 Communications and Chapter Programs are eligible to be Allied Health Members
151 of the College. Radiologist assistants must be certified by the American Registry of
152 Radiologic Technologists (ARRT) as a Registered Radiologist Assistant.

153
154 An Allied Health Member will have the right to be appointed to Commissions,
155 Committees, Task Forces and Work Groups but will not have the right to hold
156 elected office or to be a Member of the BOC.

157
158 **6. Retired Member and Fellow** - Retired Member or Fellow status may be granted
159 upon application of a Member or Fellow who has fully retired from professional
160 practice . A Retired Member or Fellow will be relieved from payment of dues, have
161 the right to be appointed to Commissions, Committees, Task Forces and Work
162 Groups and to serve in elected College office only during the first six years following
163 the date of retirement. Notwithstanding the above, retired Members are not eligible
164 to serve on the BOC.

165
166 **7. Fellows Emeriti** - Members who are fully retired may be eligible to be elected
167 Fellow Emeriti under extraordinary circumstances. They will be elected by the BOC
168 on the basis of (a) meritorious service in organized medicine, radiology, or
169 government service; or (b) substantial contributions to medical research, education,
170 or literature. Nominations for Fellow Emeritus may be made in writing to the BOC
171 by any Fellow and will set forth clearly the circumstances that make the candidate
172 eligible for Fellow Emeritus. Fellows Emeriti will have the right to serve in elected
173 office within the College and Commissions, Committees, Task Forces and Work
174 Groups only during the first six years following their retirement.

175
176 **8. Honorary Fellows** - Honorary Fellows will be those who by virtue of residence,
177 education, profession, or lack of board certification are ineligible for admission as
178 Members of the College in any category other than International Membership or
179 Allied Health Membership but whose standing or preeminent contributions to the
180 science or practice of radiology entitle them to honorary recognition. Criteria for
181 honorary fellowship and the nomination process are available at www.acr.org.

182
183 An Honorary Fellow may be appointed to Commissions, Committees, Task Forces
184 and Work Groups but may not hold elected office or be a Member of the BOC.

185
186 **9. International Members** - International Members will be those physicians and
187 medical physicists practicing the specialty of radiology, radiation oncology or
188 medical physics outside of the United States and Canada who are certified in
189 radiology or medical physics or who are eligible for such certifications, and are in
190 good ethical standing in their respective countries.

191
192 An International Member will have the right to be appointed to Commissions,
193 Committees, Task Forces and Work Groups, but will not have the right to hold
194 elected office or to be a Member of the BOC.

195
196 **10. International MIT** - International MIT will be those physicians and medical
197 physicists who occupy residencies or fellowships or who are registered in a formal
198 educational program in medical physics outside of the United States and Canada
199 and are in good ethical standing in their respective countries. International MIT
200 status will normally terminate within six (6) months following completion of the
201 period of training but may be considered for transition to Membership in the
202 appropriate class.

203

204 An International MIT will have the right to be appointed to Commissions,
205 Committees, Task Forces and Work Groups, but will not have the right to hold
206 elected office or to be a Member of the BOC.

207
208 **11. Electronic Access International Members** - Electronic Access International
209 Members will be those physicians and medical physicists who:

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211 a. practice the subspecialties of radiology, radiation oncology or medical
212 physics outside the United States and Canada, and
213 b. are certified in radiology, radiation oncology or medical physics are eligible
214 for such certifications, and
215 c. are in good ethical standing in their respective countries, and
216 d. wish only to receive electronic products of the College at Member rates.

217
218 Electronic Access International Members will not have the right to be appointed to
219 Commissions, Committees, Task Forces and Work Groups and will not have the
220 right to hold elected office or be a Member of the BOC.

221 **Section 2**

222 *Personal Qualifications*

223 Membership in the College is a privilege, not a right, and is contingent upon continuing
224 compliance with these ACR Bylaws. Members are expected to be of good moral character
225 and to adhere to the Code of Ethics set forth in these ACR Bylaws. Failure to comply with
226 these requirements may serve as a basis for denial or revocation of College Membership.

227
228 When, in relation to initial Membership or a request for reinstatement as a Member, an issue
229 is raised regarding legal, ethical, or professional misconduct, the matter will be forwarded to
230 the ACR Ethics Committee for its review and recommendation about qualifications for
231 Membership.

232
233 Except for those in active military service and The Public Health Service, Members of the
234 College in classes (1) Members, (2) Associate Members, (3) Fellows, and (5) Allied Health
235 Members will be, within no greater than twenty-four (24) months of completion of training,
236 Members of a Chapter of the College 1) where they conduct their principal practice, 2) where
237 they reside, or 3) located within 25 miles of either location. Any individual may have only one
238 (1) primary Chapter, but any Member who is an active Member of a Chapter of the College
239 may be an affiliate Member of a second Chapter.

240
241 Individuals who become Members of the College through membership in the Council of
242 Affiliated Regional Radiation Oncology Societies (CARROS) will also become Members of a
243 local Chapter of the College.

244
245 The BOC may at its discretion waive the requirement that such Members of the College must
246 be Members of a local Chapter if such Members or prospective Members have been refused
247 Membership in a Chapter or their Membership therein has been terminated, but they are
248 otherwise eligible for Membership in the College.

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250 Any request by such Member or prospective Member for such waiver will be in writing, will
251 set forth all of the facts upon which the request is based, and will be delivered to the Chair of
252 the BOC.

253 **Section 3**
254 *Dual Membership*
255 Pursuant to the bylaws of the Association, Members of the College in good standing are also
256 members of the same membership class or classes of the Association. Likewise, members
257 of the Association in good standing are also Members of the same Membership class or
258 classes of the College.

259 **Section 4**
260 *Resignation*
261 Any Member in good standing may submit a written resignation request to the College's
262 Membership Services department. Resignation requests will normally be approved;
263 however, the College may choose not to accept the resignation of a Member who is the
264 subject of a pending investigation or proceeding pursuant to [Article XI](#) of these ACR Bylaws.

265 **ARTICLE III – Chapters**

266 The BOC may from time to time charter Chapters of the College on such geographic or other
267 basis and upon such terms and conditions as the BOC may deem desirable. The BOC may
268 at its discretion revoke the charter of a Chapter at any time for cause.

269 **ARTICLE IV - Dues and Assessments**

270 **Section 1**
271 *Dues*
272 Admission to Membership and continuation of Membership will be contingent upon the
273 payment to the Association of such dues and assessments as may then be in force. Pursuant
274 to the bylaws of the Association, the Association will make contributions to the College out of
275 these dues and assessments as are reasonably necessary to meet the financial needs and
276 commitments of the College.
277

278 Dues and the payment date for each class of Membership will be as established by the
279 Council after giving consideration to recommendations from the BOC.

280 **Section 2**
281 *Assessments*
282 Assessments may be levied upon recommendations of the BOC and ratification by the
283 Council; provided that, if a recommendation of the BOC is to be considered at a meeting of
284 the Council, notice of such recommendation will be sent to each Councilor by mail, facsimile,
285 or electronic transmission at least thirty (30) calendar days prior to such meeting.

286 **Section 3**
287 *Penalty for Non-Payment*
288 If dues have not been paid by the deadline set forth in the annual dues invoice, notification
289 will be given by letter to the delinquent Member that if said dues are not paid within thirty (30)
290 days the Member's name will be stricken from the rolls of the College and the Association.
291 Such former Members will be eligible for automatic reinstatement upon payment of current
292 dues and a reinstatement fee and upon certification of Chapter Membership.
293

294 Any former Member seeking Membership after failing to pay dues for four (4) years or more
295 may obtain Membership only by applying as a new Member.

296 **Section 4**

297 *Waiver of Dues*

298 Any Member suffering serious financial hardship or long-term illness may request a waiver
299 of dues for that year. All such requests must be made in writing and directed to the
300 Association Board of Directors (BOD). All waivers of dues for financial hardship or illness are
301 at the discretion of the Association BOD and all Members making such requests will be
302 notified in writing of the decision reached. If difficulties in payment of dues persist more than
303 that calendar year, a written request must be submitted each subsequent year.

304
305 A Member who returns to full-time training in an approved fellowship of at least twelve (12)
306 months duration is eligible to request a waiver of dues for that year by submitting a written
307 request for waiver of dues and verification of enrollment in an approved fellowship program.
308 Such requests do not require approval of the Association BOD. Extension of the waiver of
309 dues for additional periods of fellowship training may be awarded only upon submission by
310 the Member of an additional written request for waiver of dues, along with verification of
311 enrollment in an approved fellowship program for an additional twelve (12) month period.

312 **ARTICLE V – Council and Councilors**

313 **Section 1**

314 *Duties*

315 The Council will, in accordance with the stated purposes of the College, establish official
316 actions and policies for the College.

317 **Section 2**

318 *Membership*

319 The Council will consist of a minimum of two (2) Councilors from each Chapter including the
320 District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and Canada. One (1) Councilor each will come from:

- 321 • the American Association of Physicists in Medicine,
- 322 • the American Association for Women in Radiology,
- 323 • the American College of Radiation Oncology,
- 324 • the American Osteopathic College of Radiology,
- 325 • the American Radium Society,
- 326 • the American Roentgen Ray Society,
- 327 • the American Society of Emergency Radiology,
- 328 • the American Society of Head and Neck Radiology,
- 329 • the American Society of Neuroradiology,
- 330 • the American Society for Radiation Oncology,
- 331 • the American Society of Spine Radiology,
- 332 • the Association of Program Directors in Radiology,
- 333 • the Association of University Radiologists,
- 334 • the Radiological Society of North America,
- 335 • the Society for Advanced Body Imaging,
- 336 • the Society for Pediatric Radiology,
- 337 • the Society of Abdominal Radiology,
- 338 • the Society of Breast Imaging,
- 339 • the Society of Interventional Radiology,
- 340 • the Society of NeuroInterventional Surgery,
- 341 • the Society of Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Imaging,
- 342 • the Society of Radiologists in Ultrasound,
- 343 • the Society of Skeletal Radiology,

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- the Society of Thoracic Radiology,
 - 345 • the United States Air Force,
 - 346 • the United States Army,
 - 347 • the United States Navy,
 - 348 • the United States Public Health Service,
 - 349 • the United States Veterans Administration, and
 - 350 • other organizations as determined by the Council based on College
 - 351 policy regarding representatives of radiological organizations in the
 - 352 Council.
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354 Additional Council representation will be afforded each Chapter in the United States or
355 Canada as determined by the Council. Two (2) adjoining states with a small number of voting
356 Members may have one (1) joint Councilor if their Memberships so desire. Each Councilor
357 and Alternate Councilor must be a Member. A MIT may be a Councilor or Alternate Councilor
358 representing the Resident and Fellow Section (RFS) of the College. As provided in the
359 Association's bylaws, the persons elected to serve on the Council of the College will also
360 serve on the Council of the Association.

361

362 Each Chapter will be entitled to elect one (1) Councilor for each one hundred (100) Members
363 of the College who are also Chapter Members; provided, however, that each Chapter will be
364 entitled to a minimum of two (2) Councilors. Chapter Membership rolls will be rounded up to
365 the nearest hundred to determine the appropriate number of Councilors for each Chapter.

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367 For example: 1–200 Members = 2 Councilors
368 201–300 Members = 3 Councilors
369 901–1000 Members = 10 Councilors

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371 Every three (3) years the number of Councilors to be elected by each Chapter will be
372 redetermined on the basis of the most recent available data on College Membership.

373

374 The RFS will be entitled to five (5) Councilors, and the Young and Early Career Professional
375 Section (YPS) will be entitled to two (2) Councilors on the Council.

376

377 No individual may serve concurrently as a Councilor for more than one (1) entity (i.e., Chapter
378 or society).

379

380 CARROS will be entitled to two (2) Councilors on the Council. Beyond this, unless specifically
381 authorized by the Council, CARROS will not automatically be entitled to any direct
382 representation on the Council. Further Councilor representation from CARROS will follow
383 guidelines established by the Council concerning at-large representation of radiation
384 oncologists under Section 8 of this Article.

385

386 Upon recommendation of the BOC and/or the Council Steering Committee (CSC), the
387 Council may vote to grant Official Observer status to a national organization that does not
388 meet the criteria for a formal seat on the Council but that has established a mutually beneficial
389 relationship with the ACR and has similar goals and concerns about radiology. Organizations
390 that are granted Official Observer status will be invited to send one (1) representative to
391 observe all actions of the Council. Official Observer representatives will have the right to
392 speak in Reference Committees and on the floor of the Council but will not have the right to
393 introduce business, make a motion, or vote.

394

395 Councilors from each state in the United States and from the District of Columbia, Puerto
396 Rico, and Canada will be elected on a basis that is satisfactory to the voting Members of the
397 respective Chapter of the College. Councilors from agencies of the United States government

398 will be selected by the principal executive officers of such agencies. Councilors from
399 subspecialty societies, the RFS, and the YPS will be elected or selected on a basis that is
400 satisfactory to the leadership of that entity. For each Councilor elected, the electing authority
401 will be requested to elect an Alternate Councilor. In addition, each Chapter of the College
402 should, at its discretion, elect or select a Young and Early Career Professional to serve as
403 an additional Alternate Councilor from the Chapter.

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405 The term of office of a Councilor will be three (3) years. Councilors will be eligible to succeed
406 themselves for one (1) additional three (3) year term but will not be eligible for re-election to
407 additional terms until a lapse of not less than one (1) year.

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409 The term of office of an Alternate Councilor is one (1) year. Alternate Councilors are eligible
410 to succeed themselves indefinitely.

411
412 A Councilor or Alternate Councilor will take office at the end of the ACR Annual Meeting.
413 Electing or selecting authorities may adjust the terms of office of their Councilors and
414 Alternate Councilors as necessary to align those terms with the provisions for taking office
415 above. Any additional time served pursuant to this adjustment provision will not count against
416 the term limit above.

417 **Section 3**

418 *Representation of MIT*

419 MIT may be organized in each Chapter in a single consolidated section. Each Chapter's
420 section for MIT may be invited by the Chapter to send one (1) or more delegates to attend
421 the Annual Meeting of the ACR Council.

422 **Section 4**

423 *Report to the Council*

424 The BOC will present to the Council at its Annual Meeting a full report covering the College
425 activities, including a financial report.

426 **Section 5**

427 *Duties of a Councilor*

428 The duties of Councilors will include attending and participating actively in the meetings of
429 their local radiological organization and of the College, familiarizing themselves with activities
430 and problems at the local and national level, acting as liaison between their local radiological
431 organization and the College, and interpreting each to the other, contributing to both groups'
432 ideas, guidance and advice, and stimulating preparation of resolutions of their local
433 radiological organization for presentation to the Council.

434 **Section 6**

435 *Duties of the Alternate Councilor*

436 Alternate Councilors will aid the Councilors in the performance of their duties and accompany
437 the Councilors to meetings of their local radiological organization and of the College. The
438 Alternate Councilor will act for the Councilor in the Councilor's absence or in the event of the
439 Councilor's inability to act.

440 **Section 7**

441 *Councilors-At-Large*

442 A Member of the College may be appointed by the Speaker of the Council to serve as a
443 Council Member for one (1) year as a Councilor-At-Large and will be eligible to be
444 reappointed for not more than two (2) additional one (1) year terms. At no time will the number
445 of Councilors-at-large exceed six (6), except as required by [Section 8](#) and [9 of this Article V](#).

446 **Section 8**

447 *Radiation Oncology and Medical Physics Representation*

448 The CSC each year will review the percent representation of medical physicists and radiation
449 oncologists on the Council.

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451 Whenever the percent representation of medical physicists and radiation oncologists on the
452 Council is not equal to or more than the percent of medical physicists and recognized full-
453 time radiation oncologists of the total College active Membership, the Speaker of the Council
454 will appoint medical physicists and radiation oncologists as Councilors-at-large sufficient to
455 bring the percent representation into balance. The Speaker of the Council will make
456 appointments from lists furnished by a Committee of the CARROS and the Chair of the
457 Commission on Medical Physics, which will attempt to take into account geographical
458 distribution of radiation oncologists and medical physicists on the Council.

459 **Section 9**

460 *Council Steering Committee (CSC)*

461 The CSC will consist of the Speaker of the Council, Vice Speaker of the Council, and at least
462 fifteen (15) but no more than twenty (20) additional Members of the Council. There will be
463 eight (8) Members elected by the Council. At each annual Council meeting, four (4) Members
464 will be elected from the candidates, who must have at least one (1) year remaining as
465 Councilors for the terms for which the candidates are nominated, to serve two (2) year terms.
466 The additional Members, at least seven (7) but no more than twelve (12), will be appointed
467 by the Speaker of the Council and approved by the Council and will include two (2) MIT and
468 one (1) additional Young and Early Career Professional . Elected Members of the CSC will
469 be eligible for renomination and re-election for a second and third two (2) year term.
470 Candidates with only one (1) year remaining as a Councilor who win election or re-election
471 will serve their final year as a Councilor-At-Large. The term of Membership of the appointed
472 Member will be one (1) year, subject to additional terms if re-appointed by the Speaker of the
473 Council. No Member, whether elected or appointed, may serve more than six (6) consecutive
474 years on the CSC without a lapse of at least one (1) year. Nominees for election to the CSC
475 will have attended at least one (1) previous Annual Meeting of the College as a Councilor,
476 Alternate Councilor, or Chapter officer. Geographic distribution will be maintained when
477 appointments are made to the CSC. To be eligible for appointment or reappointment to the
478 CSC, the individual must be a Member, Fellow, or RFS of the College.

479
480 Of the nominees, who must be Councilors for the terms for which the candidates are
481 nominated for the four (4) Council positions on the CSC, the Council will elect four (4) to
482 serve for the ensuing year. Each Councilor will cast up to four (4) votes, but no Councilor
483 may cast more than one (1) vote for any one (1) nominee. In the event that an elected position
484 on the CSC becomes vacant during the term, the Councilor who received the next largest
485 number of votes to those elected in the year when the vacating Councilor was elected will be
486 invited to fill the remainder of the vacating Councilor's term on the CSC. If that individual is
487 unable or unwilling to serve, the position will remain vacant until the next regularly scheduled
488 CSC election.

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490 If there is no contest for an office, the election may be by voice vote. Election to any contested
491 office will be by written or electronic ballot.

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493 The persons elected or appointed to serve on the CSC of the College will also serve on the
494 CSC of the Association.

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496 The CSC will meet at a convenient time and site before each scheduled meeting of the
497 Council in order to conduct business that may properly come before it. The Speaker of the
498 Council may call such other meetings of the CSC as deemed necessary.

499 The CSC will represent the Council between Council meetings and provide Council liaison
500 with the BOC, subspecialty societies represented in the ACR Council, and Chapters.
501 Duties of the CSC with regard to resolutions are delineated in [Article IX, Section 7](#).
502 Members of the CSC will serve as Members of the Commissions of the BOC upon
503 appointment by the Chair of the BOC.

504 **Section 10**

505 *Digest of Official Council Actions*

506 The Digest will contain all official actions and policies adopted by the Council for the
507 immediate past ten (10) years. All official actions and policies of the Council are effective for
508 only ten (10) years unless extended for an additional ten (10) year period by the Council by
509 affirmative vote of the majority of Members present at the Annual Meeting of the College.
510 Any resolution extending a Council policy for an additional ten (10) year period can include
511 proposed substantive and editorial modifications to the policy proposed for extension, subject
512 to approval by the Council. Actions and policies not extended by the Council by affirmative
513 majority vote beyond ten (10) years from their adoption are no longer official College policy
514 but are maintained by the College in a historical file. Notwithstanding the above, the language
515 of a policy resolution may specify an effective period of less than ten (10) years.

516 **ARTICLE VI – Board of Chancellors (BOC)**

517 **Section 1**

518 *Duties*

519 The BOC will employ its powers for the diligent promotion of the purposes of The College
520 and will have authority and jurisdiction to conduct its business and affairs in accordance with
521 applicable laws, its articles of incorporation, and these ACR Bylaws.
522

523 **Section 2**

524 *Membership*

525 The BOC will consist of a number of Chancellors, not to exceed thirty-four (34) Members who
526 will be the executive body of the College. As provided in the Association's bylaws, the
527 persons elected, appointed or selected to serve on the BOC will also serve on the
528 Association's BOD. To be eligible for Membership on the BOC, whether by appointment,
529 reappointment, election or re-election, the individual must be a Member or Fellow of the
530 College.
531

532 The Membership of the Board will be composed as follows:

- 533 a. Officers who are Members of the BOC include: 1) President, Vice President, and
534 Secretary/Treasurer of the ACR; 2) Chair and Vice Chair of the BOC and 3)
535 Speaker and Vice Speaker of the Council.
536
- 537 b. The College Nominating Committee (CNC) will propose two or more Members of
538 the YPS for election by the Council to a single BOC term of two (2) years.
539
- 540 c. One (1) Chancellor each may be selected from those proposed pursuant to
541 [Section 3 of this Article VI](#), by RSNA, ARRS, ARS, and ASTRO each to serve for
542 a term of three (3) years. One Chancellor may be selected as proposed by the
543 Canadian Association of Radiologists (CAR) to serve a single term of two (2)
544 years.
545
- 546 d. A maximum of nine (9) Chancellors may be appointed from the College
547 Membership by the Chair of the BOC, each for a term of one (1) year, as provided

548 in [Section 4 of this Article VI](#). An appointed Chancellor who is elected President
549 of the College or Vice President of the College will vacate the position as an
550 appointed Chancellor. An appointed Chancellor who is elected Secretary-
551 Treasurer of the College will continue as an appointed Chancellor and will,
552 therefore, occupy both positions.

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554 e. A number of Chancellors, not to exceed fifteen (15), will be elected by the Council
555 from the College Membership, each for a term of three (3) years. An elected
556 Chancellor who is elected President of the College or Vice President of the
557 College will vacate the position as an elected Chancellor. An elected Chancellor
558 who is elected Secretary-Treasurer of the College will continue as an elected
559 Chancellor and will, therefore, occupy both positions.

560
561 f. No individual may serve concurrently as a Councilor and as a Member of the BOC.
562 A Councilor will automatically relinquish his/her councillorship upon becoming a
563 Member of the BOC.

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565 Contested elections for positions on the BOC are not mandatory but are encouraged.
566 However, if there is more than one (1) nominee for an elected Chancellor position, and if that
567 elected position would fill a vacant specialty or operational Commission Chancellorship, then
568 the CNC will designate specific candidates for that particular specialty or operational
569 Commission Chancellorship.

570 **Section 3**

571 *Chancellors from RSNA, ARRS, ARS, ASTRO, and CAR*

572 The Chair of the BOC may invite RSNA, ARRS, ARS, and ASTRO through their governing
573 Boards each to propose at least three (3) Members from such organizations who are also
574 Members of the College. These names will be presented to the CNC which, with the
575 concurrence of Chair of the BOC, may select one (1) individual from each organization to
576 serve on the BOC or may request a society submit additional Members for consideration.
577 Should RSNA, ARRS, ARS, or ASTRO fail to propose individuals considered to be
578 acceptable Members for the Chancellorship allotted to it, such office will remain vacant until
579 such Members are proposed and selection is made by the CNC. At the end of such
580 Chancellor's first term, RSNA, ARRS, ARS, and ASTRO may propose the same individual
581 for a second three (3) year term on the BOC, subject to selection by the CNC as above. An
582 officer of CAR will be proposed by CAR and selected to serve a single two (2) year term as
583 a Chancellor.

584 **Section 4**

585 *Term of Office*

586 Appointed Chancellors and the Secretary-Treasurer of the College will be eligible to succeed
587 themselves for not more than five (5) additional one (1) year terms; selected or elected
588 Chancellors referred to in subparagraph (d) or (f) of [Section 2, Article VI](#), respectively will be
589 eligible to succeed themselves for one additional term of three (3) years. No elected,
590 selected, or appointed Chancellor will be eligible to serve more than six (6) consecutive years
591 as an elected Chancellor, a selected Chancellor, an appointed Chancellor, or any
592 combination of the three but will be eligible for election, selection or appointment to a
593 Chancellorship at the next or any succeeding annual election. Any individual appointed as a
594 Chancellor by the BOC to fill a vacancy pursuant to [Section 5 below](#) will be eligible for
595 election, selection, or appointment in his or her own right pursuant to [Section 2 above](#);
596 however, any subsequent term will expire at the end of that Chancellor's sixth (6) consecutive
597 year of service. Any portion of a year served by appointment of the BOC to fill a vacancy
598 pursuant to [Section 5](#) below will not be considered in determining this six (6) year period. Any
599 period served on the Board in a Member's capacity as Speaker and/or Vice Speaker of the

600 Council will not be considered in determining this six (6) year period. Any year or part of a
601 year served on the BOC while a YPS Member referenced in [Article VI, Section 2c](#) will not be
602 considered in determining this six (6) year period.

603
604 The Chancellorship of any Chancellor who is completing service as Chair or Vice Chair of
605 the BOC, or President of the College or Vice President of the College will terminate
606 concurrently with the expiration of that person's service in that office unless that person is
607 elected to another of these offices. Except for those Chancellorships selected pursuant to
608 [Article VI, Section 3](#), the vacancy will be filled by the BOC in the manner provided in [Section](#)
609 [5 of this Article VI](#). Vacancies of Chancellorships selected pursuant to [Section 3 of this Article](#)
610 [VI](#) will remain vacant until filled according to the procedure set forth in that section.

611
612 Notwithstanding anything in this [Article VI](#) to the contrary, (i) a Chancellor who has served
613 the maximum number of consecutive years as herein permitted and who is then elected
614 President of the College or Vice President of the College of the College may serve one (1)
615 additional year as Chancellor while serving in each of those offices; (ii) a Chancellor who is
616 elected Chair or Vice Chair of the BOC may serve continuously, without limitation, on the
617 BOC even though the normal term has expired for as long as the Chancellor has been
618 elected to these offices; and (iii) the council may declare any Chancellorship vacant by two-
619 thirds (2/3) majority vote at its Annual Meeting and the BOC will forthwith proceed to fill said
620 vacancy in the manner provided in [Section 5 of this Article VI](#).

621 **Section 5**

622 *Vacancies*

623 When a Chancellorship (other than a Chancellorship described in [Section 2\(d\) of this Article](#)
624 [VI](#)) will fall vacant by reason of death or resignation, or will be declared vacant by the BOC
625 by reason of physical or mental disability or by the Council for any reason at its Annual
626 Meeting, the Executive Committee may name a Member as a pro tem. At the next meeting
627 of the BOC, the name of the Member so appointed will be presented to the BOC for
628 confirmation.

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630 If the BOC fails to confirm the appointment, it will elect a Member to serve as Chancellor. In
631 either case, the Member thus chosen will serve for the unexpired portion of the term of the
632 Chancellor whose office is being filled.

633 **Section 6**

634 *Gold Medal and Distinguished Achievement Award*

635 At its discretion, the BOC may award annually up to three (3) Gold Medals and up to one (1)
636 Distinguished Achievement Award in recognition of distinguished and extraordinary service
637 to the College and the profession for which it stands. Criteria and nomination processes for
638 the Gold Medal Award(s) and Distinguished Achievement Award are available www.acr.org.

639 **ARTICLE VII – Officers**

640 **Section 1**

641 *Officers*

642 The officers will be a President of the College, Vice President of the College, Secretary-
643 Treasurer of the College, Chair, and Vice Chair of the BOC, and the Speaker and Vice
644 Speaker of the Council. The Speaker and Vice Speaker of the Council will have served a
645 minimum of two (2) years on the present or on a former CSC prior to election. To be eligible
646 for election or re-election as an officer, the individual must be a Member or Fellow as specified
647 in [Article II, Section 1](#). As provided in the Association's bylaws, persons elected to serve as
648 the officers of the College will also serve as the officers of the Association, and each officer

649 of the College will have the same duties and responsibilities, with respect to the College, as
650 such officer has with respect to the Association.

651 **Section 2**

652 *President of the College*

653 The President of the College will be a Member of the BOC, a Member of the Executive
654 Committee of the BOC, and a non-voting Member of all Commissions, Committees, and Task
655 Forces (except the CNC, CSC, and Judiciary Committee). The President of the College will
656 deliver a Presidential address at the Annual Meeting and will perform such other duties as
657 may be prescribed from time to time by the BOC or the Executive Committee of the Board.
658 As provided in the Association's bylaws, the person elected to serve as President of the
659 College will also serve as a Member of the Association BOD and as the President of the
660 Association.

661 **Section 3**

662 *Vice President of the College*

663 The Vice President of the College will be a Member of the BOC, a Member of the Executive
664 Committee of the BOC, and a non-voting Member of all Commissions, Committees, and Task
665 Forces (except the CNC, CSC, and Judiciary Committee). In the absence of the President of
666 the College or in the event of the President of the College's inability or refusal to perform the
667 required functions, the Vice President of the College will perform the duties of the President
668 of the College and, when so acting, will have all the powers of and be subject to all of the
669 restrictions on the President of the College. The Vice President of the College will perform
670 such other duties as may be prescribed from time to time by the BOC, the Executive
671 Committee of the Board, or the President of the College. As provided in the Association's
672 bylaws, the person elected to serve as Vice President of the College will also serve as a
673 Member of the Association BOD and as the Vice President of the Association.

674 **Section 4**

675 *Secretary-Treasurer of the College*

676 The Secretary-Treasurer of the College will be a Member of the BOC and a Member of the
677 Executive Committee of the BOC. The Secretary-Treasurer of the College will be custodian
678 of all funds of the College and will be bonded in such amount as the BOC may require. The
679 Secretary-Treasurer of the College will require proper vouchers for the disbursement of
680 funds, and disbursements will not exceed the annual budget approved by the BOC except
681 upon written authorization of the Chair of the Executive Committee. As provided in the
682 Association's bylaws, the person elected to serve as Secretary-Treasurer of the College will
683 also serve as a Member of the Association BOD and as the Secretary-Treasurer of the
684 Association.

685 **Section 5**

686 *Chair and Vice Chair of the BOC*

687 The duties of the Chair of the BOC will be to preside at its meetings, to arrange any
688 supplemental program that may be held in connection with the meetings of the BOC, to give
689 general supervision to the conduct of the BOC affairs, and to perform such other duties as
690 the Board or the Executive Committee of the BOC may from time to time assign to the Chair.
691 The Chair of the BOC will be a non-voting Member of all Commissions, Committees, and
692 Task Forces (except the CNC, CSC, and Judiciary Committee). The Speaker or Vice
693 Speaker of the Council may request that the Chair of the BOC or the Chair's representative
694 attend an individual meeting or part thereof of the CSC. The person elected to serve as Chair
695 of the BOC of the College will serve as the Chair of the BOD of the Association.

696
697 The duties of the Vice Chair of the BOC will be to assist generally the Chair of the BOC, to
698 perform the duties of the Chair of the BOC in the event of the Chair of the BOC's absence,

699 inability or refusal to act, and to perform such other duties as the BOC, the Executive
700 Committee of the BOC or the Chair of the BOC may from time to time assign to the Vice
701 Chair of the BOC. The Vice Chair of the BOC will be a non-voting Member of all
702 Commissions, Committees, and Task Forces (except the CNC, CSC, and Judiciary
703 Committee). The person elected to serve as Vice Chair of the BOC of the College will serve
704 as the Vice Chair of the BOD of the Association.

705 **Section 6**

706 *Speaker and Vice Speaker of the Council*

707 The officers of the Council will be the Speaker of the Council and Vice Speaker of the Council.
708 To be eligible for these offices, the individuals will have served a minimum of two (2) years
709 on the present or on a former CSC prior to election. An individual may be elected to a single
710 two (2) year term as Speaker of the Council and a single two (2) year term as Vice Speaker
711 of the Council during the course of that person's Membership in the College. The Speaker
712 and Vice Speaker of the Council will be eligible to serve in all positions open to elected
713 Members of the CSC. As provided in the Association's bylaws, the persons elected to serve
714 as Speaker and Vice Speaker of the Council of the College will also serve as Speaker and
715 Vice Speaker of the Council of the Association.

716
717 In order to maintain congruence in the terms of office of the Speaker and Vice Speaker of
718 the Council, in the event of a vacancy in either the office of the Speaker of the Council or
719 Vice Speaker of the Council, the CSC may appoint any Member eligible to hold those offices
720 to serve out the remainder of the vacant term. Such individual would subsequently be eligible
721 to seek a full elected term to that office unless such individual had previously served as
722 Speaker of the Council or Vice Speaker of the Council.

723
724 The Speaker of the Council will be the presiding officer at all Council meetings, arrange any
725 supplemental programs that may be held in connection with the meetings of the Council, give
726 general supervision to the conduct of the affairs of the Council, and perform such other duties
727 as may be assigned by the Council. In the Speaker of the Council's absence, or at the
728 discretion of the Speaker of the Council the Vice Speaker of the Council will preside. The
729 Speaker of the Council will vote only in the instance of a tie.

730
731 The Speaker and Vice Speaker of the Council will be Members of the Executive Committee
732 of the BOC, the BOC, and will be Members of the Budget and Finance Committee (BFC).
733 The Vice Speaker of the Council will be the reviewer of the Digest of Council Actions.

734 **Section 7**

735 *Election of a Chair of the BOC, Vice Chair of the BOC, and Secretary-Treasurer of the*
736 *College*

737 A Chair and Vice Chair of the BOC and a Secretary-Treasurer of the College will be elected
738 annually from among the Members of the BOC. The election will be by a majority vote of the
739 Members of the BOC present and voting at a meeting of the BOC that precedes the
740 expiration of the term of the incumbent officers by at least thirty (30) days. Notwithstanding
741 the above, in the event of the death or permanent inability of both the Chair of the BOC and
742 Vice Chair of the BOC to act, the chief executive officer (CEO) will call an emergency meeting
743 of the Executive Committee, which will select a Member of the Board to act as Chair *pro tem*
744 of the BOC until the next meeting of the BOC, at which time a new Chair of the BOC and
745 Vice Chair of the BOC will be nominated and elected. As provided in the Association's
746 bylaws, the persons elected to serve as Chair and Vice Chair of the BOC and Secretary-
747 Treasurer of the College will also serve as Chair and Vice Chair of the Association BOD and
748 Secretary-Treasurer of the Association.

749 **Section 8**

750 *Election of Officers and Chancellors*

751 Elections for all College officers will be determined by majority vote. The President of the
752 College, Vice President of the College, Speaker of the Council, and Vice Speaker of the
753 Council will be elected by the Council at the Annual Meeting of the College. The Chair and
754 Vice Chair of the BOC and the Secretary-Treasurer of the College will be elected by a
755 majority vote of the BOC. A vote cast for an individual for Chancellor or officer of the College
756 is also a vote for that individual as director or corresponding officer of the Association. The
757 term of office of each officer so elected will begin at the conclusion of the Annual Meeting.

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759 In an election pursuant to [Section 2\(f\) of Article VI](#) to fill positions on the BOC, a majority of
760 the votes cast will be necessary to elect a nominee. The elections will follow the process set
761 forth in the Elections Manual. The term of office of each Chancellor so elected will begin at
762 the conclusion of the meeting at which the election is held.

763 **Section 9**

764 *Chief Executive Officer (CEO)*

765 The BOC may appoint a CEO for a term and stipend to be determined by the BOC. The CEO
766 may be, but need not be, a Member of the College. The CEO of the College will also serve
767 as CEO of the Association.

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769 The CEO, under direction of the BOC, will perform the duties that the title of that office
770 ordinarily connotes. The CEO will be bonded in such an amount as the BOC may require.
771 The CEO, under the direction of the BOC, will manage and conduct the business of all offices
772 of the College; be empowered to enter into any contract or deliver any instrument in the name
773 of the College; sign all checks, drafts, or other orders for payment of money, notes, or other
774 evidences of indebtedness issued in the name of the College; deposit all funds of the College
775 to the credit of the College in such banks, trust companies, or other depositories as he/she
776 may select; be the custodian of all the important documents of the College, including the
777 bonds of those officers required by the ACR Bylaws to be bonded; keep an accurate record
778 of all of the College activities; act as Secretary to the BOC, the Executive Committee of the
779 Board, and the Council and keep accurate records of their proceedings; supervise the
780 publication and editing of any matter authorized by the Board or such Commissions,
781 Committees, and Task Forces as may be appointed by it; give notice of meetings of the BOC,
782 Executive Committee of the BOC, and the Council and arrange for the necessary facilities
783 for holding them; and perform such duties as are imposed by these ACR Bylaws and as the
784 BOC or the Executive Committee may direct. The CEO may delegate any of his/her powers,
785 with or without restriction, to any bonded employee of the College.

786 **Section 10**

787 *Indemnification*

788 The College will have the power to indemnify any of its officers, BOC Members, Commission,
789 Committee, Work Group, and Task Force Chairs and Members, employees and agents
790 against expenses, judgments, fines, settlements, and other amounts actually and reasonably
791 incurred in connection with activities undertaken at the College's request if such person acted
792 in good faith and in a manner the person reasonably believed to be in the best interest of the
793 College to the extent such indemnification is permitted by law. The individual will be
794 indemnified for expenses, including attorney's fees, reasonably incurred in any threatened,
795 pending, or completed action or proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative, or
796 investigative, by reason of the fact that the individual acted on behalf of the College.

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798 Indemnification can be made only as to a specific case, upon a determination that
799 indemnification is proper in the circumstances, and must be authorized by a majority vote of

800 a quorum consisting of BOC Members who are not parties to the proceeding or by a majority
801 vote of a quorum consisting of Councilors who are not parties to the proceeding.
802
803 The College will have the power to purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of any agent
804 of the College against any liability asserted against or incurred by the agent in such capacity
805 or arising out of the agent's status or such capacity, whether or not the College would have
806 the power to indemnify the agent against liability under the provisions of applicable state
807 statutes.

808 **ARTICLE VIII – Commissions, Committees, Task Forces and Work Groups**

809 **Section 1**

810 *Establishment of Commissions, Committees and Task Forces and Work Groups*

811 The BOC may establish Commissions, Committees and Task Forces, reporting to the Board,
812 to aid the BOC in carrying on specific activities of the College. Such Commissions,
813 Committees, and Task Forces will be responsible to the BOC and may be altered or
814 eliminated at any time by the BOC. Commission Chairs may establish Committees within
815 Commissions with the approval of the Chair of the BOC.
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817 The Chair of the BOC will select the Chair of each Commission, Committee, and Task Force,
818 except that a Commission Chair will select the Chair of Committees in their Commission with
819 approval by the Chair of the BOC. The Chair of each Commission must be selected from
820 the Members of the BOC. Chairs of Commissions, Committees, and Task Forces will select
821 their Members with the approval of the Chair of the BOC.
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823 Appointees to Commissions, Committees, or Task Forces need not be Members in any
824 category of the College and are entitled to vote in all Commissions, Committees, and Task
825 Forces business. However, if individuals are eligible for ACR Membership in any category,
826 they must become Members of the College before they can be appointed to a Commission,
827 Committee, or Task Force. On a case-by-case basis, the Chair of the BOC may waive this
828 requirement. A majority of the Members of all Commissions, Committees, and Task Forces
829 must be Members of the College.
830

831 All Committees, Commissions, Task Forces and Work Groups should attempt to include YPS
832 and/or MIT Member(s). Commissions, Committees, Task Forces and Work Groups should
833 also attempt to maintain Membership diversity.

834 **Section 2**

835 *Executive Committee*

836 An Executive Committee will be constituted annually at the organizational meeting of the
837 BOC. The Membership of the Executive Committee will consist of the Chair and the Vice
838 Chair of the BOC, the President of the College, the Vice President of the College, the
839 Secretary-Treasurer of the College, the Speaker and Vice Speaker of the Council, and two
840 (2) other Chancellors who will be appointed by the Chair of the BOC, with the approval of the
841 BOC for a term of one (1) year. As provided in the Association's bylaws, the persons who,
842 by way of their office, serve on the Executive Committee of the College will also serve on the
843 Executive Committee of the Association.
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845 Nothing in this section will be construed to prevent a Member of the Executive Committee
846 from holding office for more than one (1) term. The Chair of the BOC will be Chair of the
847 Executive Committee and the Vice Chair of the BOC will be Vice Chair of the Executive
848 Committee.
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850 It will be the duty of the Executive Committee of the BOC to carry on the business of the
851 College between regular meetings of the BOC and to report its activities to the BOC at each
852 regular meeting thereof. Meetings of the Executive Committee of the BOC may be conducted
853 by electronic means as permitted by the laws of the state of California. Authority is vested in
854 the BOC to make decisions affecting policies of the College, and the authority is also vested
855 with the officers of the College to implement such decisions in circumstances in which the
856 officers of the College deem the calling of a special meeting of the Council not to be feasible.
857 The Executive Committee may also implement policy decisions under such circumstances.
858 The BOC will report annually to the Council on any such policy actions taken.

859 **Section 3**

860 *Reference Committees*

861 Reference Committees, each composed of not less than four (4) Councilors appointed by
862 the Speaker of the Council, will conduct open hearings on the business of the College. At the
863 discretion of the Speaker of the Council, one Alternate Councilor and/or one MIT may also
864 be appointed to each Reference Committee. The Committees will report their
865 recommendations to the Council for disposition of each item of business referred to it.

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867 All reports of officers, the BOC, Commissions, Committees, and Task Forces, and all
868 resolutions will be assigned to the appropriate Reference Committee by the Council
869 Speaker.

870 Each Reference Committee will conduct an open hearing on all matters assigned to it and
871 will submit to the Council a report including recommendations regarding adoptions or
872 modifications of each item.

873 **Section 4**

874 *Credentials Committee*

875 A Credentials Committee of at least three (3) Councilors will be appointed by the Speaker of
876 the Council. The Committee will determine the Members who among Council meeting or
877 Annual Meeting of the College registrants are eligible to vote. The Credentials Committee
878 will determine whether or not a quorum is achieved at meetings of the Council.

879 **Section 5**

880 *Work Groups*

881 The Speaker of the Council will appoint such other work Groups as deemed necessary for
882 the proper functioning of the Council. The Speaker and Vice Speaker of the Council will be
883 non-voting Members of all such work Groups.

884 **Section 6**

885 *Standing Committees of the College*

886 The standing Committees of the College are the Budget and Finance Committee (BFC),
887 Audit Committee, Bylaws Committee, Ethics Committee, Judiciary Committee, Governance
888 Committee, College Nominating Committee (CNC), Board Nominating Committee (BNC),
889 and Awards and Honors Committee which report to the BOC.

890 **Section 7**

891 *Budget and Finance Committee (BFC)*

892 The Chair of the BOC will appoint a BFC to prepare annually a budget to be presented to the
893 BOC. The Secretary-Treasurer of the College will serve as Chair of the BFC. The BFC will
894 assist the Board in its oversight responsibilities relating to fiscal management of the College.
895 As provided in the Association's bylaws, the persons appointed to serve on the BFC of the
896 College will also serve on the BFC of the Association.

897 **Section 8**

898 *Audit Committee*

899 The Chair of the BOC will appoint an Audit Committee to assist the Board in its oversight
900 responsibilities relating to the College's systems of internal control and risk management.
901 The Audit Committee will oversee compliance with legal, ethical, and accounting standards
902 and will select the independent auditor and receive the annual audit report. As provided in
903 the Association's bylaws, the persons appointed to serve on the Audit Committee of the
904 College will also serve on the Audit Committee of the Association.

905 **Section 9**

906 *Bylaws Committee*

907 The College Bylaws Committee will consist of at least seven (7) Members appointed by the
908 Chair of the BOC. The Bylaws Committee will draft proposed ACR Bylaws language to
909 implement amendments to the ACR Bylaws directed by Council resolution. The Bylaws
910 Committee may propose amendments for sponsorship to the BOC and the CSC. In addition,
911 the Committee will review all proposed ACR Bylaws amendments submitted by any
912 Councilor, Member, Chapter, the BOC, or the CSC and make recommendations to both the
913 Council and CSC concerning adoption, rejection, or germane and consistent modifications
914 to such amendments.

915 **Section 10**

916 *Ethics Committee*

917 The Ethics Committee will consist of at least seven (7) Members appointed by the Chair of
918 the BOC. The Committee assists the College and its Members in ethical matters as identified
919 in the ACR Code of Ethics.

920 **Section 11**

921 *Judiciary Committee*

922 The Judiciary Committee will be the last four (4) past Presidents of the College. The term of
923 Committee Members will be four (4) years. The senior Committee Member will annually
924 assume the Chair of the Committee. In the event of the death or disability of a Member or
925 Members of the Judiciary Committee, the Chair of the BOC will make such appointment or
926 appointments as are necessary to maintain the Membership of the Judiciary Committee at
927 four (4) from among the past Presidents of the College.

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929 The duties of the Judiciary Committee will be to hear such disciplinary matters as may be
930 brought before it under [Article XI, Section 4](#). After hearing such disciplinary matters, the
931 Committee will submit a report to the BOC.

932 **Section 12**

933 *Governance Committee*

934 The Governance Committee will consist of twelve (12) Members. Three (3) Members,
935 including the Chair, will be appointed by the Chair of the BOC from among the Members of
936 the BOC. Nine (9) Members will be appointed by the Speaker of the Council from among the
937 Members of the CSC, at least six (6) of whom will be elected Members of the CSC. The
938 goals of the Governance Committee are to (1) address issues of governance and
939 representation within the College and (2) monitor and evaluate the College's election
940 processes.

941 **Section 13**

942 *College Nominating Committee (CNC)*

943 The CNC will consist of nine (9) Members six (6) of whom will be elected and three (3) of
944 whom are appointed. Two (2) Members will be appointed by the Chair of the BOC from

945 among the Members of the BOC to serve a single two (2) year term, and one (1) Member
946 will be appointed a single one (1) year term by the Speaker of the Council from among the
947 Members of the CSC. These appointments will be made within one (1) month after the
948 elections held at the College's Annual Meeting. There will be six (6) Members elected by the
949 Council. At each annual Council meeting, three (3) Members will be elected, who must be
950 Councilors or Alternate Councilors for the terms for which the candidates are nominated, to
951 serve one (1) two (2) year term. Members elected by the Council will not simultaneously
952 serve on the CSC. The Speaker of the Council will convene the CNC for the sole purpose of
953 electing its Chair and Vice Chair.

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955 The CNC will meet in person or via conference call at least once a year. The Committee will
956 inform the Membership at least forty-five (45) days before the Annual Meeting of its
957 nominations for the offices of President of the College, Vice President of the College, Council
958 Speaker of the Council, Council Vice Speaker of the Council, for vacancies on the BOC, five
959 (5) or more Council candidates for the CNC, and five (5) or more Council candidates for the
960 CSC.

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962 The CNC will propose a nominee(s) with suitable qualifications to fill each vacant elected
963 position on the BOC. Candidates may seek election as a specific Commission Chair or as a
964 Chancellor-at-Large. A Member of the CNC may not be a nominee of the Committee.

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966 The CNC will also select two (2) Members of the ACR who are in private practice to attend
967 the annual meeting of the Intersociety Committee. Those representatives to the Intersociety
968 Committee meetings will be selected for two (2) year terms staggered so that one (1) will be
969 selected each year. Each selected representative will be a physician who has a private office
970 and/or who practices in a hospital without a radiology residency program. These two (2)
971 selected representatives will be in addition to the College's regular representatives to the
972 annual meeting of the Intersociety Committee.

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974 The CNC will present nominations to the Council at its Annual Meeting. Nothing in this Article
975 V will be construed as preventing independent nominations for the above named offices by
976 any Councilor, provided that such nominations will be supported by a nominating petition
977 signed by fifteen (15) or more Members of the Council, and will be presented to the Speaker
978 of the Council not less than fourteen (14) days before the Annual Meeting of the College.

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980 The Members of the Council will receive the same type of information concerning the
981 candidates nominated for election that is provided to the College

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983 Of the nominees who must be Councilors or Alternate Councilors for the terms for which the
984 candidates are nominated for the three (3) Council positions on the CNC, the Council will
985 elect three (3) to serve for the ensuing year. Each Councilor will cast up to three (3) votes but
986 no Councilor may cast more than one (1) vote for any one (1) nominee. The three (3)
987 nominees receiving the largest vote will be declared Members of the CNC, and the remaining
988 will serve as Alternates. If independent nominations are made for the three (3) Council
989 Members of the CNC, the three (3) receiving the largest vote of all nominees will be declared
990 Members of the CNC and the remaining will be declared Alternates. In the event that an
991 elected position on the CNC becomes vacant during the term, the Councilor who received
992 the next largest number of votes to those elected in the year when the vacating Councilor
993 was elected will be invited to fill the remainder of the vacating Councilor's term on the CNC.
994 If that individual is unable or unwilling to serve, the position will remain vacant until the next
995 regularly scheduled CNC election.

996 **Section 14**
997 *Board Nominating Committee*
998 The BNC will consist of three (3) BOC Members: the President of the College, the Vice
999 President of the College, and a Chancellor appointed by the Chair of the BOC. The BNC will
1000 present nominations for the offices of Chair of the BOC, Vice Chair of the BOC and Secretary-
1001 Treasurer of the College.

1002 **Section 15**
1003 *Awards and Honors Committee*
1004 The Awards and Honors Committee consists of twelve Members. Seven (7) Members are
1005 ACR Gold Medalists appointed by the Chair of the BOC for a single four (4) year term. Three
1006 (3) Members are BOC Members appointed by the Chair of the BOC for a single three (3)
1007 year term. Their appointments are staggered to provide continuity on the Committee. The
1008 President of the College and past President of the College also serve on the Committee for
1009 the one (1) year term they hold the respective roles. The Committee Chair is appointed by
1010 the Chair of the BOC, chosen from the Members of the Committee, for an additional three
1011 (3) years from the time of their appointment as Chair of the Committee. The purpose of the
1012 Committee is to make recommendations to the BOC for the ACR Gold Medal, Distinguished
1013 Achievement Award and Honorary Fellowship.

1014 **ARTICLE IX – Meetings**

1015 **Section 1**
1016 *Meetings of the BOC*
1017 At least two (2) regular meetings of the BOC will be scheduled each calendar year by the
1018 Executive Committee of the Board. Special meetings of the Board will be called by the CEO
1019 upon written request of a majority of the Chancellors or upon the unanimous direction of the
1020 Executive Committee of the BOC. Notice of a special meeting, together with a statement of
1021 the business to be transacted at such meetings, will be sent to the Members of the BOC not
1022 less than seven (7) calendar days before any such meeting. No business other than that
1023 specified in the notice of a special meeting will be transacted at such meeting. Meetings of
1024 the BOC may be conducted by electronic means.

1025 **Section 2**
1026 *Quorum of the BOC*
1027 A majority of the Members of the BOC will constitute a quorum.

1028 **Section 3**
1029 *Meetings of the Council*
1030 The Annual Meeting of the Council will be the Annual Meeting of the College.
1031 Meetings of the Council may be conducted by electronic means.

1032 **Section 4**
1033 *BOC Attendance at Council Meetings*
1034 Members of the BOC will accept at the time of election or appointment, the duty of attending
1035 sessions of the Council and its Reference Committees. All Members of the BOC will have
1036 the privilege of the floor at Council meetings but will not have a vote.

1037 **Section 5**
1038 *Attendance of the Councilor, Alternate Councilor, or Substitute*
1039 Participation of the Councilor, Alternate Councilor, or a substitute certified by the President
1040 of the College or Secretary of the Chapter at the annual and any special meetings of the
1041 Council is expected and is considered essential to the effective functioning of the Council.

1042 **Section 6**
1043 *Council Special Meetings*
1044 Special meetings of the Council will be called by the Speaker of the Council, Chair of the
1045 BOC, or CEO upon the written request of thirty (30) voting Councilors. The Speaker of the
1046 Council will determine the time and place of any such special meeting. Notice of a special
1047 meeting, together with a statement of the business to be transacted at such meeting, will be
1048 sent to each voting Member of the Council not less than fourteen (14) calendar days before
1049 such meeting. No business other than that specified in the notice of a special meeting will be
1050 transacted at such meeting.

1051 **Section 7**
1052 *Resolutions*
1053 All resolutions will be presented to the Council in writing. Resolutions may be received from
1054 individual Councilors, Chapters, RFS, YPS, the CSC or the BOC. Resolutions received within
1055 the deadlines established and published by the CSC will be made available in print or
1056 electronically to all Councilors in attendance at the Annual Meeting. Any resolutions received
1057 after the specified deadline will be reviewed by the CSC. The CSC may request sponsors to
1058 provide information on the emergent nature of the late resolution. If requested, a proponent
1059 of a late resolution will be expected to meet with the CSC and provide rationale for the
1060 urgency of the late resolution. Any resolutions brought before the Council without prior
1061 consideration by the CSC will require a two-thirds (2/3) vote for consideration. The sponsor
1062 will be identified on each resolution.

1063 **Section 8**
1064 *Council Quorum and Voting*
1065 One-third of the Council will constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at meetings
1066 of the Council. Only a Member serving as an appropriately credentialed Councilor may vote
1067 during a meeting of the Council. Voting by proxy is not allowed. The Credentials Committee
1068 will determine Members who are eligible to vote.

1069 **ARTICLE X – Rules of Order**

1070 All meetings of the College will be governed by the parliamentary rules and usages contained
1071 in the most current edition of the American Institute of Parliamentarians “*Standard Code of*
1072 *Parliamentary Procedure.*”

1073 **ARTICLE XI – Ethics and Discipline**

1074 **Section 1**
1075 *Code of Ethics*
1076 The Code of Ethics of the ACR is intended to aid the radiology community, individually and
1077 collectively, in maintaining a high level of ethical conduct. The code is not a set of laws but
1078 rather a framework by which radiologists may determine the propriety of conduct in their
1079 relationship with patients, the public, colleagues, and Members of allied professions.

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Section 2

Principles of Ethics

The Principles of Ethics form the first part of the Code of Ethics of the College. They serve as goals of exemplary professional conduct for which Members of the College should constantly strive.

The principal objective of the medical profession is to render service to people with full respect for human dignity and in the best interest of the patient. Members should merit the confidence of patients entrusted to their care, rendering to each a full measure of service and commitment.

Members should strive continually to improve their medical knowledge and skill and make these improvements available to their patients and colleagues.

Members should at all times be aware of their limitations and be willing to seek consultations in clinical situations where appropriate. These limitations should be appropriately disclosed to patients and referring physicians.

The medical profession should safeguard the public and itself against physicians deficient in moral character or professional competence by reporting, to the appropriate body, without hesitation, perceived illegal or unethical conduct of Members of the medical profession. Members should uphold all laws, uphold the dignity and honor of the medical profession and accept its self-imposed discipline and deal honestly and fairly with patients and colleagues.

The honored ideals of the medical profession imply that responsibilities of Members extend to society in general as well as their patients. These responsibilities include the interest and participation of Members in activities that improve the health and well-being of the individual and the community.

Members may not reveal confidences entrusted to them in the course of medical attendance, or deficiencies they may observe in the character of patients, unless they are required to do so by law, or unless it becomes necessary to protect the welfare of the individual or of the community.

A physician who has not personally interpreted the images obtained in a radiological examination should not sign a report or take attribution of an interpretation of that examination rendered by another physician in a manner that causes the reader of a report to believe that the signing radiologist was the interpreter.

The decision to render a service by a diagnostic radiologist, radiation oncologist, interventional radiologist, nuclear medicine physician, or medical physicist is a matter of individual physician and patient choice governed by the best interest of the patient.

The traditional bond among diagnostic radiologists, radiation oncologists, interventional radiologists, nuclear medicine physicians, and medical physicists, particularly in their professional relationships with each other, is a powerful aid in the service of patients and should not be used for personal advantage.

Section 3

Rules of Ethics

The Rules of Ethics form the second part of the Code of Ethics of the College. They are mandatory and directive of specific minimal standards of professional conduct for all Members of the College.

1133 Members' behavior should conform to high standards of ethical, legal, and professional
1134 conduct. Any activity that fails to conform to these standards compromises the Member's
1135 personal integrity and casts aspersions on the College and the medical profession.
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1137 It is proper for a diagnostic radiologist to provide a consultative opinion on radiographs and
1138 other images regardless of their origin. A radiologist who regularly interprets radiographs and
1139 other images should reasonably participate in quality assurance, technology assessment,
1140 utilization review, and other matters of policy that affect the quality and safety of patient care.
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1142 It is proper for a radiation oncologist to provide a consultative opinion in the management of
1143 cancer and other disorders treated with radiation. A radiation oncologist should regularly treat
1144 patients only in settings where the radiation oncologist reasonably participates in the quality
1145 of patient management, utilization review, and matters of policy that affect the quality of
1146 patient care.
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1148 It is proper for an interventional radiologist to provide a consultative opinion in the
1149 management of conditions treated by interventional methods. An interventional radiologist
1150 should regularly treat patients only in settings where the interventional radiologist reasonably
1151 participates in the quality patient management, utilization review, and matters of policy that
1152 affect the quality of patient care.
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1154 It is proper for a nuclear medicine physician to provide a consultative opinion in the
1155 management of conditions treated by nuclear medicine. A nuclear medicine physician should
1156 regularly treat patients only in settings where the nuclear medicine physician reasonably
1157 participates in the quality patient management, utilization review, and matters of policy that
1158 affect the quality of patient care.
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1160 It is proper for a medical physicist to provide assistance to a physician in treating patients
1161 only in settings where the medical physicist reasonably participates in technical quality
1162 assurance.
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1164 Prior to practicing in a hospital or other health care entity, a diagnostic radiologist, radiation
1165 oncologist, interventional radiologist, nuclear medicine physician, or medical physicist will
1166 apply, and be accepted, as a Member of that entity's medical staff in accordance with the
1167 medical staff's bylaws and in the same manner as all other physicians.
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1169 The practice of physicians referring patients to health care facilities in which they have a
1170 financial interest is-not-in the best interest of patients. Self-referral may improperly influence
1171 the professional judgments of those physicians referring patients to such facilities. Members
1172 with ownership interests participating in such arrangements may be in violation of these
1173 Rules of Ethics.
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1175 Members will relate to other Members of the health care team with mutual respect and refrain
1176 from harassment or unfair discriminatory behavior.
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1178 Members should have the right to enter into whatever lawful contractual arrangements with
1179 health care systems they deem desirable and necessary but they should seek to ensure that
1180 the system of healthcare delivery in which they practice does not unduly influence the
1181 selection and performance of appropriate available imaging studies or therapeutic
1182 procedures.
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1184 Members should not enter into an agreement that prohibits the provision of medically
1185 necessary care or that requires care at below acceptable standards. Notwithstanding policies

1186 of a health plan, radiologists should advocate cost-effective appropriate studies or therapies
1187 that will benefit the patient, whose welfare is paramount.

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1189 Members should clearly and adequately respond to inquiries by patients regarding fees
1190 and/or any financial incentive. A radiologist should not participate in a billing arrangement
1191 that misleads patients or third-party payers concerning the fees charged by the radiologist.
1192 Radiologists will not divide radiological fees either directly or by any subterfuge.

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1194 In providing expert medical testimony, Members should exercise extreme caution to ensure
1195 that the testimony provided is non-partisan, scientifically correct, and clinically accurate. The
1196 diagnostic radiologist, radiation oncologist, interventional radiologist, nuclear medicine
1197 physician, or medical physicist will not accept compensation that is contingent upon the
1198 outcome of litigation.

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1200 Radiologic research must be performed with integrity and be honestly reported.

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1202 Members should not claim as their intellectual property that which is not theirs. Plagiarism or
1203 the use of others' work without attribution is unethical.

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1205 Members should not publicize themselves through any medium or forum of public
1206 communication in an untruthful, misleading, or deceptive manner or in a fashion demeaning
1207 to the profession.

1208 **Section 4**

1209 *Disciplinary Procedures for Violation of the Rules of Ethics*

1210 A Member of the College may be censured, suspended or expelled for due cause, pursuant
1211 to the Principles of Ethics, Rules of Ethics and disciplinary procedures set forth in these ACR
1212 Bylaws. Any disciplinary action taken against a Member of the College pursuant to the
1213 College's Principles of Ethics, Rules of Ethics or disciplinary procedures will be deemed to
1214 apply equally in relation to such individual's Membership in the College. Likewise, as provided
1215 by the ACR Bylaws, any disciplinary action taken against a Member of the College pursuant
1216 to the College's Principles of Ethics, Rules of Ethics or disciplinary procedures will be deemed
1217 to apply equally in relation to such individual's Membership in the College. Disciplinary
1218 proceedings will be considered confidential. The levels of disciplinary action will be defined
1219 as follows:

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- 1221 a. **Letter of Concern:** In cases where the Ethics Committee determines formal
1222 disciplinary action against a Member is not warranted, it may issue a letter of
1223 concern or a letter of instruction to address matters that are not violations of the
1224 College's Code of Ethics but warrant the Member's attention.
 - 1225 b. **Censure:** A censure will be a written reprimand to the Member from the Chair of
1226 the Ethics Committee with no loss of benefits of Fellowship or Membership. Such
1227 censure will be made a part of the Membership file of the Member.
 - 1228 c. **Suspension:** A suspension will cause the Member to lose the benefits of
1229 Fellowship or Membership for a specific period of time as determined by the
1230 Ethics Committee, after which the individual, if approved for reinstatement, will
1231 resume full Membership upon payment of appropriate dues. Suspension will be
1232 for such term as the Ethics Committee determines is necessary to ensure
1233 modification of behavior.
 - 1234 d. **Expulsion:** Expulsion will cause the Member to be removed from the rolls of the
1235 College. An expelled Member will not be entitled to any of the benefits of
1236 Fellowship or Membership. The College will not accept a reapplication for
1237 Fellowship or Membership from an expelled Member until a prescribed period,
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1239 as the Committee will determine, has elapsed from the date the individual was
1240 notified of the Committee's action.

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1242 Grounds for Disciplinary Action: A Member of the College may be disciplined for any one (1)
1243 or more violations of [Section 3](#) of the Code of Ethics (the Rules of Ethics) of the College.
1244 Additionally, a Member may be disciplined for:

- 1245 • Limitations or restriction of any right associated with the practice of medicine by
1246 any state, other U.S. jurisdiction, Canadian province, or territory including the
1247 revocation, suspension, and restriction of a medical license or the voluntary
1248 surrender of a license while under investigation
- 1249 • Conviction of any felony
- 1250 • Conviction of scientific fraud

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1252 Disciplinary Process: A complaint that a Member of the College has violated the Rules of
1253 Ethics may be filed in writing either with the Chair of the Ethics Committee or with the person
1254 or persons authorized to receive such complaints by the bylaws, rules or regulations of the
1255 Chapter to which such Member belongs. The Ethics Committee may refer any complaint filed
1256 to the appropriate Chapter, may retain such complaint for investigation and disposition, or
1257 may dismiss, with written justification, such complaint as non-meritorious. The Ethics
1258 Committee will investigate and dispose of ethics matters in accordance with such procedures
1259 as the Committee may from time to time determine.

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1261 If a Chapter receives a complaint or request for disciplinary action against a Member of the
1262 College, the Chapter will follow the procedures specified in its bylaws, rules or regulations for
1263 investigating and disposing of the matter.

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1265 If the matter is retained by the Ethics Committee, written notice will be sent to the Member in
1266 question by registered or certified mail at least thirty (30) calendar days prior to a meeting of
1267 the Ethics Committee (a) stating the time and place of the meeting, (b) informing the Member
1268 of the nature of the complaint which will be considered, (c) advising that the Member may
1269 then and there appear in person and/or by legal or other representative and may submit such
1270 evidence as the Member deems appropriate, and (d) advising the Member in question that
1271 failure to cooperate reasonably with an ethics investigation is independent grounds for
1272 disciplinary action. Following the meeting, the Ethics Committee will notify in writing the Chair
1273 of the BOC and the Member of its decision.

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1275 A Member against whom disciplinary action is taken either by a Chapter or upon the
1276 recommendation of the Ethics Committee may appeal the decision to the Judiciary
1277 Committee by mailing a written notice of appeal to the Chair of the BOC within thirty (30)
1278 days of the mailing of notice of the adverse decision to the Member in question.

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1280 Before the Judiciary Committee will hear an appeal, the Judiciary Committee will, by
1281 registered or certified mail, notify the Member in question not less than thirty (30) calendar
1282 days prior to a meeting of the Judiciary Committee that the Member may then and there
1283 appear in person and/or by legal or other representative to present such argument as the
1284 Member deems proper to show that the disciplinary action taken should be reversed.

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1286 The Judiciary Committee will determine whether the disciplinary action taken against a
1287 Member is supported by the evidence and is the result of the fair procedures consistent with
1288 these ACR Bylaws. If so, the Committee will affirm the disciplinary action. If not, the Judiciary
1289 Committee will reverse the disciplinary action and either dismiss the case or return the case
1290 to the Ethics Committee with instructions for further proceedings. All actions of the Judiciary
1291 Committee will be by majority vote.

1292 The status of a Member during disciplinary proceedings will be unaltered.

1293 **ARTICLE XII – Amendment**

1294 Amendments to these ACR Bylaws may be adopted at any Annual Meeting of the Council
1295 by the affirmative vote of two-thirds (2/3) of the Councilors present and voting; provided that
1296 such proposed amendments have been received in College headquarters four (4) months
1297 prior to the Annual Meeting or proposed by the BOC or CSC at a meeting at least forty-five
1298 (45) days prior to the Annual Meeting. Proposed amendments can be submitted by an
1299 individual Councilor, a Chapter, the CSC, or the BOC.

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1301 Any proposed amendment received after the specified deadlines but in time to allow the thirty
1302 (30) day notice to Members as set forth below will be reviewed by the Bylaws Committee to
1303 determine whether it is sufficiently urgent to require immediate consideration by the Council
1304 at the Annual Meeting. The Committee may request sponsors to provide information on the
1305 urgent nature of the late proposed amendment. Late ACR Bylaws amendments require a
1306 two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Council to be considered at that Annual Meeting and a four-fifths
1307 (4/5) vote for adoption.

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1309 Any policy resolution requesting an ACR Bylaws change will be placed in proper bylaws
1310 format by the Bylaws Committee and submitted to the next year's Council for adoption as an
1311 amendment to these ACR Bylaws. All other proposed amendments received in College
1312 headquarters by the deadlines will be submitted to the Bylaws Committee. The Bylaws
1313 Committee will consider proposed amendments, place them in bylaws format and prepare
1314 the required resolutions and Committee recommendations.

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1316 Proposed amendments or summaries thereof will be clearly and specifically communicated
1317 to all Members of the College via electronic or other means using addresses maintained at
1318 College headquarters not less than thirty (30) calendar days before such Annual Meeting.
1319 Notwithstanding the foregoing, amendments recommended by a Reference Committee or
1320 from the floor at the Annual Meeting to proposed ACR Bylaws amendments that are germane
1321 and reasonably implied by the original proposed amendment's notice are permissible and do
1322 not require thirty (30) days advance notice. Such amendments to proposed ACR Bylaws
1323 amendments require a majority vote for acceptance while the main motion to amend the ACR
1324 Bylaws still requires a two-thirds (2/3) vote for acceptance.

1325 **ARTICLE XIII – Dissolution**

1326 In the event of dissolution or final liquidation of the College, all of its assets remaining after
1327 payment of its obligations will have been made or provided for, will be distributed according
1328 to applicable law to and among such corporations, foundations, or other organizations
1329 organized and operated exclusively for scientific and educational purposes consistent with
1330 those of the College as will be designated by the BOC.