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NDBA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ELECTIONS

FOR THE YEAR 2018-2019

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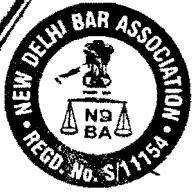
The Hon'ble Members of the Bar are informed that the following Code of Conduct has been formulated by the Returning Officer to be followed by all the Hon'ble members of NDBA including the Candidates during the entire period starting from today, till the declaration of results of Elections.

Hon'ble Members may kindly take note

1. In case of any violation of the Code of conduct by any candidate, his supporter or his staff, the Returning Officer will have the right to disqualify such candidate from the Elections and cancel the candidature.
2. In case of violation of the Code of Conduct by any voter, such member/voter may be liable not only to be disqualified from casting his vote but may entail action for his expulsion from the membership of Bar Association and also reporting of the matter to Bar Council of Delhi for Disciplinary Action.
3. Any criminal activity will entail reporting the matter to the Hon'ble District & Sessions Judge and consequent Police Action.

CODE OF CONDUCT

- a. No candidate or his supporter will in any manner whatsoever entice, lure, pressurize, threaten, bribe or influence in any other manner any person in order to secure the vote of a member. "Enticing" will include offering food or liquor while campaigning, either directly or by proxy. "bribing" will include offering any kind of gift or distributing free-bies, however small priced the same may be.
- b. All candidates and their supporters will constantly maintain the dignity of our esteemed profession by observing a dignified and decent behaviour throughout the election process either during the campaigning, voting or counting.
- c. No candidate, supporter or voter will misbehave with the Returning Officer or any member and the staff assisting the Election Committee in conducting the elections and will follow the instructions, oral as well as written, given by any of the Returning Officers.



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- d. Candidates, voters and their supporters having any complaint must give the complaint in writing to the Returning Officers and obtain acknowledgement on a identical copy there off. Returning Officer may not take cognizance of a complaint made orally.
- e. No candidate, their supporter or voters should deface the walls of chambers, court buildings inside or outside in any manner whatsoever. It is a criminal offence otherwise.
- f. The candidates and their supporters will not publish and distribute any leaflets, pamphlets, posters, display banner etc. in any manner.
- g. The candidates and their supporters may only circulate a visiting card size card carrying their Name, Enrolment Number, Chamber Number, Phone Number etc. and the post contesting.
- h. The candidates may circulate to the members one letter informing about their achievements and vision for contesting the election. An advance copy of the said letter must be supplied to the Returning Officer.
- i. The candidates must not allow any person who is not a lawyer to campaign for them any manner whatsoever. Any such person will be liable to be handed over to police for action.
- j. If a non-lawyer is found campaigning for any candidate, the candidate may invite strict action from the Returning Officer including cancellation of candidature. No Clerk of the Advocate will be involved in the campaigning process.
- k. Any person trying to cast a vote by impersonating shall be strictly dealt with and will be handed over to the police for further action.
- l. The decision of Return Officers in any matters, relating to the Elections and its process including the candidature of a candidate, right to vote of a Hon'ble Member, validity of votes, need for counting and recounting and other disciplinary matters, shall be final.



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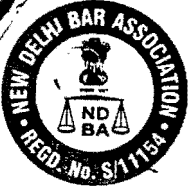
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- m. The candidates and their supporters will observe the standards and professional conduct and etiquette and observe all the rules notified by the Bar Council of Delhi.*
- n. The candidates and Hon'ble Members may take note of the following Rule 105 B(iv) of Bar Council of Delhi, "Any lawyer, who disturbs the process of election/counting of ballots in the elections held by any Bar Association or Bar Council, either by himself or through outsiders who are not advocates, would amount to misconduct as defined under section 35 of the advocates Act, 1961. If Bar council receives a complaint from the returning Officer/Bar Associations/or from any office bearer of Bar Council, action will be initiated against such member."*

No member contesting/ desiring to contest the election shall:

- a) affix or permitted to affix his/ her banner(s) or poster(s) or hoarding(s) or any kind of publicity material inside or outside the Patiala House Court Premises;
- b) distribute or make to distribute any gifts to any member of the association or their families and friends;
- c) arrange parties or providing breakfast/ lunch/ dinner etc to any members of the associations within or outside the premises of the Patiala House Court or anywhere in the NCR Region;
- d) canvass seeking vote or support in any form on the date of polling;
- e) hire or procure -whether on payment or otherwise any vehicle himself or through his agent/ supporter for the purpose of free conveyance of his voter or supporter for the purpose of election making a trip to and from the Patiala House Court Premises on the date of Election;



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- f) No printing materials, hoardings, banners, stickers of any nature whatsoever would be permitted in and around the Court Premises on the polling day.
- g) Except the voters no one without a valid Identity Card/ letter of authority issued by the Returning Officer, shall enter the Polling booth.
- h) On the dates of Election no canvassing or use of any form of propaganda within 100 meters of Polling station/Area would be permitted.
- i) It shall be open to the Returning Officer to take action in terms of its notified Model Code of Conduct.
4. Canvassing by a non-advocate (including but not limited to any law intern / relatives / neighbors/ supporters other than advocate of the member who is contesting/ wishes to contest) is prohibited.

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GENERAL CONDUCT

- No candidate shall involve in any activity which may aggravate existing differences or create mutual hatred or cause tension between member of the Bar on the basis of castes and communities, religious or linguistic.
- All the candidates shall avoid scrupulously all activities which are "corrupt practices" and offences under General Election Law, such as bribing of voters, intimidation of voters, impersonation of voters, canvassing with in 100 meters of polling stations and the transport and conveyance of voters to and from polling station.
- No candidate shall permit its or his followers to make use of any Government Building including the building of Patiala House Courts and its premises or any individual's land, building compound wall etc. for erecting flag-staffs, suspending banners, pasting notices, writing slogans etc. This is otherwise a criminal offence under the law.
- Candidates shall ensure that their supporters do not create obstructions in the peaceful one to one campaigning by candidate and their supporters.
- No procession or sloganeering will be allowed at any at any stage of elections.

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