Proposal AA Date Heard: Vote:

### **AMEND BYLAWS ARTICLE 8: JUDICIAL COMMITTEE**

**Problem:** There is no time limit to rescissions, and though one may hope that decisions would not be reviewed anew later (the way to set new precedent is with a new case), there was in fact an attempted rescissions of the overturning of a constructive disaffiliation nearly five years after the fact in the 2011 Oregon case.

Solution: Make Judicial Committee Decisions Final

Benefits: It provides stability to decisions and prevents gaming.

Current Wording	Proposed Amendment	If Adopted, Will Read
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### MARK-UP LEGEND

- o In replacements, deletions precede additions.
- o Deletions are in red bold italic strikethrough.
- Additions are in <u>blue bold underline</u>.
   Per LPUS Bylaws, Article XVII, Section 1, the bylaws require a 2/3 vote to pass.
- o Per RONR t8 #13, the convention special rules of order require a 2/3 vote with notice or a majority of the entire convention membership