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## Articles of Association of Interstate Bar Council

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must be governed—in other words, that they must be told what to do. *This is the conflict which every modern lawyer must clearly appraise if he desires to devote his talents to the preservation of what we call the American way of life.*” And so I could go on and on quoting from men who are well informed and who occupy positions of knowledge to the same effect. There appears to be substantial basis for the alarm sounded in the meeting in San Francisco. I shall not go on. The purpose of this report is not to build a case for the philosophy expounded at San Francisco but to report that meeting as accurately as my memory and notes permit.

At that meeting, a committee consisting of the Presidents of the California Bar, the Washington Bar, and the Oregon Bar was appointed to draft proposed Articles of Association for the Interstate Bar Council, which articles were to be submitted to the member Bars for discussion and action. The committee has performed its mission and I append a copy of its work here for your consideration. You will note that the purpose of the Council, as outlined in the Articles, is not limited to the main subject of this report, but that many matters affecting the welfare of the profession are included. You will further note, however, that the main purpose of the Council deals with constitutional government, its preservation and ways and means of conducting the fight for its retention as a part of our way of life.

Following the action by the State Bars of the eleven Western States, the Council will meet again this Fall in Salt Lake City, Utah, there to determine whether the Council will be formed or plans for its formation abandoned. As I understand it, your President wants an expression from the Wyoming Bar at this meeting as to its wishes with respect to becoming a signatory to this Council.

Alfred M. Pence.

## ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION of INTERSTATE BAR COUNCIL

### PREAMBLE

In a changing world whose established order is dislocated by impact of global war and conflicting ideologies of government, with infiltration of such foreign ideologies in our own government, it is fitting and necessary for organized Bars of the western states to associate themselves together for the better discharge of public duty and for the better protection of the welfare of the legal profession.

### I. NAME

The name of the organization created by these Articles shall be “INTER-STATE BAR COUNCIL,” hereinafter referred to as “Council”.

### II. PURPOSES

The purposes of the Council shall be:

1. To explore areas of danger to the traditional form of representative

constitutional government in the United States and in several states represented by the signatories thereto.

2. To alert public thinking on the dangers threatening the American constitutional system of representative government and the traditional philosophy of free enterprise.

3. To consider and recommend to the signatories hereto methods of counter-attack in defense of the American constitutional system of representative government and the philosophy of free enterprise.

4. To consider and promote needed changes in either the expression or the exertion of constitutional government within its framework and to consider and recommend to the signatories hereto all available lawful means of resistance to any change not within such framework.

5. To devise and promote such programs as shall relate to the welfare of the profession of law including, but not limited to, admission standards, admission procedures, post-admission educational work, disciplinary procedures, improving administration of justice and unlawful practice of law.

### III. MEMBERSHIP

Membership shall be limited to state bar organizations in the western states who shall become signatories hereto. Each such state organizations shall become a member hereof upon its duly authorized officer or officers signing these Articles of Association upon its behalf and shall continue to be such member until (a) it shall resign or file written notice of withdrawal; or (b) shall be expelled by a majority vote of other members; or (c) the Council shall be disbanded by a majority vote of its member groups.

### IV. FINANCES

The Council shall have neither assets nor create liabilities. The expense of providing a meeting place for the annual meeting of the Council shall be born by the member in whose state the meeting is held. Traveling expenses of delegates shall be otherwise provided or secured. Incidental expenses of officers shall be otherwise paid than by the Council.

### V. REPRESENTATIVES

Each signatory shall be entitled to three delegates to the annual meeting of the Council and each such delegate shall be entitled to one vote in person.

### VI. OFFICERS

The representatives shall at the annual meeting each year elect by a majority vote the following officers: President, Vice President and Secretary. Each officer shall hold office for one year and until his successor is elected.

### VII. PLACE AND TIME OF ANNUAL MEETING

The Council shall meet annually at such time and place as either the delegates in annual meeting or the officers shall determine.

VIII. JURISDICTION

Nothing herein contained shall be construed to create any financial liability upon any signatory hereto or to authorize the Council to make any commitment of any kind or to declare any policy or position on any question on behalf of any signatory.

IX. ADOPTION

These Articles shall become effective upon the signing hereof by the duly authorized officers of the state bar organizations constituting the said Council.

The within Articles of Association of Interstate Bar Council are subscribed to by officers of the undersigned professional groups first thereunto duly authorized on the date set opposite each.

STATE BAR OF ARIZONA	By:
THE COLORADO STATE BAR	By:
IDAHO STATE BAR	By:
MONTANA BAR ASSOCIATION	By:
STATE BAR OF NEVADA	By:
STATE BAR OF NEW MEXICO	By:
OREGON STATE BAR	By:
WASHINGTON STATE BAR ASSOC.	By:
WYOMING STATE BAR	By:
UTAH STATE BAR	By:
THE STATE BAR OF CALIFORNIA	By:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RULES OF PRACTICE  
BEFORE STATE BOARDS

On September 3rd, 1948, the following members were appointed as a Committee to make a study of the problem of Rules of Practice before the State Boards of the State of Wyoming:

- George F. Guy, Cheyenne, Chairman
- Charles Crowell, Casper, Member
- Frank B. O'Mahoney, Worland, Member
- William Garlow, Cody, Member
- Eph U. Johnson, Rawlins, Member

This Committee was charged with the mission of making a study of the matter of Rules of Practice in cases before the Public Service Commission, the State Land Board and other State Boards. This matter had been precipitated by the action of Frank B. O'Mahoney in securing a restraining order from the District Court Commissioner of Washakie County at Worland in 1947 restraining the Public Service Commission from proceeding in a case in which an out of state attorney was appearing without having associated with local counsel.

Following the appointment of the Committee above named a resolution was adopted at the Cody meeting of the Bar which in effect notified the Public Service