Policy: Copyright

RESPONSIBILITY: GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

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Reporting Claims of Copyright Infringement

We take claims of copyright infringement seriously. We will respond to notices of alleged copyright infringement that comply with applicable law. If you believe any materials accessible on or from this website, located at http://www.arls.info (the “Website”), or accessible on or through any e-mail list maintained by us (the “List Services”), infringe your copyright, you may request removal of those materials (or access to them) by submitting written notification to our Copyright Agent (designated below). In accordance with the Online Copyright Infringement Liability Limitation Act of the Digital Millennium Copyright Act (17 U.S.C. § 512) (“DMCA”), the written notice (the “DMCA Notice”) must include substantially the following:

- Your physical or electronic signature;
- Identification of the copyrighted work you believe to have been infringed or, if the claim involves multiple works on or transmitted through the Website or List Services, a representative list of such works;
- Identification of the material you believe to be infringing in a sufficiently precise manner to allow us to locate the material;
- Adequate information by which we can contact you, including:
  - Your name,
  - Postal Address,
  - Telephone number, and
  - If available, your e-mail address;
- A statement that the information in the written notice is accurate; and
A statement, under penalty of perjury, that you are authorized to act on behalf of the copyright owner.

If you fail to comply with all of the requirements of Section 512(c)(3) of the DMCA, your DMCA Notice may not be effective. Please be aware that if you knowingly misrepresent that material or activity on the Website is infringing your copyright, you may be held liable for damages (including costs and attorney fees) under Section 512(f) of the DMCA.

Counter-Notification Procedures

If you believe that material you posted on the Website was removed or access to it was disabled by mistake or misidentification, you may file a counter-notification with us (a “Counter-Notice”) by submitting written notification to our Copyright Agent (designated below). Pursuant to the DMCA, the Counter-Notice must include substantially the following:

- Your physical or electronic signature;
- An identification of the material that has been removed or to which access has been disabled and the location at which the material appeared before it was removed or access disabled;
- Adequate information by which we can contact you, including:
  - Your name,
  - Postal Address,
  - Telephone number, and
  - If available, your e-mail address;
- A statement under penalty of perjury by you that you have a good faith belief that the material identified above was removed or disabled as a result of a mistake or misidentification of the material to be removed or disabled; and
- A statement that you will consent to the jurisdiction of the Federal District Court for the judicial district in which your address is located (or if you reside outside the United States for any judicial district in which the ARSL may be found) and that you will accept service from the person (or an agent of that person) who provided us with the DMCA Notice at issue.
The DMCA allows us to restore the removed content if the party filing the original DMCA Notice does not file a court action against you within ten business days of receiving the copy of your Counter-Notice.

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Copyright Agent

The current management company as listed on the Association website serves as our designated copyright agent to receive DMCA Notices and Counter-notices.

Repeat Infringers

It is our policy in appropriate circumstances to disable and/or terminate the accounts or subscriptions of users who are repeat infringers. Accordingly, please promptly report all instances of infringement according to the instructions contained herein.

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