

**Board Resolution
May 2008**

RESOLVED, upon recommendation of the Board Committee on Stakeholder Relations, that the Board of Governors approves the following recommendations to effectuate changes to CYLA governance:

To achieve the vision of a fully engaged State Bar entity that would champion the interests and needs of new lawyers, the following recommendations are proposed:

1. That CYLA and the State Bar take appropriate steps to transition selection of CYLA members from an election process to an appointment process, with 9 seats reserved, one for each State Bar District, and the remaining seats appointed consistent with the State Bar Appointments Policies and Procedures. Current members of the CYLA board will continue serving on the new entity until their current terms expire. The Board of Governors will fill the vacated seats through appointment.
2. CYLA will be expanded to 20 members, who are representative of the new lawyer constituents and who are interested in supporting the mission and charge of CYLA.
3. CYLA will convert the current CYLA bylaws into an official Mission and Charge, consistent with State Bar structure and format for other appointed entities, subject to Board of Governors approval.
4. CYLA will elect one new lawyer representative to a voting seat on the Board of Governors.
5. It will be understood that the current reference to new or young lawyers in all materials, rules, and procedures as "members" will refer to new and young lawyer "constituents," and changes to specific language will be made, as needed. The new lawyer "constituents" will be defined using the current criteria, e.g. attorneys age 36 and under or attorneys in practice for 5 years or less.
6. California Young Lawyers Association will retain its current name.