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## New York Law School Rules for the Maintenance of Public Order

New York Law School ("NYLS" or the "Law School") hereby adopts the following rules for the maintenance of public order on campus and other property used for Law School educational purposes ("Rules") and a program for the enforcement of these Rules. NYLS authorizes the Dean and President of the Law School to file a copy of these Rules with the Regents and the Commissioner of Education as provided in section 6430 of the New York Education Law.

### I. Rules of Conduct

- A. All members of the Law School community—students, faculty members, administrators, staff, and contractors—shall comply with city, state, and federal laws and ordinances affecting the maintenance of order on NYLS premises.
1. Conduct that violates such laws and ordinances occurring on NYLS premises may be subject to both NYLS discipline and public sanctions as circumstances may warrant.
  2. Conduct that violates such laws and ordinances occurring off NYLS premises will ordinarily not be subject to NYLS discipline, unless such conduct
    - a. in the judgment of senior members of the NYLS administration, seriously affects the interests of the Law School or the position of the member of the Law School community, or
    - b. is connected to violative conduct on Law School premises, or
    - c. violates a Law School policy that covers off-campus conduct.
- B. All members of the Law School community are prohibited from engaging in, or facilitating conduct leading to or resulting in any of the following:
1. Interference with or disruption of the regular operations and activities of the Law School.
  2. Denial of, or unreasonable interference with, the rights of others—including persons not members of the Law School community who are present as invitees or licensees—on Law School premises.
  3. Injury to NYLS property, real or personal.
  4. Unauthorized access to or occupation of nonpublic areas on Law School premises, including but not limited to classrooms, seminar rooms, libraries, faculty and administrative offices, and auditoriums.
  5. Unauthorized access to or use of NYLS property, including files and records in both electronic and paper form.
  6. Recklessly or intentionally endangering the mental or physical health of anyone or forcing anyone to consume alcohol or drugs for the purpose of initiation into or affiliation with any organization, or for any other reason.

- C. Visitors to the Law School, including invitees and licensees, shall always conduct themselves in a manner that is consistent with the maintenance of order on NYLS premises, and their privilege to remain on NYLS premises shall automatically terminate upon breach of this regulation. The Law School reserves the right in its discretion to withdraw at any time the privilege of an invitee or licensee to be on NYLS premises. A trespasser has no privilege of any kind to be on NYLS premises but is nevertheless subject to these regulations governing the maintenance of order.
- D. Any authorized NYLS employee, after properly identifying themselves, may while performing their duties request identification from anyone on the Law School campus. Refusal to identify oneself shall be considered prima facie evidence of lack of permission to be on NYLS premises.

"Authorized" employees shall include:

1. Senior members of the NYLS administration (i.e., deans and vice presidents)
2. Faculty in the performance of teaching or supervisory duties
3. NYLS security personnel.

## II. Enforcement

- A. Visitors (Invitees, Licensees, and Trespassers). When an NYLS authorized employee in their discretion determines that the privilege of an invitee or licensee to be on Law School premises should be withdrawn, they shall ask the invitee or licensee to leave the premises, and the invitation or license shall thereby be terminated. If any person, whether initially a trespasser, licensee, or invitee, fails to leave NYLS premises promptly upon request, the Law School is authorized to use all reasonable means, including calling for the assistance of the police, to effect their removal.
- B. Summary Suspension of Members of the Law School Community. Penalties for violation of these Rules shall not be imposed upon members of the NYLS community except after compliance with the disciplinary procedures applicable to students or faculty members, or members of the NYLS staff (administrative and other employees). However, summary suspension pending disciplinary proceedings may be imposed upon members of the Law School community, when, in the judgment of senior members of the NYLS administration, the presence of persons believed to have violated Law School rules poses a danger to members of the Law School community or otherwise threatens to disrupt Law School operations.
- C. Disciplinary Action. A member of the Law School community who is charged with a violation of the rules set forth in Section I above shall be subject to appropriate disciplinary action as follows:
1. Students  
For allegations relating to matters of either academic misconduct (e.g., cheating, plagiarism, forgery), or non-academic misconduct (e.g., facilitating unauthorized access to NYLS property, theft or destruction of NYLS property, bullying, harassment), discipline shall be governed by the NYLS Student Code of Conduct and Academic Responsibility.
  2. Faculty Members  
Allegations relating to faculty members shall be resolved as provided in the NYLS faculty rules if applicable or, otherwise, through appropriate human resources processes.
  3. NYLS administrative staff and other employees  
Allegations relating to staff and other employees shall be resolved through appropriate human resources processes.

4. Organizations

Any NYLS student organization which authorizes conduct prohibited under these Rules shall be subject to having its permission to use the facilities of the Law School and to operate as a NYLS organization suspended or rescinded, and its members shall be subject to any additional penalties pursuant to the penal law, any other applicable provision of law, and the NYLS Student Code of Conduct and Academic Responsibility.

D. Penalties. Penalties for violation of these Rules that may be imposed upon members of the Law School community include, but are not limited to, the following:

1. reprimand
2. censure
3. removal of privileges
4. suspension from employment
5. termination of employment
6. suspension from academic attendance
7. dismissal or expulsion from the Law School

in accordance with the applicable rules and policies of the Law School.

E. Incorporation. These Rules shall be deemed incorporated into the NYLS Student Handbook and the by-laws of all student organizations operating on the NYLS campus.