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**ARTICLE I:
FOUNDATION, PURPOSE, AND PARTIES OF
THE TRUST****FOUNDATION OF THE TRUST**

The foundation for the Fellowship Intellectual Property Trust was laid, in fact, at the 1st World Convention of Narcotics Anonymous, held November 5, 1971, in La Mirada, California, U.S.A. At that convention, the membership of the Fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous directed its World Service Board of Trustees to establish a World Service Office to serve as a central fellowship contact point, an N.A. information clearinghouse, and N.A.'s publishing agency. Since that time, the World Service Office has been the Narcotics Anonymous Fellowship's authorized publisher, holding the Fellowship's intellectual property in trust as a fiduciary of the Fellowship's primary service arms, the World Service Board of Trustees (through 1976) and the World Service Conference (from 1976 to the present).

The WSO's role as Fellowship publisher has been described in every approved N.A. service manual, from the first edition of *The N.A. Tree* (1975) to the most recent edition of *A Temporary Working Guide to our Service Structure*, as follows: "[A] major function of WSO is the publication and distribution of literature.... WSO is also responsible for the printing, warehousing, and distribution of all existing literature."

In 1982, the trust relationship was reinforced when the WSC Literature Committee specifically conveyed the copyright to the book *Narcotics Anonymous*, N.A.'s Basic Text, to World Service Office, Inc., such specific trust to be administered in accordance with the direction of the World Service Conference as given at its 1982 annual meeting.

In 1988, the trust relationship was further reinforced when the World Service Conference approved guidelines for the WSC Literature Committee, guidelines which are currently in force. Those guidelines read, in part: "After the World Literature Committee has completed its work on a piece of literature, it is turned over to the World Service Office for production and distribution. Production involves copyright registration... Literature is then sold through WSO."

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PURPOSE OF THE TRUST

33 This instrument describing the Fellowship Intellectual Property Trust commits to
34 writing the Trust relationship that has prevailed since 1973 between the Fellowship
35 of Narcotics Anonymous, the World Service Conference (and its predecessor, the
36 World Service Board of Trustees), and the World Service Office. It describes the
37 Intellectual properties held by the Trust, the parties to the Trust, the rights and
38 responsibilities of each of those parties, and the relationship between them. It
39 also describes specific means by which the rights and responsibilities of the
40 Trustee can be revoked and reassigned, and the procedure to be used in altering
41 specific provisions of the Trust instrument itself.

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PARTIES OF THE TRUST**43 Trustor: The World Service Conference**

44 The World Service Conference of Narcotics Anonymous brings regional
45 representatives of the N.A. Fellowship together with world-level trusted servants to
46 consider matters affecting N.A. as a whole and to direct N.A.'s world services. As
47 such, it is the Trustor of the Fellowship Intellectual Property Trust, and is
48 responsible for the creation, approval, revision, and decommissioning of N.A.
49 literature, trademarks, and service marks. The Trustor's specific rights and
50 responsibilities are detailed in Article III of this instrument. The service manuals
51 describing the World Service Conference are detailed in Schedule A of this
52 instrument.

53 Trustee: World Service Office, Inc.

54 World Service Office, Inc., is the corporate fiduciary of the World Service
55 Conference of Narcotics Anonymous. As such, it is the Trustee of the Fellowship
56 Intellectual Property Trust, responsible to hold, register, and protect the licenses,
57 copyrights, trademarks, and service marks composing the Trust. The Trustee is
58 responsible to use or regulate the use of those intellectual properties in a manner
59 consistent with the Instructions of the Trustor in service to the Beneficiary, the
60 Fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous. The Trustee's specific rights and
61 responsibilities are detailed in Article IV of this instrument.

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62 **Beneficiary: the Fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous**
63 The Beneficiary of the Fellowship Intellectual Property Trust is the Fellowship of
64 Narcotics Anonymous. The Beneficiary's specific rights and responsibilities are
65 detailed in Article V of this Instrument.

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ARTICLE II.

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTIES HELD IN TRUST

IDENTITY OF INTELLECTUAL PROPERTIES HELD IN TRUST

Twelve Steps, Twelve Traditions

By license agreement with Alcoholics Anonymous World Services, Inc., the Trust holds all rights to the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions as adapted for use by the Fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous, listed in Schedule B of this Instrument.

Trademarks, service marks

Trademarks and service marks held by the Trust include the name "Narcotics Anonymous," the stylized N.A. initials in a double circle, and the four-sided diamond enclosed in a circle. The Trust holds the originals of these marks and their translated, adapted, and hybrid forms. The Trust's trademark and service mark registrations are detailed in Schedule C of this Instrument.

Copyrights

The Trust holds copyrights for all books, booklets, pamphlets, and service guides, both in original and in translation, that have been approved by the World Service Conference or its predecessors. The Trust holds copyrights for all volumes and numbers, both in original and in translation, of *The N.A. Way Magazine*, a periodical publication created and directed by the World Service Conference. The Trust holds copyrights for all literary works in progress, both in original and in translation, developed by the World Service Conference, its boards, and its committees. The Trust's copyright registrations are detailed in Schedule D of this Instrument.

**NATURE OF AUTHORSHIP OF THE TRUST'S
COPYRIGHTED LITERATURE**

With the exception of the book *Narcotics Anonymous*, the Trustee is registered as the author of all Trust literary properties for purposes of copyrights. With the exception of the book *Narcotics Anonymous*, all Trust literary properties are registered as works made for hire.

For purposes of copyright, the book *Narcotics Anonymous* is registered as a collective work authored by the World Service Conference Literature Committee.

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97 The author, in its capacity as a subsidiary unit of the Trustor, the World Service
98 Conference of Narcotics Anonymous, conveyed all rights to the book *Narcotics*
99 *Anonymous* to the Trustee, World Service Office, Inc., on September 15, 1982, to
100 be used in accordance with the provisions dictated by the Trustor in its annual
101 meeting of May 5-9, 1982. - - - - -

102 For the purpose of copyright, all literary properties created henceforth by the
103 Trustor are to be considered works made for hire, authored by the Trustee. The
104 creation of all new or revised Trust literary properties will be commissioned by the
105 World Service Conference, either directly or through a subordinate board or
106 committee. The process used to create those properties, from commencement
107 to conclusion, will be under the constant control of the World Service Conference,
108 exercised directly or by a subordinate board or committee. Individuals who take
109 part in the creation of those properties will do so as employees, whether salaried
110 or volunteer, with full knowledge of the commissioning and controlling interests of
111 the World Service Conference. The authorship of these properties will be
112 registered in the name of the Trustee as the corporate fiduciary of the Trustor.

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**ARTICLE III
RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES
OF THE TRUSTOR**

GENERAL RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

The World Service Conference of Narcotics Anonymous, Trustor of the Fellowship Intellectual Property Trust, is the body given authority by the N.A. Fellowship to make decisions and deliver services effecting the N.A. Fellowship as a whole. As such, the Trustor has sole authority to approve the revision of the N.A. Fellowship's adaptation of the Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions. The Trustor and its designated agents have sole authority to commission, direct, and approve the creation, revision, translation, publication, and distribution of books, booklets, informational pamphlets, service guides, and periodicals for and on behalf of the N.A. Fellowship. The Trustor and its designated agents have sole authority to create, revise, translate, adapt, hybridize, and regulate the use of trademarks and service marks for and on behalf of the N.A. Fellowship.

PREDECESSOR TO THE WORLD SERVICE CONFERENCE

The World Service Board of Trustees of Narcotics Anonymous and its agents, from its founding until the first meeting of the World Service Conference on November 13, 1976, had sole authority to make decisions and deliver services effecting the N.A. Fellowship as a whole. Upon the creation of the World Service Conference, the World Service Board's authority passed to the Conference.

WSC BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

The World Service Conference of Narcotics Anonymous accomplishes its tasks, including those tasks having to do with the Trust, through subsidiary boards and committees and, from time to time, through ad hoc committees. The Conference may dissolve existing boards and committees and create new boards and committees. The Conference may select the leadership and composition of its boards and committees. The Conference may delegate portions of its authority to its subsidiary boards and committees. However, in all matters and at all times, these boards and committees are subject to the direction of the World Service Conference.

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144 The specific purpose, function, authority, and composition of each of the
145 Conference's standing subsidiary boards and committees, and the relationship
146 between them and the Conference, is described in the relevant guidelines and
147 handbooks approved by the World Service Conference. The Conference
148 regulates its ad hoc committees through motions passed at its annual meeting,
149 recorded in its Minutes. The subsidiary boards and committees of the World
150 Service Conference of Narcotics Anonymous, and the guidelines, handbooks, or
151 motions pertaining to each, are detailed in Schedule E of this Instrument.

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**ADDITION, REVISION, OR DELETION OF
PROPERTIES FROM THE TRUST BY THE TRUSTOR**

154 The Trustor, and only the Trustor, may add properties to the Trust, delete
155 properties from the Trust, or revise the content or nature of Trust properties.
156 Such proposals must be distributed to voting participants of the World Service
157 Conference no less than ninety days prior to the annual meeting at which the
158 proposals will be considered. For such a proposal to be approved, two-thirds of
159 the Conference's voting participants recorded as present in the roll call
160 immediately prior to the vote must vote "yes" to the proposal.

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**ARTICLE IV
RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES
OF THE TRUSTEE**

IDENTIFICATION OF TRUSTEE

World Service Office, Inc., a California public benefit corporation, is Trustee of the Fellowship Intellectual Property Trust. Its by-laws are filed with the California Secretary of State.

GENERAL RESPONSIBILITIES FOR TRUST PROPERTIES

The Trustee shall hold in a fiduciary capacity the ownership rights to the control, use, printing, duplicating, sales, distribution, licensing for production, printing, duplicating, sales, and use of all Trust properties as may be directed by the Trustor.

FIDUCIARY RELATIONSHIP TO TRUSTOR

The Trustee is a service entity which functions within the totality of the Fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous. In so doing, it endorses the aims, goals, and purposes of the Fellowship. The Trustee, including Trust directors and officers, is and shall be subject to, and will abide by, the principles of the Twelve Traditions of Narcotics Anonymous as set forth in the book *Narcotics Anonymous*. The Trustee shall further abide by motions adopted by the Trustor at each World Service Conference meeting, and shall implement decisions reached by the Trustor as they pertain to the administration of the Trust. It is herein specifically acknowledged that the Trustee acts as a fiduciary in its dealings with and on behalf of the Trustor.

NONPARTISAN ACTIVITIES

The Trustee shall be nonprofit and nonpartisan. No substantial part of the activities of the Trustee shall consist of the publication or dissemination of materials with the purpose of attempting to influence legislation, and the Trustee shall not participate or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office or for or against any cause or measure being submitted to the people for a vote.

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ELECTION OF TRUST DIRECTORS

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192 The Trustee is a corporate entity controlled by a board composed of twelve
193 directors. Three directors shall be appointed each year by the Trustor to serve
194 one-year terms. Nine directors shall be elected by the Trust board to serve three-
195 year terms. These nine directors shall be elected from a pool of candidates who
196 have been individually approved by a majority of World Service Conference voting
197 participants.

INDEMNIFICATION

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199 To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Trustee shall indemnify its directors,
200 officers, employees, and other persons described in Section 523 (a) of the
201 California Corporations Code, including persons formerly occupying any such
202 position, against all expenses, judgments, fines, settlements, and other amounts
203 actually and reasonably incurred by them in connection with any "proceeding," as
204 that term is used in that Section, and including an action by or in the right of the
205 Trustee, by reason of the fact that the person is or was a person described in that
206 section. "Expenses," as used here, shall have the same meaning as in Section
207 5238 (a) of the California Code. Procedures for the approval of indemnity,
208 advancement of expenses, and insurance shall be described in the Trustee's by-
209 laws.

COMPENSATION OF TRUST DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS

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211 Trust directors and officers shall serve without compensation, but may be
212 reimbursed for the personal expenses they incur in their service to the Trust.

213 No Trust director, officer, employee, or other person connected with the
214 Trustee, or any other private individual, shall receive at any time any of the net
215 earnings or pecuniary profit generated by the Trust, provided that this provision
216 shall not prevent payment to any such person of reasonable compensation for
217 services rendered to or for the Trustee affecting its purposes, as shall be fixed by
218 the Trustee.

REGISTRATION OF TRUST PROPERTIES

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220 The Trustee shall be obligated to properly register the Trust's copyrights,
221 trademarks, service marks, both in their original forms and in their translated,
222 adapted, or hybrid forms, in the United States and other countries where those
223 properties are used or are likely to be used, in accordance with the provisions of

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224 United States law and all applicable international intellectual property rights
225 treaties.

226 **MANUFACTURE, DISTRIBUTION, AND SALE OF PRODUCTS**

227 The Trustee shall control and manage the production, printing, manufacture,
228 or reproduction of products using Trust properties, and shall offer such products
229 for sale to the Beneficiary and the general public. The Trustee may license
230 others, or enter into covenants not to sue others, who may then manufacture,
231 distribute, and sell products using Trust properties.

232 **TRUSTEE AUTHORITY WITHOUT NOTICE OR PERMISSION**

233 The Trustee may take the following decisions relative to administration of the Trust
234 without prior notice to or permission of the Trustor:

- 235 1. The Trustee has complete discretion as to the manufacturing format of
236 products generated from Trust properties, including appearance, design,
237 typeface, paper grade, binding, cover, ink, or other material.
- 238 2. The Trustee has complete discretion to develop new manufactured products
239 by compiling a number of approved copyrighted Trust properties, or portions
240 thereof, and publishing them as a single volume.
- 241 3. The Trustee has complete discretion in the management of all affairs related
242 to the perpetuation of the Trust's business, including contracts, leases,
243 licenses, covenants, manufacturing specifications, inventory and production
244 quantities, distribution and marketing policies and programs, and pricing of
245 products generated from Trust properties.

246 **TRUSTEE OBLIGATION FOR NOTICE**

247 The Trustee must notify the Trustor at least ninety days prior to any given annual
248 Trustor meeting of the Trustee's intent to publish or otherwise manufacture a
249 product based on an alteration of any Trust property. The Trustee may not
250 publish or manufacture such a product prior to that annual meeting.

251 **UTILIZATION OF REVENUES**

252 From the revenues accruing from licenses, covenants, or sale of products
253 generated from Trust properties, the Trustee shall provide services as directed by
254 the Trustor, including the following services.

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255 The Trustee shall provide administrative, organizational, and logistical services
256 to the World Service Conference of Narcotics Anonymous and the Fellowship of
257 Narcotics Anonymous at large in whatever capacities the Trustor may desire or
258 direct.

259 The Trustee shall provide service to individual addicts and groups of addicts
260 seeking recovery from addiction, and shall assist the general public in
261 understanding addiction and the Narcotics Anonymous program for recovery
262 from addiction. Such assistance may include direct and indirect communication
263 with addicts, organizations, agencies, governments, and the public at large.

264 The Trustee shall publish and distribute periodicals written or prepared by and
265 for the Fellowship of Narcotics Anonymous as it may be directed by the Trustor.

266 The Trustee shall not, except in an insubstantial degree, utilize revenues
267 generated from Trust properties to engage in any activities or exercise any
268 powers that are not in furtherance of the purposes described above.

269

DISBURSEMENT OF TRUST REVENUE

270 The Trustee shall hold and manage in a fiduciary capacity the income
271 produced by any of the activities described above in such manner that the other
272 purposes outlined or assumed or as may be later assigned are satisfactorily
273 accomplished when such is done within the spirit of the Twelve Steps and Twelve
274 Traditions of Narcotics Anonymous, subject to the direction of the Trustor.

275 Certified auditing

276 Each year, the Trustee shall contract with a certified public accountant who will
277 conduct a review audit of the Trust's fiscal activity. In addition, every five years
278 the Trustee shall contract with a certified public accountant who will conduct a
279 certified process audit to evaluate the internal policies and procedures used by
280 the Trustee in administering the Trust, their effectiveness, and the Trustee's
281 adherence thereto. The results of these audits shall be published to the Trustor at
282 or before its annual meeting.

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PROTECTION OF TRUST PROPERTIES

284 Conceptual notes

285 This section describes a process to protect the Trust's intellectual properties. It
286 allows the Trustee to respond in a timely manner to infringement of the Trust's
287 copyright, trademark, and service mark registrations, and to inform the fellowship

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288 of the problem. It also gives the Trustee the authority to settle the problem in the
289 best interests of the Beneficiary.

290 Procedures

291 The Trustee shall have the authority to protect the Trust properties from
292 infringement at its discretion without seeking prior approval of the Trustor. The
293 Trustee will utilize the following process to proceed with protection of the Trust
294 properties.

- 295 1. Before legal proceedings are initiated, the Trustee will request that all
296 infringing parties cease and desist their infringement.
- 297 2. The Trustee will seek to resolve the infringement prior to filing formal litigation.
- 298 3. At least three-quarters of the Trust directors must approve a proposal to file
299 suit.
- 300 4. The Trustee's intent to file suit must be ratified by at least two-thirds of the
301 members of the World Service Board before suit may be filed.
- 302 5. At least ninety days prior to filing, the Trustee will report to all World Service
303 Conference participants its intent to file infringement suit.
- 304 6. Once filed, settlement of infringement litigation shall be at the discretion of the
305 Trustee and of the chairperson and vice chairperson of the World Service
306 Board.

307

TRUSTEE REPORTING OBLIGATION

308 Each year, the Trustee is required to give a full written report of its activities to the
309 Trustor. This report shall be delivered to all voting participants of the World
310 Service Conference at or before its annual meeting, and shall be available at cost
311 or less to any Narcotics Anonymous member. This report shall include:

- 312 1. A certified audit of the Trust for the previous year. Additionally, every five
313 years it shall include a certified process audit of the Trustee's fiscal
314 management procedures.
- 315 2. A description of all Trustee activities funded from proceeds generated by the
316 Trust in the previous year.
- 317 3. A budget and project-description for Trustee activities planned for the coming
318 year.

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322**ARTICLE V:
RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES
OF THE BENEFICIARY**

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FELLOWSHIP USE OF TRUST PROPERTIES

324 All Trust properties, including N.A.'s adapted Twelve Steps and Twelve Traditions,
325 published N.A. literature, and N.A.'s trademarks and service marks are to be
326 made available for the use of the Beneficiary, the Fellowship of Narcotics
327 Anonymous. The Beneficiary, however, cannot dispose of Trust properties, nor
328 can it make use of Trust properties in such a way as to damage them or diminish
329 their usefulness.

330

BENEFICIARY IMPACT ON THE TRUST

331 The Beneficiary may take part in decisions affecting the Trust through the
332 established Narcotics Anonymous service structure, as described in the most
333 recent Narcotics Anonymous service manual. (See Schedule A.)

334

INSPECTION OF TRUSTEE ACTIVITIES

335 Any regional service committee may inspect the records and operations of the
336 Trust on behalf of the Beneficiary, provided the following conditions are met.

337 Conceptual notes

338 This section allows the Fellowship to review the records of the World Service
339 Office if there is sufficient reason for concern. The organization of this section
340 makes the assumption that if a full region desires a hands-on inspection of WSO
341 records, and is willing to pay for it, then that would demonstrate sufficient
342 concern. All WSO records would be open to the inspection, except personnel
343 records; U.S. federal employment codes require that employers keep these
344 records completely confidential. Because the inspection team described in this
345 section would include a WSO director, it would not require any change in the
346 WSO by-laws (see WSO by-laws, Section 9.03). The inspection team would be
347 led by a member of the World Service Board, who is intended to serve as
348 mediator and controller of the inspection. The reporting coming out of the
349 inspection is designed to be objective, and its results are to be distributed to all
350 Conference participants. This inspection procedure can do two things:

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- 350 1. It can defuse controversy by thoroughly and objectively investigating any
351 suspicion of impropriety on the part of the WSO in its administration of the
352 Trust, and
353 2. It allows for open communication, good or bad, thereby removing the air of
354 suspicion and doubt, as well as bringing the Conference participants into the
355 solutions.

356 Conditions of inspection

- 357 1. A region's motion to conduct an inspection of the Trust must be approved by
358 more than two-thirds of the regional service committee's voting participants.
359 2. The regional service committee wishing to inspect the Trust will assume the
360 full expense of the inspection, including the expenses of the two members of
361 the World Service Board and the one Trust director who will take part in the
362 inspection.
363 3. The regional service committee will present a written request for inspection of
364 the Trust, detailing its concerns and any particular areas of Trust operations it
365 wishes to inspect.

366 Selection of inspection team

- 367 1. The regional service committee requesting the inspection will select two
368 members of the World Service Board for inclusion on the inspection team.
369 These two members will facilitate the inspection.
370 2. The regional service committee requesting the inspection will designate one
371 of its participants to be included on the inspection team.
372 3. The Trust board will include either its treasurer or another Trust director on
373 the inspection team.

374 Inspection limitation

375 A Trust inspection conducted by a regional service committee on behalf of the
376 Beneficiary may examine any aspect of the Trustee's operations, including all
377 records, with the exception of the Trustee's personnel records.

378 Report of inspection

- 379 1. One of the two inspection team members drawn from the World Service
380 Board will develop a report of the team's findings relative to the region's
381 stated concerns. The report will include full documentation for the inspection
382 team's findings.

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- 383 2. The final report, along with a copy of the original request for inspection, will
384 then be published in the next *Fellowship Report*.

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**ARTICLE VI
REVOCATION AND REASSIGNMENT OF THE
TRUSTEE'S RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

The Trustee's rights and responsibilities may be revoked and reassigned to another party by the Trustor, provided the following conditions are met.

CONCEPTUAL NOTES

This section provides for a two-stage approach to the revocation and reassignment of Trustee rights and responsibilities. The plan is based on the fact that revocation of the Trustee's responsibilities is a major organizational move on our part, and should only be done if there is serious widespread concern about the Trustee's ability to fulfill its responsibilities, and only after thorough review.

The first stage of the revocation process describes the means by which it is determined whether there is substantial concern about the Trust's administration. If the concern is substantial, the World Service Conference must then approve consideration by a majority.

The second stage of the revocation process describes the actual consideration, revocation, and reassignment. This stage takes a year to complete, allowing plenty of time for discussion and broad Fellowship input. The committee created to study the revocation proposal is composed of a cross-section of World Service Conference participants, with a member of the World Service Board in the driver's seat. The decision to revoke the Trustee's rights and responsibilities requires approval of three-fourths of the Conference, insuring substantial consensus on so weighty a decision.

CONSIDERATION OF REVOCATION

1. Either ten regional service committees or the World Service Board must submit to the World Service Conference a written petition to revoke the rights and responsibilities of the Trustee.
2. In order for the petition to be considered, two-thirds of the voting participants of all ten regional service committees, or two-thirds of the members of the World Service Board, must approve the petition.

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- 415 3. In order to be considered at any given annual meeting of the World Service
416 Conference, such a petition must be received between June 1 and December
417 31 of the previous year.
- 418 4. If the above criteria are met, the petition will be placed on the agenda of the
419 next annual meeting of the World Service Conference. Statements of the
420 petitioners will be published with the petition itself in the *Conference Agenda*
421 *Report*.

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REVOCATION PROCESS

- 423 1. A majority of the voting participants of the World Service Conference must
424 approve before proceeding with the revocation process.
- 425 2. An ad hoc committee will be appointed by the chairperson of the Conference.
426 The committee will consist of the following:
427 a. four regional service representatives
428 b. the chairperson of the Trust board
429 c. one member of the WSC Administrative Committee
430 d. three members of the World Service Board, one of whom will chair the
431 committee
- 432 3. This committee will hold two forums during the upcoming year to receive
433 fellowship input, and will provide accounts of those forums in the *Fellowship*
434 *Report*.
- 435 4. In addition to those forums, the committee will meet at least twice, and will
436 provide accounts of its meetings in the *Fellowship Report*.
- 437 4. At the conclusion of its study, this committee will prepare a written report to
438 be included in the *Conference Agenda Report*, along with any motions or
439 recommendations related to the proposed revocation.
- 440 5. Any World Service Conference motion to revoke the Trustee's rights and
441 responsibilities arising from the committee's study will require approval of
442 three-fourths of the voting Conference participants recorded as present in the
443 roll call immediately prior to the vote.

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REASSIGNMENT OF TRUSTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

- 445 Should the Trustee's rights and responsibilities be revoked, the World Service
446 Conference will immediately assign those rights and responsibilities to the entity it
447 wishes to administer the Trust.

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ARTICLE VII

REVISION OF TRUST INSTRUMENT

CONCEPTUAL NOTE

This section is a simple process for revision of the Trust Instrument itself. It allows forethought before the actual decisions are made, and requires a substantial majority for passage. This is to insure that there is substantial consensus, hopefully guaranteeing Fellowship unity behind any change in the way its Intellectual Property Trust is established.

PROCEDURE

Schedules C and D of this instrument should be revised periodically by the Trustee to reflect current copyright, trademark, and service mark registrations.

Schedules A and E of this instrument should be revised periodically by the WSC Administrative Committee to reflect Conference actions to revise or decommission existing service manuals, to approve new service manuals, or to commission or decommission subsidiary boards or committees of the Conference.

Other provisions of this instrument may be changed only under the following conditions:

1. Any motion to review proposed revisions to the Trust Instrument must receive the approval of a majority of voting participants of the World Service Conference.
2. After such review is approved by the Conference, proposed revisions will be open for a six-month review and input period, after which the proposed revisions will be presented in the *Conference Agenda Report* for adoption.
3. A motion to adopt any proposed revisions to the Trust Instrument will require approval of three-fourths of those Conference voting participants noted as present on the roll call immediately preceding the vote.

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ARTICLE VIII:
CERTIFICATE OF AUTHENTICITY

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TRUST REGISTRATION

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If the Fellowship Intellectual Property Trust instrument is adopted, this section will

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show the Instrument's registration in Los Angeles County.

**ARTICLE VI:
REVOCATION AND REASSIGNMENT OF THE
TRUSTEE'S RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

Conceptual notes. *This article provides for a two-stage approach to the revocation and reassignment of Trustee rights and responsibilities. The plan is based on the fact that revocation of the Trustee's responsibilities would be a major organizational move, and should be done only if there is serious widespread concern about the Trustee's ability to fulfill its responsibilities, and only after thorough review.*

The first stage of the revocation process describes the means by which it will be determined whether there is substantial concern about the Trust's administration. If so, the World Service Conference must then approve consideration by a majority.

The second stage of the revocation process describes the actual consideration, revocation, and reassignment. This stage takes a year to complete, allowing time for discussion and Fellowship input. The committee created to study the revocation proposal is composed of a cross-section of World Service Conference participants, with a member of the World Service Board of Trustees chairing the committee. The decision to revoke the Trustee's rights and responsibilities requires approval of three-fourths of the Conference, insuring substantial consensus on so weighty a decision.

SECTION 1: CONSIDERATION OF REVOCATION

The Trustee's rights and responsibilities may be revoked and reassigned to another party by the Trustor, provided the following conditions are met.

1. Either ten regional service committees or the World Service Board of Trustees must submit to the World Service Conference Administrative Committee a written petition to revoke the rights and responsibilities of the Trustee.
2. In order for the petition to be considered, two-thirds of the voting participants of all ten regional service committees, or two-thirds of the members of the World Service Board of Trustees, must approve the petition.

3. In order to be considered at any given annual meeting of the World Service Conference, such a petition must be received between June 1 and December 31 of the previous year, to allow time for the petition to be distributed to Conference participants.
4. If the above criteria are met, the petition will be placed on the agenda of the next annual meeting of the World Service Conference. Statements of the petitioners will be published with the petition itself in the *Conference Agenda Report*.

SECTION 2: REVOCATION PROCESS

1. A majority of the voting participants of the World Service Conference must approve before proceeding with the revocation process.
2. An ad hoc committee will be appointed by the chairperson of the Conference. The committee will consist of the following:
 - a. four regional service representatives
 - b. the chairperson of the board of directors of the corporation designated as Trustee
 - c. one member of the WSC Administrative Committee
 - d. three members of the World Service Board of Trustees, one of whom will chair the committee
3. This committee will hold two forums during the upcoming year to receive fellowship input, and will provide accounts of those forums in the *Fellowship Report*.
4. In addition to those forums, the committee will meet at least twice, and will provide accounts of its meetings in the *Fellowship Report*.
4. At the conclusion of its study, this committee will prepare a written report to be included in the *Conference Agenda Report*, along with any motions or recommendations related to the proposed revocation.
5. Any World Service Conference motion to revoke the Trustee's rights and responsibilities arising from the committee's study will require approval of three-fourths of the voting Conference participants recorded as present in the roll call immediately prior to the vote.

SECTION 3: REASSIGNMENT OF TRUSTEE RESPONSIBILITIES

Should the Trustee's rights and responsibilities be revoked, the Trustor will immediately direct the Trustee to assign those rights and responsibilities either to

the Trustor or to the entity the Trustor wishes to administer the Trust. The Trustee shall comply immediately with such direction.

**ARTICLE VII:
REVISION OF TRUST RULES AND
INSTRUMENT**

Conceptual note. *This article is a simple process for revision of the Trust operational rules and, more significantly, of the Trust instrument itself. It allows forethought before the actual decisions are made, and requires a substantial majority for passage. This is to assure that there is substantial consensus, hopefully guaranteeing Fellowship unity behind any change in the way its Intellectual Property Trust is established.*

SECTION 1: REVISION OF TRUST OPERATIONAL RULES

The Trust operational rules may be revised by the Trustor under the procedures normally applied to changes in Trustor policy.

SECTION 2: REVISION OF TRUST INSTRUMENT

Provisions of the Trust instrument may be changed only under the following conditions:

1. Any motion to review proposed revisions to the Trust instrument must receive the approval of a majority of voting participants of the World Service Conference.
2. After such review is approved by the Conference, proposed revisions will be open for a six-month review and input period, after which the proposed revisions will be presented in the *Conference Agenda Report* for adoption.
3. A motion to adopt any proposed revisions to the Trust instrument will require approval of three-fourths of those Conference voting participants noted as present on the roll call immediately preceding the vote.

**SCHEDULE A
TWELVE STEPS AND TWELVE TRADITIONS, AS
ADAPTED FOR USE BY THE FELLOWSHIP OF
NARCOTICS ANONYMOUS**

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TWELVE STEPS

1. We admitted that we were powerless over our addiction, that our lives had become unmanageable.
2. We came to believe that a Power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity.
3. We made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God as we *understood Him*.
4. We made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves.
5. We admitted to God, to ourselves, and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs.
6. We were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character.
7. We humbly asked Him to remove our shortcomings.
8. We made a list of all persons we had harmed, and became willing to make amends to them all.
9. We made direct amends to such people wherever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others.
10. We continued to take personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it.
11. We sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God as we *understood Him*, praying only for knowledge of His will for us and the power to carry that out.
12. Having had a spiritual awakening as a result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to addicts, and to practice these principles in all our affairs.

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TWELVE TRADITIONS

1. Our common welfare should come first; personal recovery depends on N.A. unity.
2. For our group purpose there is but one ultimate authority--a loving God as He may express Himself in our group conscience. Our leaders are but trusted servants; they do not govern.
3. The only requirement for membership is a desire to stop using.
4. Each group should be autonomous except in matters affecting other groups or N.A. as a whole.
5. Each group has but one primary purpose--to carry the message to the addict who still suffers.
6. An N.A. group ought never endorse, finance, or lend the N.A. name to any related facility or outside enterprise, lest problems of money, property, or prestige divert us from our primary purpose.
7. Every N.A. group ought to be fully self-supporting, declining outside contributions.
8. Narcotics Anonymous should remain forever nonprofessional, but our service centers may employ special workers.
9. N.A., as such, ought never be organized; but we may create service boards or committees directly responsible to those they serve.
10. Narcotics Anonymous has no opinion on outside issues; hence the N.A. name ought never be drawn into public controversy.
11. Our public relations policy is based on attraction rather than promotion; we need always maintain personal anonymity at the level of press, radio, and films.
12. Anonymity is the spiritual foundation of all our traditions, ever reminding us to place principles before personalities.