

Southwestern Law School Inn of Court: Succession Plan

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Under the chapter bylaws, the President typically serves for two years. After completing their term, the President becomes the Counselor. The Counselor acts as or in place of the President if the President is unable to serve or participate in a certain event or activity.

The April before the President's term ends, the Executive Committee selects a nominee from among its current members. The Executive Committee also nominates the other officers. The slate of officers is presented at the Meeting of the Masters for a vote.

If no current member of the Executive Committee is willing to serve as President, the Executive Committee may recruit a Master from the Inn as the nominee. A past President is allowed to serve additional terms as President, but that should not be the norm. If necessary, the Executive Committee may also recruit non-Executive Committee members to serve in other officer positions.

If the President resigns with more than six months remaining on a term, the Executive Committee will nominate a new President and call a Meeting of the Masters for a vote.

In each even-numbered year, or in another year if needed, the Executive Committee makes a call to the general membership for those interested in serving on the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee makes a concerted effort to select members from across Masters, Barristers, and Associates to help ensure a strong leadership pipeline and allow more experienced members to mentor newer Executive Committee members.