ARTICLE V - POWERS AND DUTIES

Section 1: Presidential Duties

The president shall be an ex officio member, without vote, of all Boards and standing committees, except the audit, awards, elections, fellows, and nominations committees, and also of the committees and boards of the IEEE and other organizations as designated by the Board.

The president is the chief elected officer of the Computer Society. The president shall serve as a franchised member ex officio and chair of the Board of Governors and the Executive Committee.

The president shall serve as a franchised member ex officio of the Constitution & Bylaws, Finance, Intersociety Cooperation and Planning Committees.

The president shall serve as an ex officio member, without vote, of the History Committee and all Computer Society Boards. As designated by the Board of Governors, the president shall serve as a member of IEEE committees and boards and other organizations.

The president shall not be an ex officio member of the Audit, Awards, Elections, Fellow Evaluating and Nominations Committees.

The president shall appoint the vice presidents, other than the first and second vice presidents, with the advice and consent of the Board of Governors, and shall appoint the Board and standing committee chairpersons unless otherwise specified herein. The president may appoint such ad hoc committees as he/she may deem desirable. The president shall appoint representatives to duly constituted organizations as may be provided for by the Society or the IEEE. The president may, with the consent of the Board, designate these representatives as ex officio non-voting members of the Board. The president may declare vacant positions for which the president has sole power of appointment, or for which the president delegates the authority to appoint.

In the absence of established procedures, the president serves as a point of conflict resolution for the Society. When conflicts are brought to the attention of the president, the president appoints an ad hoc conflict resolution committee consisting of at least three disinterested members who have no prior involvement in the issue. Additional experts can be added to the committee as needed. All deliberations of the committee should be handled in a confidential manner. The conflict resolution committee should make a recommendation on the conflict resolution to the president in 30 days from the time they receive their charge.