



## **IILA Constitution & By Laws Committee**

### **Report on Progress for the AGM**

A decision was taken by the Board following the 2008 AGM, that the current Rules & Regulations of the IILA be reviewed with a view to updating their relevance and application. This was prioritised in view of their ready availability on our new web site.

A Sub Committee was subsequently formed as part of the Constitution & By Laws Committee comprising the President, Mr T Moss, Director at Large Mr T Wheeler and 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President Mr B Demnar.

The initial task set for the Sub Committee was to carefully consider the structure and content of the Institute's Constitution and By Laws and Rules & Regulations, in order that any revisions would be finalised and ready for consideration at the 2009 AGM.

The current Constitution And By Laws represent the 10<sup>th</sup> Revision, and comprises 38 numbered items. That document makes reference to Rules and Regulations (Item 21), however, there is a separate document identified as Rules And Regulations Of The International Institute Of Loss Adjusters, Inc, which comprises nine Articles. Investigation revealed that the last amendments to those Rules and Regulations became effective on 26 May, 2000.

While the Rules and Regulations should follow the Constitution and By Laws, or at least be consistent with them, the normal course would have been to address any changes within the Constitution and By Laws first, before then moving to the Rules & Regulations. However, as any amendments to the Constitution and By Laws must be submitted to and authorized by the Canadian Government, which would be a lengthy and onerous process, it was decided that the Committee should first focus on the Rules & Regulations.

The advantage of that approach was that changes to the Rules & Regulations could be made without Government ratification, given that Item 21 of the Constitution and By Laws gives the Institute Board the power to prescribe appropriate Rules and Regulations.

Following a careful review of the Rules & Regulations, the Sub Committee substantially revised the content to better reflect the Institute's requirements. A copy of the redrafted Rules & Regulations are attached for the considerations of Members. (Draft dated 18 September 2009)