

# WAML

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### Steps to becoming a Member (online)

- Visit our [www.thewaml.com](http://www.thewaml.com) web site
- Complete the application form
- Pay the application fee and first year dues for a total of \$200
- Executive Committee reviews your application
- Upon approval you will receive a welcome letter and Certificate of Membership

### During a Congress

- Fill out application form
- Pay application fee and first year dues for a total of \$200
- Application will be reviewed for proper credentials
- Temporary membership card issued
- Certificate of Membership will be mailed separately

### Annual Membership

- Annual membership dues are \$100 USD

# World Association for Medical Law

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### World and International Meetings

The WAML has organized meetings around the world

- Ghent, Belgium (1967)
- Washington DC, ( 1970)
- Ghent, Belgium (1973)
- Manila, Philippines (1976)
- Ghent, Belgium (1979) to (1991)
- Jerusalem, Israel (1994)
- Sun City, South Africa (1996)
- Balaton Lake, Hungary (1998)
- Helsinki, Finland (2000)
- Maastricht, the Netherlands (2002)
- Sydney, Australia (2004)
- Seoul, Korea (2005)\*
- Toulouse, France (2006)
- Beijing, China (2008)
- Zagreb, Croatia (2010)
- Maceió, Brasil (2012)

\* International Congress

# World Association for Medical Law

# Membership Benefits

## The World Association for Medical Law (WAML)

was founded in 1967 to encourage the study of health law, legal medicine and bioethics and to explore ways in which these can be used to benefit humanity and advance human rights

- These concepts have even more importance for the 21st century than they did almost half a century ago
- Health law, bioethics and legal medicine in the 21st century will necessarily be different from that of the last century, both in essence and scope, but the philosophy that underpinned the formation of WAML remains as valid today as it did then
- Qualified people are essential to formulate new concepts and to advise as to their application within the evolving spheres of medicine, law and bioethics
- It is the duty of today's leaders to not only build the structure and establish the procedures that will constitute the medical law and legal medicine of tomorrow, but also to respect humanity and to advance human rights. This need has not, and will not, change
- The role of the WAML remains as valid today as it did in 1967. The world is becoming smaller, the capacity to share ideas ever greater and medical and legal knowledge is expanding at an ever increasing rate
- The WAML offers the opportunity for like-minded people to come together on an international scale to meet the needs of the societies which they represent and to share their experiences and wisdom to assist each other

- Membership of the WAML means being part of a most prestigious professional organization with close links to the World Health Organization. It allows the membership to be part of the international scene in health law, legal medicine and bioethics
- Participation in WAML activities and functions, serving on committees and being involved in study groups allows a real interface with international colleagues and a chance to both learn from and to teach world leaders in fields which relate to mutual interests
- Access to other members opens doors to gain from their experience, knowledge and wisdom
- Members receive the quarterly journal *Medicine & Law* and the quarterly newsletter prepared by members
- Members receive discounted rates to WAML activities, Congress registration and merchandise
- Membership certificate confirms that the member has been accepted onto the world stage of health law, legal medicine and bioethics
- There is an opportunity to join the Council of Presidents and to influence the conduct both of Member's local association and that of WAML. It offers those local organizations access to the combined experience of many groups, similar to their own, and allows leaders in the field a much wider forum to develop procedures which mirror the best in the world

