willamerican club of Lisbon Board of Directors APPLICATION

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EDUCATION: Law degree (1994), LLM in Intellectual Property (1997), PhD in International

Copyright and the Challenges of Technology (2002)

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How many years have you been a member of ACL? 6 years

What ideas, goals and visions do you have for ACL? My primary objective, in light of the fact that I will be running on the ticket of a candidate for the presidency of the Club, is to provide support in carrying out his vision (as outlined in his application form)

If you are elected to the Board, what specific contribution would you like to make and what abilities, would you bring to bear in making those contributions? I aim to play a role (as I have done in the past 3 years) in helping guarantee adherence to the Club' Bylaws - a foundational aspect of our organization's governance. Furthermore, I am committed to facilitating the necessary update of said bylaws, to ensure they remain relevant, effective and law compliant. As before, the referred role will be carried out on the basis of a pro bono legal insight, unencumbered by any potential conflicts of interest. My reflections and observations have been and will continue to be irrevocably anchored in my desire to ensure the ongoing vitality and continuity of a flourishing Club that has consistently delivered immense value and service to our wonderful community.

Patricia Aflester

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