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December 2, 2025

*Submitted via Pay.gov*

RE: Institute for the Advancement of Legal and Ethical AI – EIN 99-4808142 (the “Corporation”)

Dear Sir/Madam:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of the Corporation is Internal Revenue Service Form 1023, Application for Recognition of Exemption Under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, along with the required attachments, documentation, and the \$600.00 processing fee.

If you need any further information, please contact the undersigned directly.

Sincerely,

FOSTER, SWIFT, COLLINS & SMITH, P.C.



Lindsey M. Mead

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*Enclosures*

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**MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS**

**FILING ENDORSEMENT**

***This is to Certify that the*** ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

***for***

INSTITUTE FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF LEGAL AND ETHICAL AI

***ID Number:*** 803259973

***received by electronic transmission on*** August 15, 2024 ***, is hereby endorsed.***

***Filed on*** August 15, 2024 ***, by the Administrator.***

***The document is effective on the date filed, unless a subsequent effective date within 90 days after received date is stated in the document.***



***In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Seal of the Department, in the City of Lansing, this 15th day of August, 2024.***

*Linda Clegg*

***Linda Clegg, Director***

***Corporations, Securities & Commercial Licensing Bureau***

## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

For use by DOMESTIC NONPROFIT CORPORATION

Pursuant to the provisions of Act 162, Public Acts of 1982, the undersigned corporation executes the following Articles:

### ARTICLE I

The name of the corporation is:

INSTITUTE FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF LEGAL AND ETHICAL AI

### ARTICLE II

The purpose or purposes for which the corporation is formed are:

A. The purpose or purposes for which the corporation is formed are:

1. To support the collection, enrichment, and open sourcing of data that supports the development and use of legal and ethical artificial intelligence systems.
2. To maintain and expand open-source data sets and provide educational resources on the technical and compliance aspects of data collection.
3. To train and open-source clean, efficient base models for public use.
4. To conduct technical research related to artificial intelligence models and their legal and ethical development.
5. To conduct empirical policy research related to the legal and ethical development and use of artificial intelligence.
6. To educate the public and legal professionals regarding the use and deployment of legal and ethical artificial intelligence.
7. To provide support to physical and digital communities related to the foregoing purposes.
8. To receive and administer a fund or funds of real or personal property in furtherance of the foregoing purposes.
9. To acquire real and personal property by purchase, gift, grant, devise, or bequest, and to hold, own, accept, and dispose of the same for the particular objects of the corporation.
10. To conduct any and all activities and exercise any and all powers as may be necessary or helpful to the achievement of the foregoing purposes for which the corporation is organized.

B. The corporation is intended to be an organization which is exempt from federal income taxation under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code. All terms and provisions of these Articles of Incorporation (and of the Bylaws of the corporation) shall be construed, applied, and carried out in accordance with such intent. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles of Incorporation, the corporation shall not carry on any activity not permitted to be carried on (i) by an organization exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code, or (ii) by an organization the contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(a)(1) of the Code.

C. The corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, educational, and scientific purposes, as enumerated in Article II hereof. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its directors, officers or other private persons, except that the corporation may make payments and distributions:

1. To organizations exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code.
2. To further the exempt purposes of the corporation; and
3. As reasonable compensation for services rendered to on or behalf of the corporation.

D. The corporation shall not participate in or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any

political campaign on behalf of (or in opposition to) any candidate for public office.

E. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be to carry on propaganda or otherwise attempt to influence legislation.

ARTICLE III

The Corporation is formed upon  basis.

If formed on a stock basis, the total number of shares the corporation has authority to issue is

If formed on a nonstock basis, the description and value of its real property assets are (if none, insert "none"):

None

The description and value of its personal property assets are (if none, insert "none"):

None

The corporation is to be financed under the following general plan:

Gifts, contributions, and related fundraising

The Corporation is formed on a  basis.

ARTICLE IV

The street address of the registered office of the corporation and the name of the resident agent at the registered office (P.O. Boxes are not acceptable):

1. Agent Name: REGISTERED AGENTS INC  
2. Street Address: 2222 W. GRAND RIVER AVE.  
Apt/Suite/Other: STE. A  
City: OKEMOS  
State: MI Zip Code: 48864

3. Registered Office Mailing Address:  
P.O. Box or Street Address: 2222 W. GRAND RIVER AVE.  
Apt/Suite/Other: STE, A  
City: OKEMOS  
State: MI Zip Code: 48864

ARTICLE V

The name(s) and address(es) of the incorporator(s) is (are) as follows:

Name	Residence or Business Address
JILLIAN BOMMARITO	2843 E. GRAND RIVER AVE., #115, EAST LANSING, MI 48823 USA

Use the space below for additional Articles or for continuation of previous Articles. Please identify any Article being continued or added.

ARTICLE VI

A. DIRECTOR AND OFFICER LIABILITY. A DIRECTOR AND A VOLUNTEER OFFICER SHALL NOT BE PERSONALLY LIABLE TO THE CORPORATION OR ITS MEMBERS FOR MONETARY DAMAGES FOR ANY ACTION TAKEN OR ANY FAILURE TO TAKE ANY ACTION AS A DIRECTOR OR A VOLUNTEER OFFICER EXCEPT FOR LIABILITY FOR ANY OF THE FOLLOWING:

1. THE AMOUNT OF A FINANCIAL BENEFIT RECEIVED BY A DIRECTOR OR A VOLUNTEER OFFICER TO WHICH HE OR SHE IS NOT ENTITLED.
2. INTENTIONAL INFLICTION OF HARM ON THE CORPORATION OR ITS MEMBERS.
3. FOR ANY VIOLATION OF SECTION 551 OF THE MICHIGAN NONPROFIT CORPORATION ACT, AS AMENDED (THE "ACT").
4. AN INTENTIONAL CRIMINAL ACT.

5. A LIABILITY IMPOSED UNDER SECTION 497(A) OF THE ACT.

B. ASSUMPTION OF VOLUNTEER DIRECTOR LIABILITY. PURSUANT TO MCL § 450.2209(D), THE CORPORATION ASSUMES ALL LIABILITY TO ANY PERSON, OTHER THAN THE CORPORATION OR ITS MEMBERS, FOR ALL ACTS OR OMISSIONS OF A VOLUNTEER DIRECTOR OCCURRING ON OR AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THESE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION AND INCURRED IN THE GOOD FAITH PERFORMANCE OF THE VOLUNTEER DIRECTOR'S DUTIES AS SUCH.

C. ASSUMPTION OF VOLUNTEER LIABILITY. THE CORPORATION ASSUMES ALL LIABILITY TO ANY PERSON FOR THE ACTS OR OMISSIONS OF A VOLUNTEER DIRECTOR, VOLUNTEER OFFICER, OR OTHER VOLUNTEER OCCURRING ON OR AFTER THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THIS ARTICLE VI, PROVIDED THAT ALL OF THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS ARE MET:

1. THE VOLUNTEER WAS ACTING OR REASONABLY BELIEVED THAT HE OR SHE WAS ACTING WITHIN THE SCOPE OF HIS OR HER AUTHORITY.

2. THE VOLUNTEER WAS ACTING IN GOOD FAITH.

3. THE VOLUNTEER'S CONDUCT DID NOT AMOUNT TO GROSS NEGLIGENCE OR WILLFUL AND WANTON MISCONDUCT.

4. THE VOLUNTEER'S CONDUCT WAS NOT AN INTENTIONAL TORT.

5. THE VOLUNTEER'S CONDUCT WAS NOT A TORT ARISING OUT OF THE OWNERSHIP, MAINTENANCE, OR USE OF A MOTOR VEHICLE FOR WHICH TORT LIABILITY MAY BE IMPOSED UNDER SECTION 3135 OF THE INSURANCE CODE OF 1956, 1956 PA 218, MCL § 500.3135.

D. AMENDMENT OF LIABILITY LAW. FOR PURPOSES OF THIS ARTICLE VI, A VOLUNTEER DIRECTOR SHALL MEAN A DIRECTOR WHO DOES NOT RECEIVE ANYTHING OF MORE THAN NOMINAL VALUE FROM THE CORPORATION FOR SERVING AS A DIRECTOR OTHER THAN REASONABLE PER DIEM COMPENSATION AND REIMBURSEMENT FOR ACTUAL, REASONABLE, AND NECESSARY EXPENSES INCURRED BY THE DIRECTOR IN HIS OR HER CAPACITY AS A DIRECTOR.

FOR PURPOSES OF THIS ARTICLE, A VOLUNTEER OFFICER SHALL MEAN AN OFFICER WHO DOES NOT RECEIVE ANYTHING OF MORE THAN NOMINAL VALUE FROM THE CORPORATION FOR SERVING AS AN OFFICER OTHER THAN REASONABLE PER DIEM COMPENSATION AND REIMBURSEMENT FOR ACTUAL, REASONABLE, AND NECESSARY EXPENSES INCURRED BY THE OFFICER IN HIS OR HER CAPACITY AS AN OFFICER.

FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS ARTICLE, A VOLUNTEER SHALL MEAN AN INDIVIDUAL WHO PERFORMS SERVICES FOR A CORPORATION, OTHER THAN SERVICES AS A VOLUNTEER DIRECTOR, WHO DOES NOT RECEIVE COMPENSATION OR ANY OTHER TYPE OF CONSIDERATION FOR THE SERVICES OTHER THAN REIMBURSEMENT FOR EXPENSES ACTUALLY INCURRED.

IN THE EVENT THE ACT IS AMENDED AFTER THE FILING OF THIS ARTICLE VI OF THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION WITH THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS; CORPORATIONS, SECURITIES & COMMERCIAL LICENSING BUREAU; CORPORATION DIVISION, TO AUTHORIZE CORPORATE ACTION FURTHER ELIMINATING OR LIMITING THE PERSONAL LIABILITY OF VOLUNTEERS, THEN THE LIABILITY OF VOLUNTEERS OF THE CORPORATION SHALL BE ELIMINATED OR LIMITED TO THE FULLEST EXTENT PERMITTED BY THE ACT, AS SO AMENDED, EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT SUCH LIMITATION OR ELIMINATION IS INCONSISTENT WITH THE STATUS OF THE CORPORATION AS A NONPROFIT CORPORATION.

ANY REPEAL, MODIFICATION, OR ADOPTION OF ANY PROVISION IN THESE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION INCONSISTENT WITH THIS ARTICLE VI SHALL NOT ADVERSELY AFFECT ANY RIGHT OR PROTECTION OF A VOLUNTEER OF THE CORPORATION EXISTING AT THE TIME OF SUCH REPEAL, MODIFICATION, OR ADOPTION.

#### ARTICLE VII

DISSOLUTION OF CORPORATION. UPON THE DISSOLUTION OF THE CORPORATION, AFTER PAYING OR MAKING PROVISIONS FOR THE PAYMENT OF THE LIABILITIES OF THE CORPORATION, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS SHALL DISTRIBUTE THE REMAINING ASSETS OF THE CORPORATION TO AN ORGANIZATION OR ORGANIZATIONS EXEMPT FROM FEDERAL INCOME TAX UNDER SECTION 501(C)(3) OF THE CODE AS DESIGNATED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS. ANY ASSETS NOT SO DISPOSED OF, FOR WHATEVER REASON, SHALL BE DISPOSED OF BY THE ORDER OF A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION TO SUCH ORGANIZATION OR ORGANIZATIONS AS SAID COURT SHALL SELECT AND DETERMINE WHICH ARE TAX EXEMPT UNDER SECTION 501(C)(3) OF THE CODE.

Signed this 15th Day of August, 2024 by the incorporator(s).

Signature	Title	Title if "Other" was selected
Jillian Bommarito	Incorporator	

By selecting ACCEPT, I hereby acknowledge that this electronic document is being signed in accordance with the Act. I further certify that to the best of my knowledge the information provided is true, accurate, and in compliance with the Act.

Decline     Accept

Dated: 08/15/2024

**BYLAWS**  
**OF**  
**INSTITUTE FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF LEGAL AND ETHICAL AI**

**ARTICLE I - Name and Purpose**

1.1 Name The name of the Corporation shall be the Institute for the Advancement of Legal and Ethical AI.

1.2 Purpose. The purpose or purposes for which the Corporation is organized are as specified in the Articles of Incorporation.

**ARTICLE II - Membership**

2.1 Membership. Under the Michigan Nonprofit Corporation Act, a corporation organized upon a nonstock basis shall be organized upon either a membership basis or a directorship basis. This Corporation is organized on a directorship basis, and pursuant to Section 305 of the Michigan Nonprofit Corporation Act, shall not have members.

**ARTICLE III - Board of Directors**

3.1 Number and Term of Directors. The number of directors shall initially be five (5). The Board may change the number of directors by a majority vote of the directors then in office. A reduction in the number of directors may eliminate a vacancy. However, a reduction in the number of directors may not reduce a sitting director's term.

The directors will be initially divided into three classes of approximately equal members, with the term of each class staggered so that the terms of one class of directors expire at each annual meeting of the Board. After the initial Board of Directors is appointed, the directors will elect new directors on a yearly basis at the annual meeting of the Board of Directors.

Each director elected after the initial board of directors will hold office for a term of three years. A director's term will end early upon the director's death, resignation, or removal. A director will be permitted to serve three consecutive terms as a director. After three consecutive terms, the director will not be eligible to serve as a director until the next annual meeting at which an election is held. At the next annual meeting at which an election is held, a director who has previously served three consecutive terms may then be elected again for an additional three year term. No director shall serve more than nine consecutive years before a cooling off period.

3.2 Regular Meetings. Regular meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held either with or without notice, at such times and such places as any majority of the directors may by resolution from time to time determine.

3.3 Special Meetings. Special meetings of the Board of Directors shall be held whenever called by the President; or when the President shall be required to call a special meeting upon written request by any director. Due notice of any special meeting, which may be waived, shall be given by the Secretary, in writing, not later than the day preceding the meeting.

3.4 Waiver. Attendance of a director at a meeting constitutes a waiver of notice of the meeting, except where a director attends a meeting for the express purpose of objecting to the transaction of any business because the meeting is not lawfully called or convened.

3.5 Quorum. A majority of the members of the Board then in office, or of the members of a committee thereof, constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business. A vote of the majority of members present at a meeting at which a quorum is present constitutes the action of the Board or of the committee.

3.6 Vacancies. A vacancy in the Board of Directors shall be filled by the affirmative vote of a majority of the remaining directors, though less than a quorum of the Board.

3.7 Removal. A director may only be removed with cause by a vote of a majority of the directors then in office. If a director is removed, the vacancy on the Board of Directors shall be filled by the remaining directors pursuant to Section 3.6. Notice will be given to all Board of Directors that a purpose of a regular or special meeting will be to vote upon the removal of a director. Cause for removal shall include, but not be limited to:

- a. A director's repeated absences from board meetings;
- b. A failure at any time to meet eligibility requirements for service as a director;
- c. Conduct that adversely affects the Corporation or its operations, as reasonably determined by the Board of Directors;
- d. A violation of the Bylaws, rules, or regulations of the Corporation;
- e. A material breach of any contract with the Corporation;
- f. Engaging in conduct that is fraudulent; and
- g. A conviction of, or entering of a plea of guilty or no contest to, a felony or crime of moral turpitude.

Each director subject to a removal vote will receive written notice of the alleged facts constituting cause for removal 48 hours before the meeting at which a removal vote will be taken. The director will have the right to be heard regarding any accusations at any meeting during which such a vote is taken. The Board of Director's determination with respect to alleged facts constituting cause for removal will be final, conclusive, and binding upon all parties. If a director is removed, the vacancy on the Board of Directors shall be filled by the remaining directors.

3.8 Action Without a Meeting. Action may be taken by the Board of Directors or a committee thereof without a meeting if, before or after the action, all members of the Board or of the committee consent thereto in writing. The written consent shall be filed with the minutes of the proceedings of the Board or committee.

3.9 Meetings by Electronic Communication. A member of the Board or committee of the Board may participate in a meeting by means of conference telephone or other means of remote communication so long as all persons participating in the meeting can communicate with each other. Participation in a meeting by this method constitutes presence in person at the meeting.

#### **ARTICLE IV - Officers**

4.1 Officers. The officers of this Corporation shall consist of a President, a Secretary, a Treasurer, and if desired, a Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Board and one or more Vice Presidents, who shall be elected by the Board of Directors at the annual meeting. The Board of Directors may also appoint such other officers and agents as they shall deem necessary for the transaction of business of the Corporation. An officer shall hold office for the term for which such officer is elected or appointed and until his or her resignation or removal. Two or more offices may be held by the same person, but an officer shall not execute, acknowledge or verify an instrument in more than one capacity, if the instrument is required by law, or the Articles of Incorporation, or these Bylaws, to be executed and acknowledged or verified by two or more officers.

4.2 Election and Term of Office. The officers of the Corporation will be elected annually by the Board of Directors at the regular annual meeting of the Board of Directors. If the election of officers will not be held at such meeting, such election will be held as soon thereafter as is convenient. New offices may be created and filled at any meeting of the Board of Directors.

4.3 Removal. Any officer elected or appointed by the Board of Directors may be removed by the Board of Directors whenever in its judgment the best interest of the Corporation would be served thereby, but such removal will be without prejudice to the contract rights, if any, of the officer so removed.

4.4 Vacancies. A vacancy in any office because of death, resignation, removal, disqualification or otherwise, may be filled by the Board of Directors for the unexpired portion of the term.

4.5 President. The President will be the principal executive officer of the Corporation and will in general supervise and control all of the business and affairs of the Corporation. He/she will preside at all meetings of the Board of Directors. He/she may sign any deeds, mortgages, bonds, contracts, or other instruments which the Board of Directors has authorized to be executed, except in cases where the signing and execution thereof is expressly delegated by the Board of Directors or by these Bylaws or by statute to some other officer or agent of the Corporation; and in general he/she will perform all duties incident to the office of President and such other duties as may be prescribed by the Board of Directors from time to time.

4.6 Vice President. In the absence of the President or in event of his/her inability or refusal to act, the Vice President (or Vice Presidents in the order of their election) will perform the duties of the President, and when so acting, will have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the President. Any Vice President will perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him/her by the President or by the Board of Directors.

4.7 Treasurer. If required by the Board of Directors, the Treasurer will give a bond for the faithful discharge of his/her duties in such sum and with such surety or sureties as the Board of Directors determines. He/she will have charge and custody of and be responsible for all funds and securities of the Corporation; receive and give receipts for monies due and payable to the Corporation from any source whatsoever, and deposit all such monies in the name of the Corporation in such banks, trust companies or other depositories as are selected by the Corporation, and in general perform all the duties incident to the office of Treasurer and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him/her by the President or by the Board of Directors.

4.8 Secretary. The Secretary will keep the minutes of the Board of Directors in one or more books provided for that purpose; see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these Bylaws or as required by law; be custodian of the corporate records and of the seal of the Corporation, if any, and in general perform all duties incident to the office of Secretary and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him/her by the President or by the Board of Directors.

4.9 Assistant Treasurers and Assistant Secretaries. If required by the Board of Directors, the Assistant Treasurers shall give bonds for the faithful discharge of their duties in such sums and with such sureties as the Board of Directors shall determine. The Assistant Treasurers and Assistant Secretaries, in general, shall perform such duties as shall be assigned to them by the Treasurer or the Secretary or by the President or the Board of Directors.

#### **ARTICLE V - Committees**

5.1 Committees of Directors. The Board of Directors, by resolution adopted by a majority of the Directors in office, may designate and appoint one or more committees. A committee, to the extent provided in said resolution, shall have and exercise the authority of the Board of Directors in the management of the Corporation (if they consist of one or more directors), except that no such committee shall have the authority of the Board of Directors in reference to amending, altering or repealing the Bylaws; electing, appointing or removing any member of any such committee or any director or officer of the Corporation; amending the Articles of Incorporation; restating Articles of Incorporation; adopting a plan of merger or adopting a plan of consolidation; authorizing or recommending the dissolution of the Corporation or the revocation of a dissolution; authorizing or recommending the sale, lease or exchange of all or substantially all of the assets and property of the Corporation; amending, altering or repealing any resolution of the Board of Directors which by its terms provides that it shall not be amended, altered or repealed by the committee; or fix compensation of the directors for serving on the board or on a committee. The designation and appointment of any such committee and the delegation thereto of authority shall not operate to relieve the Board of Directors, or any individual director, of any responsibility imposed upon it or him/her by law.

5.2 Other Committees. Other committees not having and exercising the authority of the Board of Directors in the management of the Corporation may be appointed in such manner as may be designated by a resolution adopted by a majority of the directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present. Any members thereof may be removed by the Board of Directors whenever in its judgment the best interests of the Corporation shall be served by such removal.

5.3 Term of Office. Each member of a committee shall continue as such until the next annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the Corporation and until his/her successor is appointed, unless the committee shall be sooner terminated, or unless such member be removed from such committee, or unless such member shall cease to qualify as a member thereof.

5.4 Vacancies. Vacancies in the membership of any committee may be filled by appointments made in the same manner as provided in the case of the original appointments.

5.5 Quorum. Unless otherwise provided in the resolution of the Board of Directors designating a committee, a majority of the whole committee shall constitute a quorum and the act of a majority of the members present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the committee.

5.6 Rules. Each committee may adopt rules for its own government not inconsistent with these Bylaws or with rules adopted by the Board of Directors.

#### **ARTICLE VI - Contracts, Checks, Deposits and Funds**

6.1 Contracts. The Board of Directors may authorize any officer or officers, agent or agents of the Corporation, in addition to the officers so authorized by these bylaws, to enter into any contract or execute and deliver any instrument in the name of and on behalf of the Corporation, and such authority may be general or confined to specific instances.

6.2 Checks, Drafts, Etc. All checks, drafts, or orders for the payment of money, notes or other evidences of indebtedness issued in the name of the Corporation, shall be signed by such officer or officers, agent or agents of the Corporation and in such manner as shall from time to time be determined by resolution of the Board of Directors. In the absence of such determination by the Board of Directors, such instruments shall be signed by the Treasurer or an Assistant Treasurer and countersigned by the President or a Vice President of the Corporation.

6.3 Deposits. All funds of the Corporation shall be deposited from time to time to the credit of the Corporation in such banks, trust companies or other depositaries as the Board of Directors may select.

6.4 Gifts. The Board of Directors may accept on behalf of the Corporation any contributions, gift, bequest or devise for the general purpose or for any special purpose of the Corporation.

6.5 Net Earnings No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall be distributed to, or inure to the benefit of, any Director or Officer of the corporation, contributor or private person.

## **ARTICLE VII - Administrative Provisions**

7.1 Fiscal Year. The fiscal year of the Corporation shall be the calendar year, unless otherwise established by the Board of Directors.

7.2 Distribution of Assets on Dissolution. Upon the dissolution of the Corporation, after paying or making provisions for the payment of the liabilities of the Corporation, the Board of Directors shall distribute the remaining assets of the Corporation (except assets held upon condition requiring return, transfer or other conveyance in the event of dissolution, which assets shall be returned, transferred or conveyed in accordance with those requirements) to an organization or organizations exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code as designated by the Board of Directors. Any assets not so disposed of, for whatever reason, shall be disposed of by the order of the Circuit Court for the County of Ingham to such organization or organizations as said Court shall select and determine which are tax exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code.

## **ARTICLE VIII - Books and Records**

8.1 Books and Records. The Corporation shall keep correct and complete books and records of account and shall also keep minutes of the proceedings of its members, if any, Board of Directors and committees having any of the authority of the Board of Directors, and shall keep at its registered or principal office a record giving the names and addresses of the members of the Board of Directors. All books and records of the Corporation may be inspected by any member of the Board of Directors, or his/her agent or attorney, for any proper purpose at any reasonable time.

## **ARTICLE IX - Indemnification**

9.1 Right to Indemnification. The Corporation will indemnify each person who was or is a party to or is threatened to be made a party to or is involved in any action, suit, or proceeding by reason of the fact that the person is or was a director or officer of the Corporation (or is or was serving at the request of the Corporation as a director, officer, partner, trustee, employee, or agent of another foreign or domestic corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, or other enterprise, whether for profit or not) to the fullest extent authorized by the Michigan Nonprofit Corporation Act, as amended, for all expenses (including attorney fees), judgments, penalties, fines, and amounts paid in settlement (to the extent approved by the Corporation) actually and reasonably incurred by the person in connection with the action, suit, or proceeding. However, the Corporation is not required to indemnify a person in connection with an action, suit, or proceeding initiated by that person, unless the Board of Directors authorized the action, suit, or proceeding or to the extent the action, suit, or proceeding successfully enforces a right to indemnification under this Article. To the extent authorized by the Michigan Nonprofit Corporation Act, as amended, the Corporation may, but is not be required to, pay reasonable expenses incurred in connection with an action, suit, or proceeding in advance of its final disposition. The provisions of the Michigan Nonprofit Corporation Act, as amended, apply to determine a person's right to indemnification under this Article.

9.2 Nonexclusivity of Rights. The right to indemnification under this Article is not exclusive of any other right that any person may have under any statute, the Corporation's Articles of Incorporation, any agreement with the Corporation, or otherwise.

9.3 Permissive Indemnification of Employees and Agents of the Corporation. The Corporation may indemnify and advance expenses of any employee or other agent of the Corporation to the fullest extent of the provisions of this Article with respect to the indemnification and advancement of expenses of directors and officers of the Corporation, and will indemnify any employee or other agent to the extent required by applicable law.

9.4 Insurance. The Corporation may maintain insurance, at its expense, to protect itself and any director, officer, employee, or agent of the Corporation against expenses, judgments, penalties, fines, amounts paid in settlement, and other amounts, whether or not the Corporation would have the power to indemnify the person for such amount.

## **ARTICLE X - Amendments**

10.1 Amendments. These Bylaws may be altered or amended by the Board of Directors.

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Form **2848**  
 (Rev. January 2021)  
 Department of the Treasury  
 Internal Revenue Service

**Power of Attorney  
 and Declaration of Representative**

OMB No. 1545-0150

**For IRS Use Only**  
 Received by:  
 Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
 Function \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date / /

▶ Go to [www.irs.gov/Form2848](http://www.irs.gov/Form2848) for instructions and the latest information.

**Part I Power of Attorney**

**Caution:** A separate Form 2848 must be completed for each taxpayer. Form 2848 will not be honored for any purpose other than representation before the IRS.

**1 Taxpayer information.** Taxpayer must sign and date this form on page 2, line 7.

Taxpayer name and address <b>Institute for the Advancement of Legal and Ethical AI</b> <b>2843 East Grand River Avenue, #115</b> <b>East Lansing, MI 48823</b>		Taxpayer identification number(s) <b>99-4808142</b>	
		Daytime telephone number <b>646-450-3531</b>	Plan number (if applicable)

hereby appoints the following representative(s) as attorney(s)-in-fact:

**2 Representative(s) must sign and date this form on page 2, Part II.**

Name and address <b>Amanda J. Dernovshek</b> <b>FOSTER, SWIFT, COLLINS &amp; SMITH, P.C.</b> <b>313 South Washington Square, Lansing, MI 48933</b> <b>Check if to be sent copies of notices and communications</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CAF No. <b>0314-62721R</b> PTIN _____ Telephone No. <b>517-371-8259</b> Fax No. <b>517-367-7159</b> Check if new: Address <input type="checkbox"/> Telephone No. <input type="checkbox"/> Fax No. <input type="checkbox"/>
Name and address <b>Lindsey M. Mead</b> <b>FOSTER, SWIFT, COLLINS &amp; SMITH, P.C.</b> <b>313 South Washington Square, Lansing, MI 48933</b> <b>Check if to be sent copies of notices and communications</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	CAF No. _____ PTIN _____ Telephone No. <b>517-371-8326</b> Fax No. <b>517-371-8200</b> Check if new: Address <input type="checkbox"/> Telephone No. <input type="checkbox"/> Fax No. <input type="checkbox"/>
Name and address <b>(Note: IRS sends notices and communications to only two representatives.)</b>	CAF No. _____ PTIN _____ Telephone No. _____ Fax No. _____ Check if new: Address <input type="checkbox"/> Telephone No. <input type="checkbox"/> Fax No. <input type="checkbox"/>
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to represent the taxpayer before the Internal Revenue Service and perform the following acts:

**3 Acts authorized (you are required to complete line 3).** Except for the acts described in line 5b, I authorize my representative(s) to receive and inspect my confidential tax information and to perform acts I can perform with respect to the tax matters described below. For example, my representative(s) shall have the authority to sign any agreements, consents, or similar documents (see instructions for line 5a for authorizing a representative to sign a return).

Description of Matter (Income, Employment, Payroll, Excise, Estate, Gift, Whistleblower, Practitioner Discipline, PLR, FOIA, Civil Penalty, Sec. 4980H Shared Responsibility Payment, etc.) (see instructions)	Tax Form Number (1040, 941, 720, etc.) (if applicable)	Year(s) or Period(s) (if applicable) (see instructions)
<b>Application for Recognition of Exemption Under 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code</b>	<b>IRS Form 1023</b>	<b>Not applicable</b>

**4 Specific use not recorded on the Centralized Authorization File (CAF).** If the power of attorney is for a specific use not recorded on CAF, check this box. See Line 4. Specific Use Not Recorded on CAF in the instructions . . . . .

**5a Additional acts authorized.** In addition to the acts listed on line 3 above, I authorize my representative(s) to perform the following acts (see instructions for line 5a for more information):  Access my IRS records via an Intermediate Service Provider;  Authorize disclosure to third parties;  Substitute or add representative(s);  Sign a return; \_\_\_\_\_

Other acts authorized: \_\_\_\_\_

**b Specific acts not authorized.** My representative(s) is (are) not authorized to endorse or otherwise negotiate any check (including directing or accepting payment by any means, electronic or otherwise, into an account owned or controlled by the representative(s) or any firm or other entity with whom the representative(s) is (are) associated) issued by the government in respect of a federal tax liability.

List any other specific deletions to the acts otherwise authorized in this power of attorney (see instructions for line 5b): \_\_\_\_\_

**6 Retention/revocation of prior power(s) of attorney.** The filing of this power of attorney automatically revokes all earlier power(s) of attorney on file with the Internal Revenue Service for the same matters and years or periods covered by this form. If you **do not** want to revoke a prior power of attorney, check here

**YOU MUST ATTACH A COPY OF ANY POWER OF ATTORNEY YOU WANT TO REMAIN IN EFFECT.**

**7 Taxpayer declaration and signature.** If a tax matter concerns a year in which a joint return was filed, each spouse must file a separate power of attorney even if they are appointing the same representative(s). If signed by a corporate officer, partner, guardian, tax matters partner, partnership representative (or designated individual, if applicable), executor, receiver, administrator, trustee, or individual other than the taxpayer, I certify I have the legal authority to execute this form on behalf of the taxpayer.

**▶ IF NOT COMPLETED, SIGNED, AND DATED, THE IRS WILL RETURN THIS POWER OF ATTORNEY TO THE TAXPAYER.**

*Michael J Bommarito II*

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Reason: Digitally signed by <mbommar@institute.ai>  
November 21, 2025 09:43 AM EST

11/21/2025

Date

President

Title (if applicable)

Michael Bommarito

Print name

Institute for the Advancement of Legal and Ethical AI

Print name of taxpayer from line 1 if other than individual

**Part II Declaration of Representative**

Under penalties of perjury, by my signature below I declare that:

- I am not currently suspended or disbarred from practice, or ineligible for practice, before the Internal Revenue Service;
- I am subject to regulations in Circular 230 (31 CFR, Subtitle A, Part 10), as amended, governing practice before the Internal Revenue Service;
- I am authorized to represent the taxpayer identified in Part I for the matter(s) specified there; and
- I am one of the following:
  - a Attorney—a member in good standing of the bar of the highest court of the jurisdiction shown below.
  - b Certified Public Accountant—a holder of an active license to practice as a certified public accountant in the jurisdiction shown below.
  - c Enrolled Agent—enrolled as an agent by the IRS per the requirements of Circular 230.
  - d Officer—a bona fide officer of the taxpayer organization.
  - e Full-Time Employee—a full-time employee of the taxpayer.
  - f Family Member—a member of the taxpayer’s immediate family (spouse, parent, child, grandparent, grandchild, step-parent, step-child, brother, or sister).
  - g Enrolled Actuary—enrolled as an actuary by the Joint Board for the Enrollment of Actuaries under 29 U.S.C. 1242 (the authority to practice before the IRS is limited by section 10.3(d) of Circular 230).
  - h Unenrolled Return Preparer—Authority to practice before the IRS is limited. An unenrolled return preparer may represent, provided the preparer (1) prepared and signed the return or claim for refund (or prepared if there is no signature space on the form); (2) was eligible to sign the return or claim for refund; (3) has a valid PTIN; and (4) possesses the required Annual Filing Season Program Record of Completion(s). **See Special Rules and Requirements for Unenrolled Return Preparers in the instructions for additional information.**
  - k Qualifying Student or Law Graduate—receives permission to represent taxpayers before the IRS by virtue of his/her status as a law, business, or accounting student, or law graduate working in a LITC or STCP. See instructions for Part II for additional information and requirements.
  - r Enrolled Retirement Plan Agent—enrolled as a retirement plan agent under the requirements of Circular 230 (the authority to practice before the Internal Revenue Service is limited by section 10.3(e)).

**▶ IF THIS DECLARATION OF REPRESENTATIVE IS NOT COMPLETED, SIGNED, AND DATED, THE IRS WILL RETURN THE POWER OF ATTORNEY. REPRESENTATIVES MUST SIGN IN THE ORDER LISTED IN PART I, LINE 2.**

**Note:** For designations d–f, enter your title, position, or relationship to the taxpayer in the “Licensing jurisdiction” column.

Designation— Insert above letter (a–r).	Licensing jurisdiction (State) or other licensing authority (if applicable)	Bar, license, certification, registration, or enrollment number (if applicable)	Signature	Date
a	MI	P82895	<i>cdmanday Barnovsnek</i>	12/2/25
a	MI	P87022	<i>Bommarito</i>	12/2/25

# INSTITUTE FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF LEGAL AND ETHICAL AI POLICY ON CONFLICT OF INTEREST

## **ARTICLE I - Purpose**

- 1.1 **Purpose.** The purpose of this Conflict of Interest Policy (this “Policy”) is to:
- a. protect the interest of the Institute for the Advancement of Legal and Ethical AI, a Michigan nonprofit corporation (the “Institute”), when it is contemplating entering into a transaction or arrangement that might benefit the private interest of an Interested Person;
  - b. protect the Institute’s interest by identifying any outside or conflicting activities of Interested Persons; and
  - c. provide a systematic and ongoing method of disclosing and ethically resolving potential Conflicts of Interest.

This Policy is adopted by and applies to the Institute.

## **ARTICLE II - Definitions**

- 2.1 **Board of Directors.** The “Board of Directors” is the board of directors of the Institute.
- 2.2 **Conflict of Interest.** A “Conflict of Interest” is a direct or indirect Financial or Management Interest, which would or could reasonably be perceived as limiting the individual’s ability to serve the best interest of the Institute without discrimination or favoritism.
- 2.3 **Interested Person.** An “Interested Person” is any director, any officer, any member of a committee with board delegated powers, and any employee or agent identified by the President.
- 2.4 **Financial Interest.** A person has a “Financial Interest” if the person has, directly or indirectly through business, investment, or family:
- a. an actual or potential ownership or investment interest in any entity with which the Institute has or may have a transaction or arrangement, or provides services competitive with the Institute;
  - b. an actual or potential Compensation arrangement with the Institute or with any entity or individual with which the Institute has or may have a transaction or arrangement, or provides or may provide services competitive with any entity or individual or the Institute.
- 2.5 **Compensation.** “Compensation” includes any direct and indirect interest with respect to remuneration as well as gifts or favors that are significant in nature.

2.6 Management Interest. A person has a Management Interest if the person provides governance, managerial, or consultive services to any outside concern or individual that does business with, or competes with, the Institute.

### **ARTICLE III - Disclosure and Resolution**

3.1 In General. Each individual has the personal responsibility of identifying when a Conflict of Interest exists or appears to exist, and for taking appropriate action to eliminate the conflict or the appearance of the conflict. If the individual is unsure whether a conflict exists, all relevant information should be disclosed and addressed under this Policy.

3.2 Acknowledgement. An Interested Person must sign and update upon the request of the Institute's President or Board of Directors a statement identifying any potential Conflict of Interest of such person and affirming that such person:

- a. has received a copy of this Policy;
- b. has read and understands the Policy;
- c. has agreed to comply with the Policy; and
- d. understands that the Institute is a charitable organization, that in order to maintain its federal tax exemption it must engage primarily in activities which accomplish one or more of its tax-exempt purposes and that no part of the Institute's net earnings may inure to the private benefit of any individual or group of individuals.

3.3 Transaction-Level Disclosure. In connection with any actual or possible Conflict of Interest, an Interested Person must disclose the existence and nature of his or her Financial or Management Interest to the President and to any directors and members of committees with Board of Directors delegated powers who are considering the proposed transaction or arrangement.

3.4 Determining Whether a Conflict of Interest Exists. After disclosure of the Conflict of Interest, the Interested Person may be asked to leave the relevant meeting while the transaction is discussed and determined. The Interested Person may not participate in the determination. If requested to leave, the Interested Person may be in attendance when the matter is initially presented before discussion. The President or, if applicable, the Board of Directors or committee shall decide if a Conflict of Interest exists.

3.5 Procedures for Addressing the Conflict of Interest.

a. The President will investigate the Conflict of Interest and proposed transaction or arrangement and potential alternatives and report to the Board of Directors, if applicable.

b. After exercising due diligence, the President or, if applicable, the Board of Directors or committee will determine the best means of handling the situation, including whether a proposed transaction or arrangement is at fair market value. This may be determined through independent studies or appraisals.

c. If the President is unclear as to whether a Conflict of Interest exists, or the course of action selected does not yield a clear resolution, or if the Board of Directors or a committee is acting, any action and approval of the transaction will only be by a majority vote of the disinterested directors then serving on the Board of Directors.

d. A Conflict of Interest may only be resolved in a manner that is fair and reasonable to the Institute and not contrary to applicable law.

### 3.6 Violations of the Conflict of Interest Policy.

a. If the President, the Board of Directors, or a committee has reasonable cause to believe that an Interested Person has failed to disclose an actual or possible Conflict of Interest, the Interested Person will be informed of the basis for such belief. The Interested Person will be given an opportunity to explain the alleged failure to disclose.

b. If, after hearing the response of the Interested Person and making such further investigation as may be warranted in the circumstances, it is determined that the Interested Person has in fact failed to disclose an actual or possible Conflict of Interest, appropriate disciplinary and corrective action will be taken.

## **ARTICLE IV - Records of Proceedings**

4.1 Minutes. The report of the President, or minutes of the Board of Directors or committee, if applicable, must contain:

a. the names of the persons who disclosed or otherwise were found to have an actual or possible Conflict of Interest;

b. the nature of the Financial or Management Interest;

c. any action taken to determine whether a Conflict of Interest existed;

d. the decision as to whether a Conflict of Interest in fact existed;

e. the names of the persons who were present for discussions and votes relating to the transaction or arrangement; and

f. the content of the discussion, including any alternatives to the proposed transaction or arrangement, and the decision made.

## **ARTICLE V - Compensation**

5.1 Compensation. An individual is prohibited from approving or voting on matters pertaining to that individual's Compensation.

## **ARTICLE VI - Gifts, Gratuities, and Entertainment**

6.1 Gifts, Gratuities, and Entertainment. Acceptance of cash gifts of any amount is prohibited under any circumstances. It is further prohibited to accept personal gifts of any amount, other gifts or entertainment, or other favors from any outside concern that does, or is seeking to do business with, the Institute when such action is related to a particular transaction or if acceptance would appear to influence the individual in the performance of work-related duties. Disclosure of gifts or entertainment in excess of \$50.00 will be made to the President or other officer, or by the President or other officer to the Board.

## **ARTICLE VII - Periodic Reviews**

7.1 Periodic Reviews. To ensure that the Institute operates in a manner consistent with its charitable purposes and that it does not engage in activities that could jeopardize its status as an organization exempt from federal income tax, periodic reviews must be conducted. The periodic reviews must, at a minimum, include the following subjects:

- a. whether Compensation arrangements and benefits are reasonable and are the result of arm's-length bargaining;
- b. whether material transactions result in inurement or impermissible private benefit; and
- c. whether partnership and joint venture arrangements and arrangements with organizations conform to written policies, are properly recorded, reflect reasonable fair market value payments for goods and services, further the Institute's charitable purposes, and do not result in inurement or impermissible private benefit.

## **ARTICLE VIII - Use of Outside Experts**

8.1 Outside Advisors. In conducting the periodic reviews provided for in Article 7, the Institute may, but need not, use outside advisors. If outside experts are used, their use will not relieve the board of its responsibility for ensuring that periodic reviews are conducted.

## **Part IV – Narrative Description of Activities to Form 1023**

### *INSTITUTE FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF LEGAL AND ETHICAL AI*

#### **a. Description of Activities**

The corporation conducts six primary activities:

(1) Open Data: Collection, enrichment, and maintenance of publicly-accessible datasets that support legal and ethical artificial intelligence ("AI") development. These datasets include legal documents, government records, regulatory materials, and other lawfully-obtained content with documented provenance. All datasets are released to the public under open licenses.

(2) Open Models: Development and public distribution of base AI models trained exclusively on ethically-sourced data with known provenance. These models serve as foundational tools for researchers, educators, and developers seeking to build AI applications without copyright infringement or toxic training data concerns.

(3) Technical Research: Scientific research on AI systems focusing on model efficiency, legal compliance in AI development, and technical aspects of ethical AI training. All research findings are published openly to advance public knowledge.

(4) Policy Research: Empirical research examining the legal, regulatory, and ethical implications of AI development and deployment. Research informs policymakers and the public on AI governance issues within existing legal frameworks.

(5) Education and Awareness: Educational programs and resources for students, legal professionals, software developers, and the general public regarding responsible AI development, deployment, and use. Programs address both technical implementation and ethical considerations.

(6) Community Building: Support for physical and digital communities dedicated to legal and ethical AI development through meetups, hackathons, seminars, conferences, and online collaboration platforms.

#### **b. Persons Conducting Activities**

All activities are conducted by the corporation's officers, staff, and volunteers. Technical Research, Policy Research, and Open Models development are conducted in collaboration with external research collaborators and partner academic institutions.

#### **c. Locations Where Activities Are Conducted**

The majority of activities are conducted online through the corporation's website, collaborative platforms, and digital repositories. Education and Awareness activities are also conducted at educational institutions and public forums. Community Building activities include physical events at conference venues, universities, and co-working spaces.

#### **d. Time Allocation**

The corporation allocates its operational time as follows: (1) Open Data: 20%; (2) Open Models: 25%; (3) Technical Research: 15%; (4) Policy Research: 15%; (5) Education and Awareness: 15%; and (6) Community Building: 10%.

#### **e. Funding and Expense Allocation**

(1) Open Data activities are funded through grants, donations, and in-kind contributions of data and computing resources, representing approximately 20% of overall expenses.

(2) Open Models activities are funded through research grants, institutional partnerships, donations, and in-kind contributions of computing infrastructure, representing approximately 25% of overall expenses.

(3) Technical Research activities are funded through research grants, institutional partnerships, and donations, representing approximately 15% of overall expenses.

(4) Policy Research activities are funded through grants from non-partisan foundations, donations, and partnerships with policy research organizations, representing approximately 15% of overall expenses.

(5) Education and Awareness activities are funded through educational grants and donations, with potential nominal registration fees for specialized workshops, representing approximately 15% of overall expenses.

(6) Community Building activities are funded through donations and event sponsorships, representing approximately 10% of overall expenses.

#### **f. Furtherance of Exempt Purposes**

Each activity advances the corporation's exempt educational and scientific purposes:

(1) Open Data furthers educational purposes by providing publicly-accessible datasets that serve as learning resources for students, researchers, and developers studying AI systems. By documenting data provenance and collection methodologies, the corporation educates the public on lawful and ethical data practices. These datasets enable academic research and informed public discourse on AI development.

(2) Open Models advances scientific research and education by providing base AI models that researchers and educators can study, test, and build upon without legal or ethical concerns about training data. By releasing the first models certified for ethical training practices, the corporation educates the AI development community on responsible model creation and establishes reproducible standards for the field.

(3) Technical Research directly serves scientific and educational purposes by conducting original research on AI systems and publishing findings openly for public benefit. Research on model

efficiency and ethical training methodologies advances scientific knowledge and educates practitioners on technical approaches to responsible AI development.

(4) Policy Research serves educational purposes by conducting empirical studies that inform policymakers and the public about AI governance issues. By making research publicly available, the corporation contributes to informed democratic decision-making and educates stakeholders on the legal and ethical dimensions of AI technology.

(5) Education and Awareness directly fulfills educational purposes by providing instructional programs, workshops, tutorials, and educational materials to diverse audiences. These programs educate students, professionals, and the public on both technical skills and ethical considerations in AI development and deployment.

(6) Community Building advances educational purposes by creating forums for collaborative learning, knowledge exchange, and public discourse on AI ethics and legality. These communities facilitate peer education, mentorship, and collective problem-solving, benefiting the general public rather than private commercial interests.

All activities are conducted for the benefit of the general public to advance knowledge and education regarding the legal and ethical development and use of artificial intelligence systems.