

February 24, 1997

Steven R. Bisker, Esquire
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Re: Qualifications for Members of Nominating Committee

Dear Mr. Bisker:

You have requested a legal opinion on whether members of a federal credit union's (FCU's) nominating committee must be members of the FCU. Article VI, Section 1 of the FCU Bylaws states that "(a)t least 30 days prior to each annual meeting, the executive officer shall appoint a nominating committee of not fewer than three **members**." (Emphasis added.) We interpret this provision to mean that the individuals appointed to the committee must be FCU members.

Sincerely,

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