

## **Proposed Amendments to ACTRA Constitution:**

### **Amend Article 303 b) - Qualification for Membership**

Amend Article 303 b) - *Qualification for Membership*. Delete the current title and other references to *Established Professional Reputation* and substitute *Exceptional Circumstances*.

~~303 b) *Established Professional Reputation*  
In exceptional circumstances, persons who qualify according to the guidelines supplied by ACTRA and interpreted by the Branches Local Unions. Persons who have an established reputation as a performer, and who qualify under Article 301, may be admitted to Full Membership upon presenting proof of such status to the applicable Branch/Local Union.~~

~~The definition of established professional reputation should include the following:~~

- ~~i) membership in a recognized organization that does not have a reciprocal agreement with ACTRA, such as FIA or Equity Associations in other countries;~~
- ~~ii) the number of professional engagements;~~
- ~~iii) the length of engagement; and~~
- ~~iv) general guidelines supplied by ACTRA and interpreted by the Branches/Local Unions.~~

WITH STRIKETHROUGH REMOVED:

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303 b) *Exceptional Circumstances*

*In exceptional circumstances, persons who qualify according to the guidelines supplied by ACTRA and interpreted by the Branches Local Unions may be admitted to Full Membership upon presenting proof of such status to the applicable Branch/Local Union.*

### **New Article 303 d) - Qualification for Membership**

*d) For the purposes of organizing on-air staff performers (e.g., announcers, newsreaders, commentators and hosts) working for a broadcaster, a Branch/Local Union Council may allow such staff performers to be admitted as Full Members providing they have minimum of six months full time on-air experience or a current valid contract for a minimum of six months of full time on-air employment.*

### **New Article 303 e) - Qualification for Membership**

*d) For the purposes of organizing, a Branch/Local Union Council may grant non-ACTRA performers currently working in a non-ACTRA production Apprentice Membership status and a first credit towards membership provided that a minimum requirement for certification of the workplace is achieved. An additional credit towards Full Membership, earned through previous approved training or participation in an approved training course will be required within two years, or such Membership will be revoked.*