

Amendment Name	Clarifying language on Membership (nonsubstantive)
Citation	Article III: Membership
Current Language	Section 1, A: Membership in APALA shall be open to any person who is a member in good standing with a Union, or any Union Member who has retired in good standing, and/or who believes in the principles and policies of the Trade Union Movement and is willing to abide by the Constitution and Statement of Purpose of this Organization.
Proposed Language	Section 1, A: Membership in APALA shall be open to any person who 1) is a member in good standing with a Union and who believes in the principles and policies of the Trade Union Movement, 2) retired in good standing from a Union and who believes in the principles and policies of the Trade Union Movement, 3) or is a person who believes in the principles and policies of the Trade Union Movement. All members must be willing to abide by the Constitution and Statement of Purpose of this Organization.
Rationale	The original sentence is awkwardly constructed, particularly the third clause (“and/or who believes in the principles and policies of the Trade Union Movement...”). This edit makes clear that any person can join APALA (union or not) as long as they believe in the principles and policies of the labor movement.
Submitted by	National Executive Board