

# **2016 Fall Board Meeting American Iris Society**

## **Report of General Counsel**

IRS Group Exemption for the AIS. On July 1, 2016, we submitted our annual Group Exemption Letter to the IRS. Newly added/corrected affiliate organizations are:

Iris Society of Dallas  
SIGNA  
Northern Illinois Iris Society  
Shenandoah and Potomac Iris Society  
Hutchison Iris Club  
Santa Fe Iris Society of the American Iris Society

It can take a great deal of effort by folks in these organizations to join the AIS 501(c)(3) group exemption, and it's wonderful to have so many joining on a regular basis. For anyone looking for further information on the process, please go to the AIS website, click on Member Services, click on Society Information, then click on AIS Documents. The link is the first listed.

I have notified President Gary White that this will be my fifth and final year as general counsel for the AIS. I will remain until next summer, and until our next annual Group Exemption Letter is due to the IRS on July 1, 2017.