

Georgia &gt; Administration Form &gt; 2022

**\*Required Fields**

## Governance

**Please input your responses to all questions based on the annual reporting year (unless otherwise instructed.)**

**1. How many times did the executive committee meet to conduct governance business? \***

**2. How many members were there in the executive committee? \***

**3. How did the executive committee communicate with one another? (Check all that apply.) \***

 Email Teleconference Zoom/Gotomeeting/Webex ACS Network Other

**4. What was the month and year of the last Local Section strategic planning session?**

**5. What percentage of your councilors were in official attendance at the Spring Virtual Council Meeting? \***

**6. What percentage of your councilors were in official attendance at the Fall Hybrid Council Meeting?**

100	%
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**7. Did your local section have a succession and/or leadership development plan? \***

- Yes
- No

**8. Did a member of your local section attend the Local Section Leaders Track at ACS Leadership Institute? \***

- Yes
- No

**9. How did your local section identify future leaders and get them into the leadership pipeline? (Check all that apply.) \***

- Self-nomination
- Solicitation or Advertising
- Identify Active Committee Members
- Formal Leadership Training
- Long Term Plan
- Outreach to New Members
- Arm-Twisting
- Other

Reached out to new members at various monthly events and if they were interested in volunteering, invited those volunteers to our ExComm meetings. We have 10 members in our volunteer list.

**10. Did your local section conduct an officer election? \***

- Yes
- No

**11. Did your local section conduct its elections electronically? \***

- Yes
- No

**12. How many members voted in your local section election?**

74

The following questions provide the opportunity for your section's leadership to communicate successes, challenges, goals, and progress towards meeting those goals. We want to hear from you! Please use the required comment boxes to share your thoughts about your section. Do not feel limited by having spaces indicated for the top three goals. Other goals can be added in the comment box if needed.

**13. Chair's Report: Please provide a narrative of the past year's activity/successes/challenges \***

It was an honor to be the Chair of the Georgia Local Section in the year 2022. As a section chair, I had the opportunity to supervise, coordinate, and provide overall direction of section activities throughout the year of my leadership. I am extremely grateful for all the efforts and hard work put forward by our local section volunteers. Including an overview of section or committee activities over the past year, including events, meetings, and outreach efforts. We had some Covid-facing challenges as a section, but we very successfully solved those with a combination of virtual and in-person events depending on the event type. We had new members and officers join, additional volunteering members added and many attending leadership activities so they can help the local section excel. We had many exciting events throughout the year and amazing participation and appreciation by members, who served the section with their best initiatives. Below, we describe how our local section can manage better the section or committee's budget, including any major expenses or investments. Our events list clearly covers monthly meetings plus special events and award-winning activities, some of which were held in collaborations or partnerships with other organizations or sections within ACS, like MAC, YCC, and WCC. The success of these events, described in detail along with reports, brochures, pictures and are a true reflection of our local Georgia section or committee's progress towards successfully achieving our goals and objectives. We have many recognitions of outstanding achievements or contributions by our members or officers of the local Georgia section and our executive team. Our local section is successful and did a great job in 2022 because of hard work, kindness, and volunteering for long hours. As a Chair, I extend gratitude to all members, officers, and volunteers for their dedication and hard work in supporting the ACS mission through our local Georgia section. The description below is highlighting the experiences, skills, as well as our local section's goals and objectives. We are highlighting plans that include background, our Georgia local sections' involvement in various outreach activities, educational and entertaining events, and their comparison with previous activities, and why we believe that these activities and objectives were an asset to our local Georgia section. We believe that we have demonstrated that our Georgia Local Section was very passionate, and we committed to our goals at a very high level such that we excelled in 2022 at the top level. Through these events, we tried to constantly make our goals easily achievable and yet at the highest level of excellence. Some of these events helped in bringing members together to bind and network while helping local communities. Some of our events promoted membership participation and encouraged new members. Some of the other events helped us keep our continued progress on track. We participated in special programs project SEED initiative at GGC and had excellent participation, where HMURS/HERTY participants were invited. We applied and won the volunteer of the year award as well as excelled in winning MAC & WCC programs. One of our MAC volunteers was nominated and won the Stanley C. Israel Regional Award for Advancing Diversity in the chemical sciences. Overall, 2022 was an excellent year for the Georgia Local Section with 11 successful events with great attendance,

networking, and excellent event planning. We had further leadership developed and articulated, and we managed to execute as per our Vision & Mission statements, Goals, Strategies, and Metrics, with designated champions for each event we planned. The goals of these events were aligned with ACS's mission and vision, and as Chair in 2022, I made sure to continue the ACS Goals and mission. The 2022 executive committee has collectively provided the section with a clear vision. Other major initiatives included: the Backpack for Barbara IPG Grant of \$3500 which activated the \$1500 matching funds. MAC/WCC Breast Cancer Event, MAC Awards, and HERTY/HMURS Member Engagement: Personal email and phone calls were made to all 50/60/70/80 members. Got Many seniors showed interest and they were requested to give a talk about their careers. I used my chair discretion funds to pay for uber taxi changes for one of the senior members with a disability. The 50/60/70/80 event was super successful. I am grateful and honored to have an opportunity to be representing our local Georgia section. I am very passionate about chemistry and helping folks to reach heights in their professional career. I was able to recruit many new volunteers as well. I am grateful for all the efforts and hard work put forward by the local section volunteers. Overall, 2022 was an excellent year for the Georgia Local Section. We are all very proud and we all make an excellent Excomm team together. "Go Georgia Local Section Team"

Responses to be provided by the Chair-elect for the annual reporting year.

**14. Chair-Elect's Goals \***

**a . Please list first of top three goals**

Build relationships with i) other professional organizations such as Georgia Bio and GA IP Alliance, ii) identify additional minority-focused schools for future events.

**b . Please list the second for top three goals**

Engage state and local government in chemical business development and innovation in GA

**c . Please list third of top three goals**

Engagement of members and volunteers and Empowerment of our members

To be completed by the Chair-elect for year following the annual reporting year.

**15. Next Year's Chair-elect's Goals \***

**a . Please list first of top three goals**

1) Build volunteer bench and leadership pipeline

**b . Please list second of top three goals**

2) Simplify event planning for volunteers

**c . Please list third of top three goals**

3) Recognize and celebrate volunteers to improve retention

**16. Does the Local Section have an Vision and/or Mission Statement \***

Yes

● No

## Organization

### 1. Did your local section have active coordinators for the following?

Activity	Coordinator Names
Awards	Joseph Pleas Stoner
Budget/Finance	Ajay Mallia
Educational	Manju Grover Venugopal
Industry Relations	Mark B Mitchell
Mentoring	Cheryl D Trusty
Minority Affairs	Pamela M Leggett Robinson
Project SEED	Ajay Mallia
Strategic Planning	Jason Lye
Strategic Planning	Tyler Kinner
Strategic Planning	Cheryl D Trusty

### 2. How many subsections were active in your local section? \*

### 3. How many subsection meetings were held? \*

### 4. How many topical groups were active in your local section? \*

### 5. How many topical group meetings were held? \*

\*A person who is not a member of the SOCIETY shall not become a member of any Local Section, but Local Sections may provide in their bylaws to have Local Section Affiliates, not members of the SOCIETY, who shall be entitled to all the privileges of membership in the Local Section, as provided in the Local Section bylaws, except that of holding an elective position of the Local Section, or voting on Articles of Incorporation and bylaws for the Local Section, or serving as a voting member of its Executive Committee or equivalent policymaking body, or voting for Councilor(s) or Alternate Councilor(s) from the Local Section. In their bylaws, Local Sections may either provide or withhold the privilege of voting by Local Section Affiliates for an elective position (other than Councilor or Alternate Councilor) of the

Local Section. Local Section Affiliates may be appointed as Committee Chairs, if allowed by the bylaws of the Local Section.

**6. How many dues-paying local section affiliates\* were there in the local section? \***

0

**7. Did your local section support (financial or otherwise) an existing Technician Affiliate Group (TAG) \***

- Yes
- No

**8. What was the approximate number of active volunteers in your local section? \***

25

**9. Please estimate the number of volunteers that were new. \***

10

**10. Please indicate all the ways that your local section recognized volunteers? \***

- Awards
- Certificates
- Letter to Volunteer
- Letter to Volunteer Supervisor
- Recognition at Event
- Recognition in Newsletter
- Recognition on Web
- Other

Will be presenting special gift cards to all volunteers who have helped me the most this year. They will be presented, along with ChemLuminary, and other awards the next time we have an in-person meeting. Past-Chair in my realm sent a a very nice and prestigious letter to the manager of Ram Sabnis. A copy of this letter is available. Will try to figure out where to upload that letter.

# Communication

**Please input your responses to all questions based on the annual reporting year (unless otherwise instructed.)**

**1. Did your local section have a representative on your Regional Meeting Board or Steering Committee? \***

- Yes
- No

**2. How did Councilors report to your local section members about national ACS matters? \***

At an Executive Committee Meeting

At a Section Meeting

In an email

In the newsletter

On the local section website

Other

**3. On average, how many members attended a local section meeting? \***

**4. How many local section meetings were held? \***

**5. How does the section's leadership communicate information to its members (including social media channels)?**

**a . General description of communication:**

Communication for each meeting was done via email and web. Some events were also communicated via social media (FB, Instagram, LinkedIn, Twitter etc.). Some events were included in the newsletter, if they happen to be held around the time of newsletter publishing.

**b . How Often do these communications occur? Number of newsletters published:**

3

**c . How Often do these communications occur? Number of meeting notices:**

30

**6. What social media does your local section use? (If selected, the link is required.)**

Facebook

ACS Georgia

Instagram

ACSGA

LinkedIn

ACS Georgia Local Section

Snapchat

TikTok

Twitter

Other

**7. Did your local section have a website? \***

Yes

No

**If the answer to above question is YES, what was the URL for your website?**

<https://acsga.org/>

**8. Did your local section post its Annual Report on the website? \***



- Yes
- No

## Nomination

The Local Section (LS) Outstanding Performance (OP) ChemLuminary Award is given annually to a local section in each section size category by the Local Section Activities Committee. This award recognizes the most outstanding performance of a LS in a particular size category in supporting ACS, its section members, students, the public, the education enterprise, industry, other ACS sections, other professional societies, and partnering organizations. The review is based solely on the LS FORMS annual report (AR), considering primarily the summary self-nomination statement below and the summary descriptions contained within Events, Activities, and Meetings. Other performance indicators may include administrative (e.g. participation in elections) and financial (e.g. sound budgetary policy) aspects. Timely submission of your administration and financial forms is a major factor in the evaluation of your LS for the Outstanding Performance Award.

### 1. Our Section would like to self-nominate for the Local Section Outstanding Performance Award \*

- Yes
- No

**Please provide a summary self-nomination statement of 500-word or less. The summary statement should highlight local section's activities to support your nomination.**

The description below is highlighting the experiences, skills, as well as our local section's goals and objectives achieved under my Chairmanship. I am highlighting plans that include background, our local sections' involvement in various outreach activities, educational and entertaining events, and their comparison with previous activities, and why I believe that these activities and objectives were an asset to our local Georgia section. I believe that we have demonstrated that our Georgia Local Section was passionate, and we committed to our goals at a very high level such that we excelled in 2022. Here is the list of the first orders of business: 1) We defined a clear and measurable five-year strategy and goals. 2) We constantly reviewed and kept adjusting these goals to ensure the achievability of each of the goals. 3) We developed an action plan for achieving each goal. 4) We promoted membership participation. 5) We regularly measured progress to stay on track. Some of the biggest changes we made, as a team, in our local section and continue to operate and support are A) The financial planning and budgeting made more transparent, and B) Developing a modified spending plan to align non-profit reserve levels with cash reserves. We participated in special programs project SEED initiative at GGC, where HMURS/HERTY participants were invited. We won the volunteer of the year award as well as excelled in winning MAC & WCC programs. One of our MAC volunteers was nominated and won the Stanley C. Israel Regional Award for Advancing Diversity in the chemical sciences. Overall, 2022 was an excellent year for the Georgia Local Section with 11 successful events with great attendance, networking, and excellent event planning. I strongly feel that with my leadership, I encourage making all the events a lot more fun, I encouraged people to participate and clicked a lot of pictures to get people more interested. In 2021, we had a leadership strategy developed to execute a five-year strategy for our section, including Vision & Mission statements, Goals, and Strategies with designated champions for each initiative. These goals were aligned with ACS's mission and vision and as Chair in 2022 I made sure to continue this mission. Other major initiatives included: the Backpack for Barbara IPG Grant of \$3500 which activated the \$1500 matching funds. MAC/WCC Breast Cancer Event, MAC Awards, and HERTY/HMURS Member Engagement: Under my planning, personal email and phone calls were made to all 50/60/70/80 members. Got Many seniors showed interest and gave a talk about their careers. I used my chair discretion funds to pay for an uber taxi for one of the senior members with a disability. I am grateful and honored to have an opportunity to be

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## Supporting Materials

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Supporting material for Georgia Local Section Self Nomination	CHAIR ANNUAL REPORT Presentation.pptx	45.06 MB	2/15/2023