

### *The Origin of Our Constitution*

When we gathered in Jay's office to organize the society, one of the first tasks was to create a constitution. As no one else had any lawyers to suggest I recommended an acquaintance of mine. He produced a document that Jay totally disapproved of (for reasons that I do not recall). As this lawyer was not a specialist in professional societies, we began studying the constitutions of other such organizations. The constitution of The Institute of Management Science appealed to us. So we adapted it to what we felt that we needed. As it has been modified several times since then it is obvious that we did not do a perfect job, although we have grown twenty fold in twenty-five years.

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