## Report of the Amateur Radio Legal Defense and Assistance Committee The American Radio Relay League 2012 Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors – January, 2012

**Committee Members:** Director Cliff Ahrens, KØCA, Chairman; Director Brian Mileshosky, N5ZGT; Director David Norris K5UZ; Vice Director Mike Raisbeck, K1TWF; General Counsel Christopher Imlay, W3KD; and Jim O'Connell, W9WU.

## **Committee Activities**

This committee is charged with evaluating individual requests for financial assistance from amateurs involved in legal, legislative, or regulatory activities relating to Amateur Radio. The sole source of funding awards is the ARRL Legal Research and Resource Fund.

No requests for funding have been received since the July, 2011 meeting, and no requests are pending before the committee.

General Counsel Imlay has previously reported to the Board and the Executive Committee concerning the following two matters, but as of this report, no requests for funding have been received on either.

On September 6, 2011, ARRL Volunteer Counsel Fred Hopengarten K1VR filed a declaratory judgment and injunction action in the United States District Court for the District of Nevada, on behalf of Tom Taormina K5RC and his wife Midge K7AFO, against Storey County, Nevada.

Attorney Fred Hopengarten and an ARRL VC are assisting Ryan Cairns KX3C in a matter against the Charlotte-Mecklenburg, North Carolina zoning authority.

There are no other matters presently pending before the committee.

## Cliff Ahrens KØCA

Cliff Ahrens, KØCA Chairman

January 4, 2012