

### **2.3.3 PSPB Members-at-large**

The PSPB Members-at-large shall be appointed by the IEEE Board of Directors for a three-year term beginning 1 January. There shall be nine Members-at-large and their terms shall be staggered.

#### A. FUNCTIONS

1. Represents the interests of all IEEE members.

#### B. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Attends all PSPB meetings, becomes informed on the issues, and participates in the discussions.
2. Ensures, through PSPB participation, that its actions benefit the profession at large.

#### C. QUALIFICATIONS

1. Must be an IEEE Member, Graduate Student Member, Senior Member, or Fellow.
2. Previous experience as a member of one of the PSPB or ad hoc Committees is preferred.
3. Must be able to commit sufficient time to carry out his/her duties and responsibilities.
4. Should have the support of his/her employer in meeting the obligations of the position.

#### D. VACANCIES

In the case that an elected Member-at-large is no longer able to serve, the vacancy shall be filled from the most recent list of alternates approved by the IEEE Board of Directors in the order determined by the PSPB voting procedure. The person selected to fill the vacancy shall serve the remainder of the term of the vacated Member-at-large position. An exception occurs when a Member-at-large is no longer able to serve the final six months of the three-year term of service, in which case the position remains vacant for the remainder of the term.

Partial terms are counted toward established term limits for subsequent PSPB MAL elections, using the following criteria:

1. If a vacancy is filled during the first half of the term of the vacated position, the appointment counts as the initial term for the selected alternate with regard to term limit restrictions for the Member-at-large position.
2. If the appointment occurs during the second half of the term, that time served will not count as a full term with regard to term limit restrictions for the Member-at-large position.