



AMERICAN COUNSELING ASSOCIATION

ACA: The Big Picture for Leaders 2009-2010

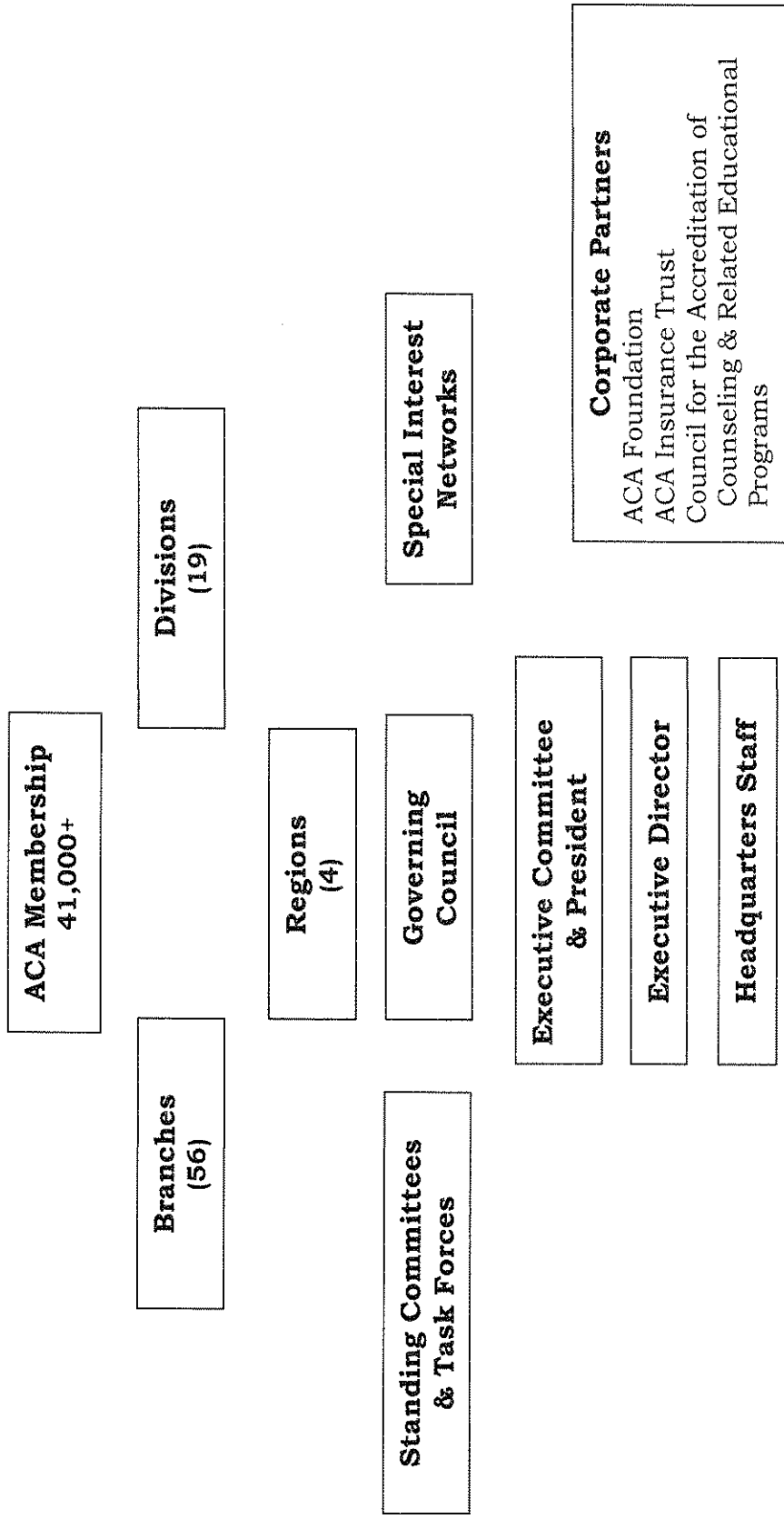
MISSION

To enhance the quality of life in society by promoting the development of professional counselors, advancing the counseling profession, and using the profession and practice of counseling to promote respect for human dignity and diversity.

VISION

The American Counseling Association is the publicly recognized organization to which all professional counselors belong.

BYLAWS AND GOVERNANCE STRUCTURE



The ACA Bylaws set forth the basic governance structure for the administration of Association affairs. Association leaders, including ACA national, division, region and branch officers, should familiarize themselves with the policies and guidelines set forth in the Bylaws, the Policies and Procedures Manual and the Operating Handbooks.

REGIONS AND BRANCHES

ACA has 56 branches, including each state, plus the District of Columbia, Europe, Latin America, Puerto Rico, Virgin Islands and the Philippines. The branches are organized into four regions: ACA Midwest Region, ACA North Atlantic Region, ACA Southern Region, and ACA Western Region. A region chair is elected for each region.

MIDWEST REGION

Illinois	Minnesota	Ohio
Indiana	Missouri	Oklahoma
Iowa (inactive)	Nebraska	South Dakota
Kansas	North Dakota	Wisconsin
Michigan		

NORTH ATLANTIC REGION

Connecticut	Massachusetts (inactive)	Puerto Rico
Delaware	New Hampshire (inactive)	Rhode Island (inactive)
District of Columbia	New Jersey	Vermont (inactive)
Europe	New York	Virgin Islands
Maine	Pennsylvania	

SOUTHERN REGION

Alabama	Latin America (inactive)	South Carolina
Arkansas	Louisiana	Tennessee
Florida	Maryland	Texas
Georgia (reforming)	Mississippi	Virginia
Kentucky	North Carolina	West Virginia

WESTERN REGION

Alaska	Idaho	Philippines (inactive)
Arizona	Montana (inactive)	Utah (inactive)
California	Nevada	Washington State
Colorado	New Mexico	Wyoming
Hawaii	Oregon	

American Counseling Association Divisions

	Name of Division	Date Chartered
AACE	Association for Assessment in Counseling and Education	1965
AADA	Association for Adult Development and Aging	1986
ACC	Association for Creativity in Counseling	2004
ACCA	American College Counseling Association	1991
ACEG	Association for Counselors and Educators in Government	1984
ACES	Association for Counselor Education and Supervision	1952
ALGBTIC	Association for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual & Transgender Issues in Counseling	1996
AMCD	Association for Multicultural Counseling and Development	1972
AMHCA	American Mental Health Counselors Dr. W. Mark Hamilton, Executive Director 801 North Fairfax Street, Suite 304 Alexandria, Virginia 22314 800/326-2642 or 703/548-6002 703/548-4775 (FAX) Mhamilton@amhca.org (E-mail)	1978
ARCA	American Rehabilitation Counseling Association	1958
ASCA	American School Counselor Association Mr. Richard Wong, Executive Director 1101 King St., Suite 625 Alexandria, Virginia 22308 800/306-4722 or 703/683-2722 703/683-1619 (FAX) Richard@schoolcounselor.org (E-mail)	1953
ASERVIC	Association for Spiritual, Ethical and Religious Values in Counseling	1974
ASGW	Association for Specialists in Group Work	1973
C-AHEAD	Counseling Association for Humanistic Education & Development	1952
CSJ	Counselors for Social Justice	1999
IAAOC	Intl Association of Addictions and Offender Counselors	1974

IAMFC	Intl Association of Marriage and Family Counselors c/o Dr. Robert L. Smith Texas A & M University – Corpus Christi Department of Counseling & Education Psychology 224 ECDC 6300 Ocean Drive Corpus Christi, TX 78412 361/825-2307 (o) 361/825-3301 (f) Robert.smith@mail.tamucc.edu (E-mail)	1989
NCDA	National Career Development Association Deneen Pennington, Executive Director National Career Development Association 305 North Beech Circle Broken Arrow, OK 74012 918-663-7060 or Toll-Free - 866-367-6232 918-663-7058 (f) dpenn@ncda.org	1952
NECA	National Employment Counseling Association John Hakemian, Executive Director 5347 Turkey Point Road (<i>Address from May to October</i>) North East, MD 21901 609-220-9987 (cell) 38 Ocean Way (<i>Address from October to May</i>) Ponce Inlet FL 32127 386-322-4512 (o) 386-322-4512 (f)	1966

ACA STANDING COMMITTEES 2009-2010

Awards Committee
Branch Development Committee
Bylaws and Policies Committee
Ethics Committee
Financial Affairs Committee
International Committee
Nominations and Election Committee
Publications Committee
Public Policy and Legislation Committee
Strategic Planning Committee (Special Task Force in 2009-2010)

Other Standing Committees will be inactive during 2009-2010.

SPECIAL INTEREST NETWORKS

Children's Counseling Interest Network
ACA Interest Network for Professional Counselors in Schools
Forensic Counseling Interest Network
Grief and Bereavement Interest Network
Historical Issues in Counseling Network
Interest Network for Advances in Therapeutic Humor
Multiracial/Multiethnic Counseling Concerns Interest Network
Network for Jewish Interests
Sports Counseling Interest Network
Traumatology Interest Network
Wellness Interest Network
Women's Interest Network

CORPORATE PARTNERS

ACA Insurance Trust, Inc.

ACAIT operates as an independent for-profit corporation in partnership with ACA. The Trust consists of ten members. Four are appointed by ACA presidents and have counseling credentials. Two are appointed by an outside independent firm and have insurance industry experience. The ACA President is also a voting member of the Trust. Ex-officio members include the ACA President-elect, ACA Executive Director and the Executive Director of the Trust.

American Counseling Association Foundation

Created by ACA in 1979, the American Counseling Association Foundation's (ACAF) purpose is to enhance excellence in human development through strengthening the counseling profession, developing human and material resources, supporting innovative research and services, and fostering collaborative efforts in response to societal needs.

ACAF is supported by gifts from individuals, corporations, and foundations as well as ACA divisions and branches. As a 501(C)(3) corporation, donations to ACAF are tax deductible.

Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs

The Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related Educational Programs (CACREP) is an independent council, created by ACA in 1981, to accredit the counseling profession's graduate-level preparation programs. As a specialized accrediting body recognized by the Council for Higher Education Accreditation (CHEA), CACREP promotes the development and implementation of preparation standards; provides for rigorous and objective program review; and works with other credentialing organizations to ensure quality training in the counseling profession.

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Insurance Trust Ext. 284

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International Association of Marriage
and Family Counselors 361/825-2307

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