AUDIT COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF DAILY JOURNAL CORPORATION

CHARTER

I. PURPOSE

The primary function of the Audit Committee is to assist the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Daily Journal Corporation (the "Corporation") in fulfilling its oversight responsibilities by reviewing (i) the Corporation's financial reports, (ii) the Corporation's systems of internal controls regarding finance, accounting, legal compliance and ethics that the Board and management have established, and (iii) the Corporation's auditing, accounting and financial reporting processes generally. Consistent with this function, the Audit Committee should encourage continuous improvement of, and should foster adherence to, the Corporation's policies, procedures and practices at all levels. The Audit Committee's primary duties and responsibilities are to:

- Serve as an independent and objective party to monitor the Corporation's financial reporting process and internal control system.
- Select the Corporation's independent accountants and review and appraise their audit efforts.
- Provide an open avenue of communication among the independent accountants, financial and senior management, and the Board of Directors.
- Oversee the independence of the independent accountants.

The Audit Committee will primarily fulfill these responsibilities by carrying out the activities enumerated in Section IV of this Charter.

II. COMPOSITION

- (a) The Audit Committee shall be comprised of three or more directors as determined by the Board.
- (b) All members of the Audit Committee shall meet the independence requirements of the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc., Section 10A(m)(3) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act") and the rules and regulations of the Securities Exchange Commission (the "Commission").
- (c) The members of the Audit Committee shall be elected by the Board at the annual organizational meeting of the Board or until their successors shall be duly elected and qualified. Unless a Chair is elected by the full Board, the members of the Audit Committee may designate a Chair by majority vote of the full Audit Committee membership.
- (d) All members of the Audit Committee shall be able to read and understand fundamental financial statements, and at least one member of the Audit Committee shall be a "financial expert" as defined by the Commission. The Board will determine which member (or members) of the Audit Committee shall be designated as a "financial expert."
- (e) When appropriate, the Audit Committee may designate one or more of its members to perform certain of its duties on its behalf, subject to such reporting to or ratification by the Audit Committee as the Audit Committee may direct.

III. MEETINGS

- (a) The Audit Committee shall meet as frequently as circumstances dictate.
- (b) As part of its job to foster open communication, the Audit Committee should meet at least annually with senior and financial management and the independent accountants in separate executive sessions to discuss any matters that the Audit Committee or each of these groups believe should be discussed privately.

IV. RESPONSIBILITIES AND DUTIES

To fulfill its responsibilities and duties the Audit Committee shall:

(a) <u>Documents/Reports Review</u>

- 1. Review this Charter at least annually, and amend it as conditions dictate.
- 2. Review the Corporation's annual financial statements and any reports or other financial information prepared by the independent accountants. If deemed appropriate after such review, the Audit Committee shall recommend to the Board that the financial statements be included in the Corporation's 10-K.
- 3. Review the regular internal reports to senior management prepared by financial management and any responses to such reports.
- 4. Review each 10-Q prior to its filing.
- 5. Discuss with the independent accountants the Corporation's quarterly financial statements prior to the filing of the Corporation's 10-Q, including the results of the independent accountants' review of the quarterly financial statements in accordance with Rule 10-01(d) of Regulation S-X.
- 6. Review with financial management and the independent accountants those communications required to be communicated by the independent accountants by Statement of Accounting Standards (SAS) 61 as amended by SAS 90 relating to the conduct of the audit.
- 7. Prepare (i) the Audit Committee report required by the rules of the Commission to be included in the Corporation's annual proxy statement and (ii) any disclosure required to be included in the Corporation's public filings if the Audit Committee approves the performance of any non-audit services by the independent accountants.

(b) Independent Accountants, Independent Counsel, and Other Advisers

- 8. Have the authority to appoint, oversee, evaluate and, where appropriate, replace the independent accountants, who shall report directly and be accountable to the Audit Committee.
- 9. Be directly responsible for approving the fees and other compensation to be paid to the independent accountants for the purpose of preparing or issuing an audit report or related work, and for oversight of their work (including resolution of any disagreements between management and the independent accountants regarding financial reporting).
- 10. Pre-approve all auditing services and permitted non-audit services (including the fees and terms thereof) to be performed for the Corporation by its independent accountants, subject to the de minimus exceptions for non-audit services described in Section 10A(i)(1)(B) of the Exchange Act.
- 11. Review reports from the independent accountants regarding (i) all critical accounting policies and practices to be used; (ii) alternative treatments of financial information within generally accepted accounting principles that have been discussed with management, ramifications of their use and the treatment preferred by the independent accountants; and (iii) other material written communications between the independent accountants and management, such as any management letter or schedule of unadjusted differences.

- Evaluate the qualifications and performance of the independent accountants and obtain and review a report from the 12. independent accountants at least annually regarding (i) the independent accountants' internal quality-control procedures, (ii) any material issues raised by the most recent internal quality-control review or peer review of the firm, or by any inquiry or investigation by governmental or professional authorities within the preceding five years respecting one or more audits carried out by the firm and (iii) any steps taken to deal with any such issues.
 - 13. On an annual basis, review and discuss with the independent accountants all significant relationships the independent accountants have with the Corporation to determine their continued independence. Also on an annual basis, the Audit Committee shall ensure its receipt from the independent accountants of a formal written statement delineating all relationships between the auditor and the Corporation, consistent with Independence Standards Board Standard No. 1. The Audit Committee will take, or recommend that the Board take, any other appropriate action to oversee the independence of the independent accountants.
 - 14. Monitor the rotation of the lead (or coordinating) audit partner having primary responsibility for the audit and the audit partner responsible for reviewing the audit, in each case at least once every five years (or more frequently, if required by law or regulation).
 - 15. Periodically consult with the independent accountants out of the presence of management about internal controls over financial reporting and the fullness and accuracy of the Corporation's financial statements.
 - 16. Have the authority to engage independent counsel and other advisers, as it deems necessary to carry out its duties.
 - 17. Direct the Corporation to pay the amounts determined by the Audit Committee to be paid as compensation to the independent accountants for purposes of preparing or issuing an audit report and to any advisers employed by the Audit Committee.

(c) Financial Reporting Processes and Controls

- 18. In consultation with the independent accountants and financial management, review the integrity of the Corporation's financial reporting processes and controls, both its internal controls over financial reporting and its external controls.
- 19. Consider the independent accountants' judgments about the quality and appropriateness of the Corporation's accounting principles as applied in its financial reporting.
- 20. Consider and approve, if appropriate, changes to the Corporation's auditing and accounting principles and practices as suggested by the independent accountants or financial management.
- 21. Periodically review the Corporation's system of internal controls over financial reporting and consider their effectiveness in ensuring that (i) records are maintained in reasonable detail and accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and disposition of the assets of the Corporation, (ii) there is reasonable assurance that transactions are recorded as necessary to permit preparation of financial statements in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, and that receipts and expenditures of the Corporation are being made only in accordance with authorizations of managements and directors of the Corporation and (iii) there is reasonable assurance regarding prevention or timely detection of unauthorized acquisition, use or disposition of the Corporation's assets that could have a material effect on the financial statements.

Review any disclosures made to the Audit Committee by the Corporation's CEO and CFO during the certification process for 22. the Corporation's 10-Ks and 10-Qs about (i) any significant deficiencies in the design or operation of internal controls over financial reporting or material weaknesses therein, (ii) any fraud involving management or other employees who have a significant role in the Corporation's internal controls over financial reporting and (iii) any change in internal controls over financial reporting that has materially affected or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Corporation's internal controls over financial reporting.

(d) Process Improvement

- 23. Establish regular and separate systems of reporting to the Audit Committee by each of financial management and the independent accountants regarding any significant judgments made in management's preparation of the financial statements and the view of each as to the appropriateness of such judgments.
- 24. Establish procedures for the receipt, retention, treatment and investigation of complaints received by the Corporation regarding accounting, internal accounting controls or auditing matters, and the confidential, anonymous submission by employees of concerns regarding questionable accounting or auditing matters.
- 25. Following completion of the annual audit, review separately with each of financial management and the independent accountants any significant difficulties encountered during the course of the audit, including any restrictions on the scope of work or access to required information.
- 26. Review and resolve any disagreement among management and the independent accountants in connection with the preparation of the financial statements.
- 27. Review with the independent accountants and management the extent to which changes or improvements in financial or accounting practices or controls have been implemented. (This review should be conducted at an appropriate time subsequent to implementation of changes or improvements, as decided by the Audit Committee.)
- 28. Oversee and enforce compliance by all directors, officers and employees with the Corporation's Code of Ethics, and handle and investigate, as deemed appropriate, any reports of a known or suspected violation of the Code of Ethics.
- 29. Review and approve any "related party transactions" that would be required to be disclosed pursuant to Commission Regulation S-K, Item 404.
- 30. Perform any other activities consistent with this Charter, the Corporation's By-laws and governing law, as the Audit Committee or the Board deems necessary or appropriate.