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MIDDLE DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

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IN RE:  
CODE OF PROFESSIONALISM

GENERAL ORDER NUMBER 99-6

IT IS ORDERED that this Court hereby adopts the Louisiana State Bar Association's Code of Professionalism, a copy of which is attached.

Baton Rouge, Louisiana, September 21, 1999.

*Frank J. Polozola*

FRANK J. POLOZOLA, CHIEF JUDGE  
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA

*Ralph E. Tyson*

RALPH E. TYSON  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

*John V. Parker*

JOHN V. PARKER  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

*C. Judicial  
Office*

## CODE OF PROFESSIONALISM

Adopted by the Judges of the Middle District of Louisiana on  
September 21, 1999

My word is my bond. I will never intentionally mislead the court or other counsel. I will not knowingly make statements of fact or law that are untrue.

- I will clearly identify for other counsel changes I have made in documents submitted to me.
- I will conduct myself with dignity, civility, courtesy and a sense of fair play.
- I will not abuse or misuse the law, its procedures or the participants in the judicial process.
- I will consult with other counsel whenever scheduling procedures are required and will be cooperative in scheduling discovery, hearings, the testimony of witnesses and in the handling of the entire course of any legal matter.
- I will not file or oppose pleadings, conduct discovery or utilize any course of conduct for the purpose of undue delay or harassment of any other counsel or party. I will allow counsel fair opportunity to respond and will grant reasonable request for extensions of time.
- I will not engage in personal attacks on other counsel or the court. I will support my profession's efforts to enforce its disciplinary rules and will not make unfounded allegations of unethical conduct about other counsel.
- I will not use the threat of sanctions as a litigation tactic.
- I will cooperate with counsel and the court to reduce the cost of litigation and will readily stipulate to all matters not in dispute.
- I will be punctual in my communication with clients, other counsel and the court, and in honoring scheduled appearances.