Supreme Court of Florida

IN RE: FLORIDA SUPREME COURT
COMMISSION ON PROFESSIONALISM

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

On July 19, 1996, this Court entered its administrative order creating the Supreme Court Commission on Professionalism. Orders clarifying and amending this Order were entered by the Court on October 14, 1996, and November 13, 1997. In the interest of clarity, and of effecting an efficient transition of the Commission's membership upon the expiration of their several and various terms of office, it is hereby ordered:

1. The membership of the Commission shall consist of:

   (a) the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court or a designee (Commission Chair);

   (b) a judge of one of the District Courts of Appeal;

   (c) a judge of one of the judicial circuits;

(d) a judge of one of the county circuits;

(e) the deans of each accredited Florida law school;

(f) a former public member of The Florida Bar Board of Governors;

(g) the President of The Florida Bar;

(h) the President-elect of The Florida Bar;

(i) the President of the Young Lawyers' Division;

(j) the President-elect of the Young Lawyers' Division;

(k) seven (7) practicing members in good standing of The Florida Bar;

(l) up to and including five (5) at-large members appointed and serving at the discretion of the Commission chair; and,

(m) persons whose terms on the Commission have expired, as ex officio members.

2. The terms of the Chief Justice, of the Presidents and Presidents-elect of the Florida Bar and the Young Lawyers' Division, and of the Deans of all accredited Florida law schools shall coincide with their respective terms of office. At-large members shall serve at the pleasure of the Commission Chair, and there shall be no term limitation on the service of ex-officio members. All other members shall serve a four (4)-year term of office.

3. The Court shall appoint or designate the judicial members (1a - d) as and when their terms of office expire, or upon vacation of office by any such member prior to such expiration. Members appointed in the latter event shall serve only until the end of the unexpired term, at which time the Court shall appoint a full-term member.

4. The Florida Bar through its Board of Governors shall appoint the former public member of the Board of Governors (1f) and the seven (7) practicing lawyers (1k) as and when their terms of office expire under the terms of this Order, or upon vacation of office by any such member prior to such expiration. Members appointed in the latter event shall serve only until the end of the unexpired term, at which time The Florida Bar through its Board of Governors shall appoint a full-term member.

5. The Center for Professionalism (Center) shall at all times maintain a listing of the current Commission membership, along with their respective terms of office. Three (3) months prior to the scheduled expiration of the term of a Commission member specified in subsections 1a - d, f, or k, the Center shall notify the appropriate appointing authority of the pending Commission vacancy of which the term is then unexpired.

DONE AND ORDERED at Tallahassee, Florida, this 19th day of October, 1999.

CHIEF JUSTICE
SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA

ATTEST:

ACTING CLERK
SUPREME COURT OF FLORIDA