

# Supreme Court of Florida

No. AOSC19-12

IN RE: FLORIDA SUPREME COURT COMMISSION ON  
PROFESSIONALISM AND CIVILITY

## ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

On July 19, 1996, this Court entered an Administrative Order establishing the Florida Supreme Court Commission on Professionalism, now known as the Florida Supreme Court Commission on Professionalism and Civility.<sup>1</sup> The Commission was established to “address the subject of professionalism among all members of Florida’s legal community” and charged with “the planning and implementation of an ongoing plan and policy to ensure that the fundamental ideals and values of the justice system and the legal profession are inculcated in all of the persons serving or seeking to serve the system.” The Florida Bar was charged “to provide the Commission with all necessary assistance to see that the mission of the Commission is carried out.” The Commission serves at the pleasure of this Court.

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1. See *In re: Florida Supreme Court Commission on Professionalism and Civility*, Fla. Admin. Order No. AOSC17-89 (Oct. 9, 2017).

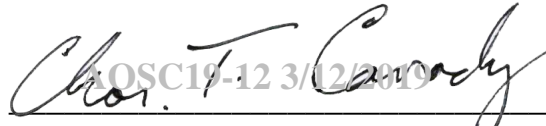
In the 1996 Administrative Order, this Court also created The Florida Bar's Center for Professionalism, renamed the Henry Latimer Center for Professionalism, and The Florida Bar Standing Committee on Professionalism. The mission of the Henry Latimer Center for Professionalism is "to promote the fundamental ideals and values of the justice system within the legal system, and to instill those ideals of character, civility, competence, and commitment in all those persons serving therein." The Center's mission is consistent with the purpose this Court envisioned when establishing the Commission.

As charged by this Court, the Center provides staff support for the Commission, and directives and programs of the Commission are carried out by the Center. Moreover, the Center carries out programs and promotes professionalism separate from the work of the Commission. Indeed, we are pleased to report that since its establishment, the Henry Latimer Center for Professionalism has grown in prominence and scope until it has now subsumed the charge to the Commission.

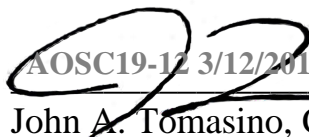
The Court finds that the fundamental ideals of professionalism are being carried out by The Florida Bar and the Center to such an extent that the Commission may be discontinued without affecting the goals the Commission was established to achieve. Accordingly, the Florida Supreme Court Commission on Professionalism and Civility is hereby concluded and dissolved.

The Court expresses its appreciation to all Commission members for their dedicated service.

DONE AND ORDERED at Tallahassee, Florida, on March 12, 2019.

  
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Chief Justice Charles T. Canady  
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ATTEST:

  
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John A. Tomasino, Clerk of Court  
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