

CODE OF ETHICS.

1. In Relation to the Bench.

1. Maintain a courteous and respectful demeanour towards the Judges, and respect their high position.
2. So act as to gain and hold the respect and confidence of the Judges.
3. Cite precedents and principles and state facts without distortion or colour to suit a client's cause.
4. Avoid the citation of a multiplicity of authorities to obscure the real issue.
5. Avoid communication or private argument with, or any attempt to obtain special personal consideration from, a Judge in respect of a pending cause.
6. When proper ground for serious complaint against a judicial officer exists, submit the grievance to the proper authorities.
7. Be punctual in attendance and concise and direct in the trial and disposition of causes.

2. In Relation to Clients.

1. Place trust in clients and cultivate their trust.
2. Avoid imparting to professional duties a client's personal feelings and prejudices.
3. If assigned to represent an indigent prisoner do not ask to be excused for trivial reason, but exert your best offices in his behalf.
4. In defending a person accused of crime, disregard your personal opinion as to his guilt, and by all fair and honourable means present every defence that the law permits.
5. In prosecuting for the Crown, remember that your primary duty is not to convict, but to see that justice is done. Suppress no facts capable of establishing the innocence of the accused.
6. Represent a client with undivided fidelity and refrain from divulging his secrets or confidences.
7. Disclose to a client all the circumstances of your relations to the parties, and any interest in or in connection with the controversy which might influence him in the selection of counsel.
8. Avoid representing conflicting interests, except by consent of all concerned given after full disclosure of the facts.