



## JUDICIAL COUNCIL CODE OF CONDUCT

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1. Justices shall act at all times in a manner that promotes public confidence in the independence, integrity, and impartiality of the Judicial Council and shall avoid impropriety and the appearance of impropriety.
2. Justices shall treat each party in a case equally and consider each side of the case thoroughly and responsibly.
3. Justices shall make an effort to educate themselves of governing documents, policies, and other pertinent information in resolving cases.
4. Justices shall not abuse the prestige of the Judicial Office to advance the personal or economic interests of the Justice or others, or allow others to do so.
5. Justices shall adhere to the Council's mandatory attendance policy.
  - a. All meetings and hearings of the Judicial Council are mandatory.
    - i. This includes online correspondence for deliberations which must be responded to by the deadline established by the Chief Justice.
  - b. The Chief Justice shall maintain attendance records and determine if absences are excused or unexcused.
    - i. In the absence of the Chief Justice, the Associate Chief Justice will maintain records and determine if absences are excused or unexcused.
    - ii. In the absence of both the Chief Justice and the Associate Chief Justice, the Most Senior Justice shall maintain attendance records and determine if absences are excused or unexcused.
  - c. Justices are allowed only two (2) unexcused absences throughout a semester.
  - d. Justices who accrue more than two (2) unexcused absences throughout a semester shall be dismissed.
    - i. Justices may appeal a dismissal from the Council by 2/3 majority vote of the Council.
6. Justices shall make an effort to present themselves with dignity and respect, making sure to adhere to mandatory dress codes.
  - a. Judicial robes shall be worn during all in-person hearings and administration of the Oath of Office. Appropriate attire shall be worn beneath the robe.
  - b. Judicial robes shall be worn during all in-person Senate meetings.