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Committee of responsible persons: 12/01 (Election), 12/14 (Election), 14/04, 14/09, 17/26 (Election), 18/16 (Election)

Disposition of unexpended: 77/5, 83/1, 88/13, 00/25

Donating funds remaining in judge’s campaign account to not-for-profit organization on whose board judge serves: 14/24

Hole sponsor at YLS hosted charity golf tournament: 11/15 recedes from 10/23 and 10/30

Judge’s contribution to judicial assistant’s student government campaign: 08/07

Legislator friends and school board members sponsoring fund-raiser: 98/3

New Code of Judicial Conduct: 95/2, 95/5, 95/6

Opening campaign account: 95/17

Pro rata return of surplus to contributors, including attorneys: 00/25

Receipt of contributions, generally: 12/01 (Election), 17/26 (Election)

Removing funds from a post office box: 12/17 (Election)

Salary, personal purposes: 88/13

Soliciting: 72/1, 76/15

Soliciting funds for election while also seeking appointment as judge: 00/19
Thanking contributors of: 77/22
To pay filing fees: 92/27
Travel expenses: 88/13
Treasurer: 72/1, 80/9

Use of to provide notice that member of judge’s campaign committee is opposing counsel in case: 13/18

Website, payment for and management of: 14/04

Campaign Literature:

Advertising depicting judge candidate wearing robe: 08/11

Advertising including photo of judge candidate being sworn in by now-deceased former judge: 14/10

Advertising including photos of judge candidate with elected and non-elected officers and colleagues: 08/11

Advertising including photos of judge with jurors and unsolicited letters from jurors complimenting judge: 08/11

Advertising negative information about opponent: 90/18, 98/27

Campaign fund-raising letter from judge’s parents: 08/09

Designation of position when candidate is employed by state attorney but was placed on leave of absence: 90/18

Distribution of endorsement letter from attorney who endorsed another candidate in different judicial race: 13/21

Domestic Relations Commissioner, terms defining position as: 84/17

Endorsing judicial candidates by mailing brochures of three judicial candidates in one envelope: 04/29

Judge’s campaign website referring to and facilitating the giving of campaign contributions: 08/11, 14/04

Judicial candidate placing campaign literature on display tables in Republican and Democratic committee headquarters: 04/31 (Election)

Materials depicting judge wearing robe: 08/11
Notice that member of judge’s campaign committee is opposing counsel, use of to provide: 13/18

On website: 99/26, 00/21, 12/15 (Election)

Partisan political group of volunteers for distribution to potential voters along with other partisan and nonpartisan candidates’ flyers, to: 18/12 (Election)

Photograph of candidate presiding in judicial robe in school mock trial competition: 18/14 (Elections)

Proposal “that courts be held on certain types of matters after regular working hours”: 88/15

Reproducing and distributing recommendations or endorsements or portions thereof in campaign literature: 04/33

Retired judge running for circuit judgeship: 08/10

Sending to political party upon request to obtain endorsement: 98/19

Statement that candidate served as volunteer judge in teen court diversion program: 04/20 (Election)

Traffic magistrate, terms to designate position: 90/17

Use of endorsement from elected partisan official: 06/21, 06/24 (Election)

Use of endorsement of partisan candidate unsuccessful in recent primary: 06/24 (Election)

Use of endorsement of retired judge: 06/24 (Election)

Use of photograph of candidate in judicial robe in campaign literature: 06/16 (Election), 18/14 (Election)

Use of photograph of candidate with spouse who is legislator: 98/19

Use of term “Elect Prosecutor (name of candidate) for Circuit Judge: 02/12 (Elections)

Use of term “part-time law professor” in campaign literature: 06/16 (Election)

Use of title “Judge” by retired senior judge judicial candidate: 08/13

Use of title “Magistrate” in campaign literature: 06/16 (Election)

Use of word “preside” in campaign literature: 06/16 (Election)

Using favorable remarks from juror questionnaires: 06/20 (Election)
Candidate: (see also Judicial Candidate)

For nonjudicial office: 76/11, 79/15, 96/5
Judge endorsing candidate for Bar presidency: 88/11, 88/12
Judge’s contribution to judicial assistant’s student government campaign: 08/07
Spouse candidate for nonjudicial office: 87/2, 90/7

Candidate for Judicial Office: (see Judicial Candidate)

Chair:

Anti-Defamation League Civil Rights Committee: 94/13
Anti-Defamation League of B’nai B’rith: 75/26
Body seeking to improve existing efforts to control drugs and crime: 89/14
Charitable organization fund-raiser: 00/31
Civic organization’s ways and means committee: 89/16
Co-chairman of organization directed at repeat juvenile offenders: 96/9
Committee to evaluate anti-crime resources: 89/14
County Fine Arts Council: 87/5
County’s correctional planning committee, as chief judge designate: 87/20
Editorial board, legal publication: 90/5
Family Law Section, The Florida Bar: 84/13
Fund-raising committee: 89/16
Golf tournament: 90/12
Governor’s Flagler County Advisory Committee: 80/11
Honorary: 86/6, 10/24
Human Rights Advocacy Committee: 76/21
SADD (Students Against Drunk Drivers): 86/6
Chamber of Commerce:

  Attendance, by judge facing re-election, at non-partisan political rally fund-raiser for Chamber: 15/13

  Legislative appreciation function: 76/6

Chambers, Judge’s

  Displaying art in connection with local government art-in-public-places program: 14/01

Character Letter:

  At request of supervisor of clerk in judge’s court: 94/45

  By law clerk for pre-sentence report: 97/3

  Clarification of opinions 79/3 and 82/15 regarding letters on behalf of persons seeking employment or school admission: 94/39

  Completing form at request of Florida Board of Bar Examiners in connection with disbarred attorney attempting to gain re-admission: 88/19

  For former client seeking commutation of prison sentence, at request of Florida Parole and Probation Commission: 84/14

  For former client for use before Florida Cabinet in clemency application: 97/7

  For former employee: 75/18

  For former staff attorney who applied for Harvard Law School Heyman Fellowship: 07/06

  For individual whom judge had contact with in official capacity who is seeking promotion within Division of Youth Services: 75/30

  For person applying for gun permit: 75/8

  For person applying for job: 75/8, 75/18

  For person applying for university admission: 75/8, 75/18

  For person convicted of felony seeking pardon from governor: 10/29

  For relative’s friend to another judge regarding drug program as alternative to incarceration: 10/34
Judge initiating letter to investigatory or adjudicatory body determining rights, duties, privileges, or immunities of person who is subject of letter: 75/6, 94/39

Pursuant to subpoena, for lawyer facing bar disciplinary action: 04/22

Recommendation of friend’s son for acceptance into law school: 79/3

To Bar Grievance Committee in disciplinary action: 75/18

To Board of Bar Examiners for disbarred attorney seeking re-admission to Florida Bar: 88/19

To Board of Bar Examiners for individual seeking admission to Florida Bar: 75/18, 82/15

To Clemency Board for individual seeking pardon: 82/15

To federal judge in criminal sentencing: 75/18

To Florida Supreme Court on behalf of attorney with disciplinary case pending: 75/6, 75/18

To Parole and Probation Commission at its request, concerning attorney within whom judge had great deal of experience: 75/22

To Parole and Probation Commission, recommending parole for inmate: 77/17

To U.S. Army JAG corps regarding attorney in judge’s circuit: 77/10

**Character Witness:**

On behalf of former client, by executing affidavit: 99/4

On behalf of friend in out-of-state sentencing hearing: 97/22

On behalf of suspended Florida Bar member: 86/10

Regarding police officer who lied under oath: 00/07

Subpoenaed to medical disciplinary board: 94/40

**Charitable and Civic Organizations, Activities, Canon 5C:**

Accepting award at charity function where there will be silent auction: 12/30

Advisory board, local law enforcement block grant: 97/24

Advisory committee for Adopt-A-Cop program: 92/47
Advisory Council of Women’s Development Center: 93/66

American Inn of Court award competition that includes contribution to charity of winners’ choice: 10/32

American Israel Public Affairs Committee: 01/13

Appearing in fund-raising ballet production sponsored by ballet company which is charitable organization and allowing production to use judge’s name and title to advertise event: 08/22

Appearing in Association for Women Lawyers fashion show to raise money for free childcare facility in courthouse and scholarship program for law students in need: 14/07

Attendance of local land trust meetings and participation on land trust committee: 93/33

B’nai B’rith: 85/4, 85/11

Board of directors of charitable organization: 94/8, 99/17, 13/16, 10/38, 17/19

Body seeking to improve existing efforts to control drugs and crime: 89/14

Boys Club: 76/8

Boys Ranch: 90/19

Brevard County Mental Health Center, Inc.: 74/16

Cancer Society: 90/27

Chairperson:

Board of governors of medical center: 94/2

Committee to evaluate anti-crime resources: 89/14

Fund-raising committee: 89/16

Golf tournament: 90/12

Honorary: 86/6

Non-profit civil organization: 02/17

Charity fund-raiser held by spouse at judge’s home: 01/09

Charity “garage sale” at home: 01/09 recedes from 75/11

Charity sports event: 88/5, 89/19
Charity tea and auction event: 00/31
Children’s commission: 01/16
Children’s services council: 97/20, 18/19
Church home for aged, director: 79/1
Church judicial council, serving on: 18/15
Church solicitations, participation in: 73/11
City’s agricultural fair association, membership in: 92/21
Collins Center for Public Policy: 00/09
Committee to distribute net income of charitable trust: 91/16
Community college foundation: 77/6
Contribution, request defendant to make: 84/11, 87/6, 89/10
C.O.R.E. (DUI Countermeasures School): 97/31
Council that nominates veterans to receive awards for service: 18/17
County commission on substance abuse: 99/07
County criminal justice commission: 97/20
County fire board: 99/11
Director, mental health task force: 98/6
Domestic violence council: 01/14
Domestic violence division judge participating in or attending awareness-raising non-profit organization fund-raiser: 13/18
Elks Club: 94/47
Exhibition basketball: 88/5
Family visitation facility: 97/11
Fashion show: 88/31, 00/17 recedes from 93/65, 98/32
Fine Arts Council: 87/5
Florida Heart Association: 74/14
Florida Legal Services (law clerk): 01/12
Forum Club: 82/3
Fraternal organization: 94/47
Girl Scouts: 12/24
Guest at fund-raiser: 86/5, 99/15
Guest of honor at lunch/dinner: 90/20, 99/9
Habitat for Humanity: 96/27
In general: 81/7
Jewish Fraternal Organization: 91/3
Judge’s ability to order defendants to pay money to charity as part of sentence: 84/11, 87/6, 89/10
Judging or participating in beauty/talent pageant: 93/24, 17/08
Kiwanis Club: 00/25
Lake Sumter Community Mental Health Center, Inc.: 75/2
Listing on charitable organization’s letterhead judge’s name and title along with other board members’ names: 06/05
MADD: 82/18, 06/17
Mayor’s task force on mortgage fraud: 08/01
Mediator recommendation by judge: 08/01
Member, board of directors, Family Day Care Home Association: 93/43
Member, leaseholder’s association: 94/43
Member, mayor’s victim’s assistance advisory council: 98/26
Member, victims’ rights organization: 98/8, 01/14
Membership on joint medical and trial lawyer committee: 93/4
Mental health center, board of directors: 93/40
Non-profit organization promoting cultural events in community: 02/17
Non-profit organization promoting merit retention: 99/24
Officer, in line to become president, of organization for benefit of families of law enforcement officers and firefighters: 15/12
Organizing group to promote positive intergroup relations: 93/22
Parent-teacher organization president: 94/41
Planning council fund-raising for university: 08/01
President, non-profit organization: 89/12, 89/18, 94/11
Prevention of Blindness charity fund-raising honorarium: 86/5
Progress 90: 85/5
Public policy institute: 03/17
Public radio station pledge drive: 86/14
Purchasing advertisement that congratulates award recipient when advertisement would appear in program materials distributed at fund-raising luncheon for Anti-Defamation League and advertisement would include judge’s name: 08/23
Recruiting existing members for leadership positions: 13/16
Restricting membership based on gender: 75/2
Rotary Club: 87/10
SADD (Students Against Drunk Drivers), honorary chairperson: 86/6
Salvation Army: 88/6
Scouting organization: 12/24, 13/16
Serving as board member of local community children’s alliance: 05/09
Serving as celebrity waiter/server at breakfast for local community children’s alliance: 05/09
Serving as officer of alumni association of public university: 09/04
Serving as wait staff for charitable organization’s fund-raiser: 11/14
Serving on board or as presenter at symposium of child advocacy center: 05/09
Serving on committee concerning family violence and its reduction: 05/09

Serving on committees or organizations chaired by elected officials, possibly in their election year: 05/09

Serving on executive committee of non-profit, charitable organization: 08/20

Serving on executive committee of non-profit museum: 08/20

Signing resolution of task force: 99/12

Solicitation for donations to reward probationers’ good behavior: 07/18

Solicitation of funds: 91/6

Speaking at non-profit association’s roast of local celebrity: 01/09

Taping public service announcement for local non-profit organization: 00/15

Tiger Bay Club: 92/28, 95/1

Traffic magistrate serving as legal counsel to charitable organization: 94/8

Ways and means committee: 89/16

Writing letters of support for different organizations: 05/09

Charter of Boat:

Conditions to govern venture: 88/6

Child:

Adult child living in judge’s home employed part-time by local attorney: 19/06

Attendance at adult child’s post (Election) gathering after polls close: 14/16

Child works in state attorney’s office: 12/02

Law firm publicly acknowledging, promoting, or marketing fact that attorney with firm is child of specifically named judge: 16/02

Child Abuse:

Cases, publication of book concerning: 88/14
Reporting suspected child abuse on form: 00/03

Child Support Enforcement Hearing Officer:

Practice of associate in hearing officer’s law firm: 00/32
Practice of probate, guardianship, and mental health law: 00/32
Practicing family law in another county: 98/12
Practicing law in same circuit and county where officer resides: 02/21
Practicing non-family law cases: 00/32, 00/35, 02/03, 02/06
Pro bono evening family law hearing officers and practice of law: 02/03
Representing indigent prisoners who have filed post-conviction relief motions: 06/03
Serving as family law mediator: 98/22
Serving on board of directors, charitable organization: 99/17
Subject to Code of Judicial Conduct: 95/08

Civic: (see also Charitable and Civic Organizations, Activities)

Mayor’s task force on mortgage fraud: 08/01
Mediator recommendation by judge: 08/01
Planning council fund-raising for university: 08/01
Serving as officer of alumni association of public university: 09/04
Solicitation for donations to reward probationers’ good behavior: 07/18

Civil Traffic Infraction Hearing Officer:

Campaigning for election as county judge: 11/09

Part-time civil traffic infraction hearing officer designated “of counsel” to firm that represents clients in traffic cases in same county where hearing officer presides: 18/06

Retired judge sitting as senior judge and civil traffic infraction hearing officer in same judicial circuit: 09/05
Serving as president of board of directors of legal aid organization: 14/13
Serving simultaneously as municipality’s local hearing officer: 13/15

**Close Corporation:**

Employee or interest holder: 16/17
Officer and director: 75/24, 86/11, 08/25

**Closing Law Practice:**

Changing status of professional association to another legal entity: 06/01

**Club:**

Kiwanis: 00/25
Membership, complimentary: 74/9, 78/17, 97/27
Nonpartisan political: 75/21
Restricting membership based on gender: 75/2
Rotary: 87/10, 01/09
Social organization: 89/21
Solicitation for donations to reward probationers’ good behavior: 07/18
Speech by judge at partisan meeting: 07/20
Tiger Bay Club: 92/28, 95/1

**Code:** (see Application of Code)

**Co-Executor:**

Of estate, not family: 75/19

**Co-Guardian:**

Of estate, not family: 75/19
Co-Host:

Party with attorney or businessman: 75/29

Commendation:

Giving “challenge coins” to jurors, court personnel, and others for contributions to court or community: 13/22

Commissioner: (see General Master/Magistrate)

Committee:

American Israel Public Affairs Committee: 01/13
Bicentennial of U.S. Constitution: 87/9
County commission on substance abuse: 99/07
County ombudsman: 76/25
Criminal justice advisory board: 87/20
Disclosure of members of judge’s campaign committee: 08/02
Disclosure that lawyer serves on judge’s campaign committee: 07/17
Evaluate anti-crime resources: 89/14
Executive committee, local bar association: 98/18
Florida Bar, Civil Procedure Rules Committee: 99/20
Florida Bar, committees, Executive Council of Trial Lawyers Section: 03/02
Florida Bar, Family Law Section: 84/13
Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency: 03/11
Fund-raising, chairperson for: 89/16
Human Rights Advocacy: 75/32, 76/21, 77/9
Interviewing applicants for admission to judge’s alma mater: 18/31
Judicial Election Campaign Advisory Committee, local bar, retired judge: 00/28
Local bar association committees: 98/18, 16/20

Mayor’s task force on mortgage fraud: 08/01

Mediator recommendation by judge: 08/01

Non-voting chair of county committee to consider establishment of Children’s Services Council: 18/19

On Standards of Judicial Conduct (predecessor of this committee): 77/15

Planning council fund-raising for university: 08/01

Promote adoption of black children: 89/18

Rename airport: 75/17

Service on hospital ethics committee: 03/07

Service on police sergeant promotion committee: 93/20

Synagogue committee that determines whether members qualify for reduction in membership dues: 09/12

Task force, implementing legislation privatizing children’s services: 99/12

To honor DCA judge: 04/04

Communication:

Chief judge of circuit responding in writing to clemency and parole objection requests, when no personal knowledge of case: 02/04

Ex parte communication: 99/19, 09-17, 11/16, 13/14

Ex parte proceeding: 92/10

Internet company providing family law information: 07/21

Legislation, public comments regarding consequences to judicial branch: 11/07

Letter to U.S. President regarding presidential appointment to board of directors of Legal Services Corporation: 93/32

Participation in email forum: 01/02

Response to criticism: 92/13
Speech by judge at partisan meeting: 07/20
To chief judges via website: 00/10
To Commission of Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies at request and on behalf of local sheriff’s department: 92/35

To electorate, proposed constitutional amendments, partisan and nonpartisan forums: 98/14
To Florida Bar in defense of attorney: 92/1
To Florida Bar or ABA on presidential candidate: 88/11, 88/12
To Florida Bar regarding attorney misconduct: 97/17, 98/21
To Florida Board of Bar Examiners regarding application of law clerk: 89/4
To governor re: nominee for judicial office: 87/23, 88/1
To judicial nominating commission: 82/8, 86/2, 87/23, 89/15
To jurors (post trial comments to or discussion with): 85/17, 89/13
To legislature on behalf of local Inn of Court: 09/08
To legislature on proposed statutory amendments: 98/13
To legislature on salary increases for judicial assistants: 88/22
To magistrate on point of law: 09/17
To media on criticism of judge’s conduct: 90/8
To newspaper on good work of social service organizations: 99/5
To parole and probation: 75/22, 77/17, 82/15, 84/14
To senators on presidential impeachment trial: 99/6
To state attorney’s office on crime noted in reviewing marriage license application: 97/18

**Community Service:**

Allowing juveniles to perform community service hours by participating in jogging program with judge: 10/37

Spouse manages organization: 87/7
Compensation:

- Accepting compensation from closely held corporation: 08/25
- Accepting fee earned prior to assuming bench: 94/7, 97/9, 06/31
- Accepting payment for expenses incurred while presiding over depositions conducted in foreign country: 06/22
- Advance payment from firm with which judge will practice on retirement: 77/18
- Amway Network Marketing: 95/4
- Appearing in televised public service announcements: 18/23
- As expert witness: 78/10
- Broadcast of criminal arraignments and contract with television network: 11/18
- Co-author of manual: 78/12
- Commissions from family-owned real estate business: 90/11
- Consultant: 90/14
- Cruise ship (free passage in exchange for lecture): 92/7
- Former firm: 82/7, 93/38, 00/34a
- Gift certificates in recognition of retirement: 94/12
- Gift from local bar association: 01/10
- Gifts: 91/9, 01/10
- Grader, Florida Board of Bar Examiners: 89/11
- Honorarium for participating in seminar: 07/09
- Honorarium for serving as panel moderator: 77/7
- Hotel and airfare for attending meeting where honored: 99/23
- Income: 75/1, 75/12
- Internet company providing family law information: 07/21
- Invention to improve criminal justice system: 84/3
Legal fee claim: 90/4
Legal fees from former professional association: 81/11, 89/1
Radio show: 91/5, 14/03
Real estate fee prior to assuming bench: 90/11
Recouping expenses for serving on panel: 07/09
Reimbursement of expenses for judge’s seminar on law regarding elections: 07/15
Rental income: 81/11
Reporting: 73/5, 75/1, 75/28, 91/7, 91/9
Sale of books by publisher: 83/7
Sale of law practice: 96/26
Solicitation for donations to reward probationers’ good behavior: 07/18
Speaker at seminar: 82/6, 84/5, 91/9
Teaching: 75/28, 76/21, 81/3, 97/26
Trustee, family estate: 95/7
Wedding ceremonies: 73/5, 76/3, 83/15, 87/1
Writing article: 73/8

Complimentary:

Airline passes: 88/17
Door prize: 85/7
Invitation to grand opening: 83/13
Invitations to bar association social functions and receptions: 00/14
Member, board of directors, program to rehabilitate felony offenders: 93/43
Membership in club: 74/9, 78/17
Office space: 90/25
Spouse, recipient of honorarium and expenses to attend conference: 89/9

Tickets to testimonial dinner: 77/20

**Condominium Association:**

- Participation on board of directors 84/1
- Spouse a director: 77/19

**Confidentiality:**

- Signing confidentiality agreement when serving in advisory role in nonprofit cultural organization: 17/18
- Use by judge of judge’s former law office in building which family members own and in which they continue to practice law: 13/13

**Conflict of Interest:** (see also Disqualification of Judges, Family, and Recusal)

- Appearance in family photograph to be used in spouse’s political campaign: 07/13
- Assistant state attorney serving as part-time traffic magistrate: 94/17
- Attending bar association functions sponsored by law firm: 00/20
- Attending bar association (plaintiffs, defense attorneys) social functions and receptions: 00/14
- Attending function by local theme park, free of charge: 97/2
- Attending local police department’s citizens police academy: 00/04
- Attending meet-and-greet functions for spouse’s nonpartisan candidacy for public office: 07/13
- Campaign fund-raising letter from judge’s parents: 08/09
- Cases involving crimes for which brother is currently being prosecuted: 97/21
- Cases involving public defender’s office, son-in-law is candidate for office of public defender: 00/11
- Continued directorship, mental health task force, following formation of corporation to seek private funding for court-connected mental health facility: 98/6
Disclosure that lawyer serves on judge’s campaign committee: 07/17

Duties as child support hearing officer and conducting family mediation: 98/22

Duties as child support hearing officer and practicing family law in another county: 98/12

Duties as judge of compensation claims and spouse representing parties in workers compensation cases in another district: 99/28

Duties as non-paid traffic magistrate and as salaried assistant county attorney: 92/14

Duties as part-time traffic magistrate and handling county traffic matters in another county: 97/23

Duties as retired judge mediating circuit cases and serving as county judge: 99/16

Duties as traffic magistrate and as assistant public defender representing defendants charged with DUI: 92/48

Duties as traffic magistrate and as unpaid, part-time special assistant state attorney: 95/23

Duties as traffic magistrate and membership in local chambers of commerce and realtor board: 92/15a

Expert witness is judge’s former fiancé who leases office space from judge’s partnership: 08/03

Facilitator for batterers intervention program: 98/30

First appearance duty, where spouse is elected public defender: 01/05

General master practicing law in same circuit: 96/12

General master representing state agency in adoption cases: 99/1

Ill-will between judge and assistant state attorney: 08/04

Internet company providing family law information: 07/21

Judge, beneficiary of land trust with former law partners: 07/02

Judge, former law clerk for attorney: 01/06

Judge’s adult child in law firm: 08/06

Judges’ family members employed by local sheriff’s department: 07/11

Judge’s former law partners are judge’s mortgagors: 91/26
Judicial assistant’s employment cleaning attorney’s offices: 06/32
Judicial campaign activities during regular courtroom hours: 97/34
Law clerk as arbitrator: 00/13
Law clerk’s spouse employed by Attorney General: 87/13
Law firm representing spouse’s law firm in malpractice claim: 01/17
Leasing office space to lawyers: 97/33, 07/10
Mayor’s task force on mortgage fraud: 08/01
Mediator recommendation by judge: 08/01
Member, advisory board for local law enforcement block grant: 97/24
Member, Advisory Committee for Florida Women’s Clemency Project: 94/32
Member, board of directors of mental health center and assignment to felony division: 93/40
Member, county fire board: 99/11
Member, domestic violence clemency panel: 96/16
Membership on domestic violence council with operators of for-profit batterers intervention programs: 01/14
Part-time child support hearing officer practicing in own court: 95/8
Pending litigation re: divorced judge’s children: 02/05
Planning council fund-raising for university: 08/01
Pro bono evening family law hearing officers with non-family law practices: 02/03
Providing items for county sheriff fund-raiser that are identifiable as made by judge: 07/04
Providing items for fund-raisers held by other community organizations that are identifiable as made by judge: 07/04
Receiving payments from former law firm under promissory note: 00/34a
Reviewing funding proposals as member of advisory committee established by county council: 92/12
Role as part-time traffic magistrate and as auxiliary state trooper: 92/37

Service as administrator in Florida Highway Patrol Auxiliary: 06/29

Service on Advisory Committee for Florida Battered Women’s Clemency Project: 94/31

Service on domestic violence task force: 94/33, 94/38, 95/14

Solicitation for donations to reward probationers’ good behavior: 07/18

Son, employed by law firm appearing before judge: 06/26

Son’s law firm represents party in family law case and parties have child appearing before judge in delinquency case: 06/27

Son-in-law employed as student law clerk: 07/16

Spokesperson for child safety campaign: 01/03

Spouse, case manager for family law division: 02/02

Spouse, elected public defender: 01/05

Spouse employed as paralegal in law firm with lawyers appearing before judge: 07/14

Spouse, managing attorney for dependency, HRS: 93/51

Spouse, owner of court reporting service: 01/08

Spouse, owner of domestic violence program in judge’s circuit: 98/30

Staff attorney serving as elected official: 00/33

State attorney, joint owner of fishing trailer: 01/11

Traffic magistrate renting office space from law firm handling traffic cases: 07/01

Traffic magistrate working as independent contractor with law firm that handles traffic cases: 07/01

Voting on requests for funding as member of children’s services council: 92/11

**Constitutional Revision:**

Commission, amicus brief: 76/26

Expression of views regarding proposed amendments: 78/3, 98/14
Member, bar association advocating constitutional amendment: 98/31

Speaking to civic and community groups about Constitutional Revision Commission: 17/15

Consultant, Paid:

Internet company providing family law information: 07/21

Judge as: 90/14

Consultation:

Assistant state attorney, assistance in writing crime novel: 98/1

Letter to U.S. President regarding presidential appointment to board of directors of Legal Services Corporation: 93/32

With other judges on specific legal issues: 87/19

Contributions:

Acceptance, family loans: 06/24 (Election)

Acceptance for public school education project: 94/30

Acceptance from professional association/law firm: 80/9

Acceptance, merit retention qualifying fee: 78/11

Accepting campaign contributions: 12/01 (Election), 17/26 (Election), 18/28 (Election)

Campaign fund, established while candidate for both election and appointment: 00/19

Campaign fund, from partnership funds to politicians: 90/26

Campaign fund, “thank you’s”: 77/22, 92/2

Campaign fund, unsolicited from attorneys: 82/10

Campaign fund-raising letter from judge’s parents: 08/09

Defense fund (solicited): 75/9

Defense fund (unsolicited): 77/8, 85/12, 98/11
From political committee in which paid campaign consultant is officer: 18/28 (Election)

Fund-raising in concession stand at child’s school: 00/17

In support of judge, merit retention: 90/3

Judge’s contribution to judicial assistant’s student government campaign: 08/07

Kick off charitable organization’s fund-raising: 00/31

Lawyers sponsor in reception for judges up for election: 93/62

Nonpartisan political activity: 88/23, 13/20

Public broadcasting station, which will thank judge by name on air: 10/28

Public service announcement for local non-profit organization: 00/15

Require defendant to make: 84/11, 87/6, 89/10

Solicitation by judge for campaign support or contribution on personal website prohibited: 08/11, 11/01

Solicitation by judge for historical commission: 81/4

Solicitation by judge for homeless shelter: 98/16

Solicitation for donations to reward probationers’ good behavior: 07/18

Soliciting incentive gifts from lawyers or law firms for use as rewards to drug court program defendants/participants: 07/05

To non-profit organization promoting merit retention: 99/24

To son’s campaign, by non-recall retired judge: 00/15

Traffic magistrate making political contributions: 94/8, 02/10 (Elections), 03/09

Website with link permitting direct contributions to campaign: 14/04

Cooperative Association:

Interest in: 76/14

Corporation:

Director of: 87/12
Internet company providing family law information: 07/21
Judge sole surviving director: 86/4
Judge’s participation in: 88/4
Legal advisor: 95/27
Officer, for-profit: 97/35
President, non-profit: 89/12
Providing mediation services: 88/4
Shareholder, husband partner with convicted felon: 94/36
Solicitation for donations to reward probationers’ good behavior: 07/18

**Council on Aging:**

Financial officer: 75/27

**Counsel:** (see Attorney)

**County:**

Judge serving on statutorily-created county development authority which determines whether to fund grant requests from industry seeking to start or relocate in that county and from local governments seeking to upgrade infrastructure: 14/20

Reimbursement of expenses for judge’s seminar on law regarding elections: 07/15

Sale of former law office building to: 86/1

**Court:**

Brochure on system: 73/18

Court file: 99/19

Decorum, control by judge: 83/12

Disclosure of members of judge’s campaign committee: 08/02

Electronic recording of court proceedings: 74/1
Expert witness is judge’s former fiancé who leases office space from his partnership: 08/03

Gifts to court employees: 00/08

Judge’s adult child in law firm: 08/06

Judicial assistants: 91/23; 18/06

Newspaper column on system: 99/14

Traffic hearing officer running for county judge: 08/08, 11/09

Court Administrator:

Fund-raising for public school education project: 94/30

Reimbursement of expenses for judge’s seminar on law regarding elections: 07/15

Court Staff:

Attending training session sponsored by Salvation Army and the Florida Coalition Against Domestic Violence: 12/31

Judicial assistant continuing employment after marrying judge’s child: 15/09

Judicial assistant engaged in fund-raising for educational conferences: 95/12

Criticism:

Response: 80/14, 85/9, 90/8

Dating:

Disclosure of date with attorney appearing before judge: 99/2

Disclosure of judge’s relationship with non-attorney at state attorney’s office: 97/10

Daughter: (see Family)

Decorum:

Judge’s ability to control: 83/12
Judicial assistants: 95/12

Defense Fund:

Contributions to: 75/9, 77/8, 85/12, 98/11

Director or Board of Directors, Canon 5: (see also Memberships)

Abilities Rehabilitation Center, Inc.: 77/13
Advisory board for professional reference publication: 01/07
Alcohol and drug councils: 73/4, 79/13, 85/10, 88/24, 88/30, 95/36, 95/39
Alumni association, law school: 73/2
American Red Cross: 74/16
Attorneys support organization: 96/2
Bank: 73/12, 73/13, 75/15, 77/3, 95/31
Bar association: 79/15, 79/16
B’nai B’rith: 85/4, 85/11
Board of charitable foundation whose principal source of funds is owner of for-profit rehabilitation program to which inquiring judge and other judges routinely direct parties: 10/38
Board of directors of charitable organization: 99/17, 10/38
Board of directors of neighborhood family community center funded almost exclusively by government grant: 17/19
Board of directors of non-profit organization designed to inspire excellence in leadership: 04/26
Board of directors of non-profit organization serving needs of anonymous needy children: 13/06
Board of directors of non-profit organization serving needs of blind persons: 04/26
Board of trustees for branch campus for state university: 07/08
Brevard County Mental Health Center, Inc.: 74/16
Character Counts: 96/4, 98/2

Children’s services council: 97/20

Civic organization’s ways and means committee (chairperson): 89/16

Close corporate family business: 75/24

College: 80/1

Collins Center for Public Policy: 00/09

Community college foundation: 77/6

Condominium association: 81/7, 81/10, 84/1

Condominium association, spouse: 77/19

Co-owner of corporation: 74/8

Corporation to provide assistance to first-time cocaine users: 87/12

Country day school: 78/5

County alcohol and drug council: 73/4

County commission on substance abuse: 99/07

County mental health center: 77/16

Dissolved corporation: 86/4

District Court of Appeal Historical Society, encouraging others to participate in fundraiser for bar association pro bono project as member of: 15/05

DUI (DWI) Countermeasures Program School: 86/8, 93/23, 97/31

Editorial board: 90/5

Education firm: 76/18

Execution of resolution and deed: 86/4

Family corporation: 75/20, 77/1, 83/6, 86/11

Family service bureau: 76/21

Family visitation facility (supervised): 97/11
Federal credit union: 95/45
Federal savings and loan association: 78/8
Florida Heart Association: 74/14
Florida Keys Mental Health Board: 73/6
Florida Legal Services (law clerk): 01/12
Florida State Mental Health Board: 75/2
Florida Worker's Compensation Insurance Guaranty Association: 04/08
Forum Club: 82/3
Funded by Executive Branch agency: 12/16
General master serving on board: 95/39
Guidance clinic: 73/1, 74/12, 74/16, 75/5
Haven, Inc., The: 86/13
High school: 79/18, 90/21
High school foundation: 90/21
Historical commission: 81/4
Holocaust Resource and Education Center: 82/16
Home health agency: 75/31
Honorary or advisory member of board: 75/15
Hospital: 80/1, 83/9
Human trafficking issues, serving as chair of board of advocacy organization relating to: 14/25
Kiwanis Club: 00/25
Law, Inc.: 75/23
Legal aid society: 74/17, 86/16, 97/6, 00/25, 01/12
Legislative committee for lobbying organization: 97/19
Leukemia and Lymphoma Society board: 14/15
Mayor's charter revision committee: 82/11
Member, board of directors, rehabilitation program for felony offenders: 93/43
Member, The Florida Bar Board of Governors: 04/34
Mental health board: 73/6, 75/2
Mental health center: 74/16, 93/40
Mental health clinic: 75/5
Mental health task force: 98/6
Mission Sandbox: 99/17
Mothers Against Drunk Drivers: 82/18
Non-profit corporation: 82/1, 95/34, 99/20
Non-profit foundation that engages in fund-raising: 14/15
Non-profit health agency corporation: 75/31
Non-profit organization that owns and operates charter school and combats illiteracy in community: 16/01
Not-for-profit corporation: 00/09
Organization for pretrial diversion for juveniles: 10/07
Organization of individual home providers of day care for preschoolers: 93/43
Organization providing prepaid legal service plans: 99/20
Parochial school: 92/6
President of non-profit organization promoting women in positions of leadership: 04/26
Progress 90: 85/5
Public policy institute: 03/17
Real estate corporation: 73/13
Rotary Club: 87/10, 01/09
Salvation Army: 80/2
Shelter for abused young children: 86/13
Townhouse or village association: 81/7
University law alumni association, director of: 73/2
Yacht club commodore: 79/14
YMCA: 95/28

Disclaimer:

Advertising including photos of judge candidate with jurors and unsolicited letters from jurors complimenting judge: 08/11

Judge’s campaign website referring to and facilitating the giving of campaign contributions: 08/11

Materials depicting judge wearing robe: 08/11

Disclosure: (see also Reporting)

Acceptance of free golf membership from very close family friend: 03/10
Acceptance of out of state trip with attorney eight to nine years ago: 09/01
Air passes: 88/17
Appointment of friend/accountant as receiver: 93/53
Appointment of psychologist to who judge was previously engaged: 03/14
Assistance from state attorney in writing novel: 98/1
Assistant public defender announces his intent to run against judge, rule of necessity: 93/47
Attorney co-author: 93/52
Attorney contributed to judge’s election campaign: 92/44
Attorney dated judge: 99/2
Attorney is spouse of attorney representing judge: 11/17
Attorney paid for reception following investiture: 99/3

Attorney previously represented judge: 86/9, 93/17, 95/15, 95/16

Attorney referred case to judge’s spouse who may or will share fee with attorney: 17/03

Attorney’s child is judge’s godchild: 93/21

Attorney spouse of judge of compensation claims represents Bureau of State Liability Claims in non-workers compensation matters: 05/01

Attorney spouse represents judge in unrelated civil matter: 11/17

Attorneys represented opposing party in prior personal lawsuit against judge: 97/12

Attorney was campaign worker: 93/16, 03/22

Bank stock: **10/25 recedes from 89/5, 90/9, 93/25, 96/13**

Beneficial interest in land trust: 89/2

Business trip with spouse: 89/9

Child, assistant public defender assigned to different judicial division: 18/26

Child works in state attorney’s office: 12/02

Close, personal friendship with lawyer who does not personally practice before judge but whose associate does: 04/35

Disclosure of members of judge’s campaign committee: 08/02, 14/09

Disclosure that lawyer serves on judge’s campaign committee: 07/17

Expert witness is judge’s former fiancé who leases office space from his partnership: 08/03

Family member brought *Engle* Progeny suit against tobacco company in same judicial circuit: 16/04

First appearance hearings, when spouse is elected public defender: 01/05

Flight instructor of: 93/57

Former client using assumed name: 95/29

Former judicial assistant now secretary in local law firm: 96/1

Former law partner of judge’s former spouse, who rents space from and shares
receptionist with judge’s former spouse, appears before judge: 15/01
Gift from local bar association: 01/10
Gifts jointly received by judge and spouse, previously disclosed by spouse: 97/36
Internet company providing family law information: 07/21
Judge and attorney are owners of condominium and attorney is godfather to judge’s child: 93/27
Judge appointing psychologist to whom judge was previously engaged: 03/14
Judge former law clerk to attorney: 01/06
Judges’ family members employed by local sheriff’s department: 07/11
Judge’s family member employed by local State Attorney’s Office: 12/02
Judicial assistant’s employment: 06/32
Landlord/tenant relationship with attorney: 97/33
Landlord/tenant relationship with party: 14/17
Law firm employed judge’s brother as expert witness: 03/18
Law firm employing judge’s niece: 03/18
Law firm employs attorney who dated judge: 99/2
Law firm representing spouse’s law firm in malpractice claim: 01/17
Law firm’s prior representation of judge in real estate sale and purchase: 93/19
Litigation against state: 95/18
Nonpublic information about party that is unrelated to judicial duties: 15/03
Of spouse’s business relationship with attorney: 05/06
Ownership of stock: 10/25 recedes from 89/5, 90/9, 93/25, 96/13
Pending litigation regarding divorcing judge’s children: 02/05
Presiding over criminal cases involving public defender’s office after spouse/elected public defender has retired when spouse may have been privy to privileged communications: 08/18
Previous voluntary standing recusal order: 09/01
Prior attorney-client relationship: 05/05
Represented adverse party of attorney/litigant: 12/08
Restraining orders in domestic violence cases: 95/9
Social relationship with: 93/56
Social relationship with and gifts from attorney: 89/3, 89/8
Son-in-law, candidate for office of public defender: 00/11
Son-in-law employed as student law clerk: 07/16
Spouse employed as paralegal in law firm with lawyers appearing before judge: 07/14
Spouse, employed as temporary secretary for several local law firms: 97/8
Spouse, employee of Department of Environmental Protection: 94/3
Spouse is bank officer: 93/15
Spouse, owner of court reporting service: 01/08
Spouse, police department’s part-time employee: 00/17
Spouse represents party in unrelated matter: 99/28
Spouse, retired public defender: 08/18
Spouse, secretary for local law enforcement agency: 93/41
Spouse, sheriff’s office legal counsel: 12/33
Stock ownership: 10/25 recedes from 89/5, 90/9, 93/25, 96/13
Tenants/defendants in residential foreclosure proceeding: 12/09
To parties in all cases in which attorney appears that judge reported attorney to The Florida Bar: 05/16
To parties in all cases which involve attorney or attorney’s law firm that judge has reported to appropriate authorities alleged misconduct of law firm’s notary public: 05/16
To parties in case that judge reported attorney in case to The Florida Bar: 05/16
To parties in case that judge reported notary public for alleged misconduct in case: 05/16
To parties in case that judge reported to state attorney that party may have committed perjury: 05/16

To parties involving attorney or attorney’s law firm that judge reported to state attorney alleged criminal activity of law firm’s client: 05/16

Traffic hearing officer had referred cases to attorneys appearing before him or her: 17/01

Disqualification of Judge, Canon 3E (formerly 3C): (see also Recusal)

Acceptance of out of state trip with attorney eight to nine years ago: 09/01

Assistant public defender announces intent to run against judge in next election: 93/47

Attorney appearing before judge: 02/19

Attorney dated judge: 99/2

Attorney doing business with spouse: 90/13; 17/03

Attorney is member of judge’s committee of responsible persons: 14/09

Attorney is member of judicial nominating commission: 97/14

Attorney is spouse of attorney representing judge: 11/17

Attorney is tenant: 97/33, 07/10

Attorney previously represented judge: 93/17

Attorney receiving referrals from former firm: 91/8

Attorney represented opposing party in prior personal lawsuit against judge: 97/12

Attorney shares interest in land trust: 89/2

Attorney was campaign worker: 93/16, 03/22

Attorneys are adverse witnesses to judge in complaint before JQC: 91/12

Attorney’s child is judge’s godchild: 93/21

Attorney’s spouse represents judge in unrelated civil matter: 11/17

Brother is assistant state attorney: 77/12

Brother is attorney with public defender’s office: 77/4
Brother-in-law’s law firm partner or associate appearing before judge: 17/20
Cases involving crimes for which brother is currently being prosecuted: 97/21
Central staff attorney working on cases in which attorney’s spouse is involved: 05/17
Chief assistant state attorney is opponent: 94/28
Child, associate in firm: 85/2, 98/20
Child, employed as attorney in public defender’s office: 76/12
Child, employed as legal advisor to sheriff, and as deputy: 96/15
Child works in state attorney’s office: 12/02
Complaint filed with JQC: 95/20
County is party and judge is in building partnership with county attorney: 10/02
Cousin’s wife or daughter appearing before judge: 17/20
Defeated political opponent as attorney: 84/23
Disclosure that lawyer serves on judge’s campaign committee: 07/17
Expert witness is judge’s former fiancé who leases office space from his partnership: 08/03
Family and judge formerly represented by attorneys: 86/9
Family member as assistant public defender: 12/32; 18/13
Family members as mediators: 88/10, 89/21
Firm employed judge’s brother as expert witness: 03/18
Firm employing judge’s cousins: 04/06
Firm employing judge’s niece: 03/18
Firm employing judge’s son while undergraduate: 76/13
Firm employing judge’s wife: 81/1
Firm paid for reception following investiture: 99/3
Firm represents spouse’s law firm: 01/17
Firm represents wife or wife’s non-profit corporation: 76/23, 99/25
Firm retained by Division of Risk Management for judge: 88/21
Firm retained by judge in private litigation: 79/2
Firm to whom judge made referral before taking bench: 15/10
First cousin practicing before judge: 97/13
Former client appearing before judge: 95/29, 05/05, 17/17
Former judicial assistant now secretary in local firm: 96/1
Former law firm continuing payments to judge via promissory note: 00/34
Former law firm’s cases: 00/34a recedes from 74/4, 04/06
Former law partner of judge’s former spouse, who rents space from and shares receptionist with judge’s former spouse, appears before judge: 15/01
Future firm, advance payment to judge: 77/18
Ill-will between judge and assistant state attorney: 08/04
Interest in bank: 89/5, 90/10
Judge and attorney are owners of condominium and attorney is godfather to judge’s child: 93/27
Judge, beneficiary of land trust with former law partners: 07/02
Judge, former assistant public defender, hearing certain cases involving violation of community control in juvenile court: 92/36
Judge, former law clerk to attorney: 01/06
Judge is divorced, litigation pending regarding children: 02/05
Judge is limited partner in partnership that owns unimproved real estate and other limited partners are attorneys: 93/48
Judge named as defendant in federal lawsuit: 92/39
Judge, political opponent’s law partner and campaign treasurer: 11/08
Judge receives benefits from law firm: 89/8, 00/34a,
Judge riding with law enforcement as observer: 91/31
Judge’s adult child in law firm: 08/06
Judges’ family members employed by local sheriff’s department: 07/11
Judge’s former law partners and co-beneficiaries of land trust appear as counsel: 07/02
Landlord/tenant relationship with party: 14/17
Law firm employs attorney who dated judge: 99/2
Law firm presently represents judge or spouse: 99/13, 99/25
Law firm’s prior representation of judge in real estate sale and purchase: 93/19
Lawyer is campaign treasurer for judicial election opponent: 11/08
Niece’s husband is attorney: 89/17
Ownership interest in properties leased to bank/party: 14/17
Ownership of stocks and bonds by pension fund and individual retirement account: 10/25 recedes from 93/25
Participation in former law firm’s retirement plan: 18/11
Party represented by judge’s former campaign opponent or opponent’s law partners: 19/03
Personal animosity between judge and litigant: 84/6
Presiding over criminal cases involving public defender’s office after spouse/elected public defender has retired when spouse may have been privy to privileged communications: 08/18
Presiding over criminal cases involving public defender’s office after spouse/elected public defender may be called to testify in post-conviction hearings: 08/18
Presiding over criminal cases involving public defender’s office after spouse/elected public defender’s retirement: 08/18
Previous voluntary standing recusal order: 09/01
Prior attorney-client relationship: 95/29, 05/05, 17/17
Published conclusions on constitutionality of legislation: 00/02
Referral; firm to whom judge made before taking bench: 15/10
Represented adverse party of attorney/litigant: 12/08
Relationship not within third degree (nephew’s father-in-law and brother-in-law): 88/20
Restraining order in domestic violence cases: 95/9
Service on advisory committee for Florida Battered Women’s Clemency Project: 94/32
Sibling’s law firm: 92/17
Social relationship with attorney: 89/3, 89/8
Son, employed by law firm appearing before judge: 06/26
Son-in-law, employed as student law clerk: 07/16
Son-in-law is candidate for office of public defender: 00/11
Son’s law firm represents party in family law case and parties have child appearing before judge in delinquency case: 06/27
Spouse, attorney for Legal Aid: 97/25
Spouse, child victim specialist in state attorney’s office: 03/08
Spouse, court reporter: 93/10
Spouse, district program administrator, HRS: 90/23
Spouse, elected public defender: 01/05
Spouse employed as assistant public defender: 91/17
Spouse employed as licensed stock broker: 90/13
Spouse employed as paralegal in law firm with lawyers appearing before judge: 07/14
Spouse employed as secretary for local law enforcement agency: 93/41
Spouse employed as temporary secretary for several local law firms: 97/8
Spouse has business relationship with attorney: 05/06, 17/03
Spouse is supervisor of state attorney’s office: 11/21 recedes from 77/12 and 77/4
Spouse, member of electric cooperative: 76/14
Spouse represents party in unrelated matter: 99/28
Spouse, retired public defender: 08/18
Stepson as attorney: 91/1
Stepson-in-law, member of firm: 85/6
Traffic hearing officer had referred cases to attorneys appearing before him or her: 17/01
Traffic magistrate renting office space from law firm handling traffic cases: 07/01
Traffic magistrate working as independent contractor with law firm that handles traffic cases: 07/01
Traffic magistrate’s spouse is deputy sheriff: 93/18
Waiver form: 77/12

**Domestic Violence:**

Attendance, lunch sponsored by local domestic abuse council: 95/40
Attending and answering questions at meetings of domestic violence council: 01/14
Attending fund-raiser for awareness-raising non-profit organization: 13/18
Disclosure to party’s employer of nonpublic information that judge acquired in domestic violence injunction case: 15/03
Facilitator, batterers groups in spouse’s domestic violence program: 98/30
Fellow domestic violence council members operating for-profit batterers intervention program: 01/14
Letter urging grant funding for victims’ advocates: 02/09
Member, domestic violence clemency panel: 96/16
Member, domestic violence council which becomes victims’ advocacy group: 01/14
Member, domestic violence education committee: 09/11
Member, non-profit organization providing services to battered women and counseling to defendants: 91/22
Member, victims’ rights organization: 98/8, 01/14
Public service announcement explaining issues and process in domestic violence division: 18/23
Recognition at reception for domestic violence center: 16/16
Referral to domestic violence program owned by county judge and his spouse: 98/29
Spouse, owns and/or operates domestic violence program: 98/29, 98/30
Task force: 94/33, 94/38, 95/14
Teaching at one-day training session for judges, magistrates, and court staff: 15/04
Website, including link for assistance for domestic violence victims: 11/01

Donations by Judges:

- DUI (DWI) Countermeasures Program School, service on board of directors: 86/8
- High school football program: 77/16
- Judge’s contribution to judicial assistant’s student government campaign: 08/07
- Nonpartisan rally: 88/23
- Solicitation for donations to reward probationers’ good behavior: 07/18
- To college: 91/16
- To homeless shelter, solicited by chief judge: 98/16
- To legal aid organization whose attorneys appear before judge: 14/26
- To political organization: 84/20

Dual Employment:

- Judge may not work for for-profit business on commission basis securing investors: 16/12
- Civil traffic hearing officer serving simultaneously as municipality’s local hearing officer: 13/15
- Senior judge working part-time for insurance adjusting company: 16/22

Electronic Recording of Court Proceedings:

- Whether judge may allow attorneys and reporters to tape proceedings: 74/1 (former Canon 3A(7), now in Rules of Judicial Administration)
**Endorsement:**

Accepting endorsement of partisan elected official: 12/18 (Election), 12/21 (Election), 16/09

Accepting and/or advertising endorsement of former judicial candidate: 18/24 (Election)

Appearance in family photograph to be used in spouse’s political campaign: 07/13

Appearance in promotional sales video: 97/29

Appearing in documentary film which will be used as marketing tool: 06/14

Applicant for position of clerk of circuit court: 91/29

Attending meet-and-greet functions for spouse’s nonpartisan candidacy for public office: 07/13

Campaign fund-raising letter from judge’s parents: 08/09

Candidate for ABA president: 88/12

Candidate for appointed office: 87/23; see also 82/8, 86/2, 88/1

Candidate for judicial office: 82/8, 91/4

Candidate for public office: 91/29, 12/18 (Election)

Candidate for The Florida Bar Board of Governors: 00/01

Candidate for The Florida Bar presidency: 88/11

Candidates traveling together: 11/20 (Election)

Cards, displayed: 90/15

Corporation providing mediation services, recommend: 88/4

Disclosure of members of judge’s campaign committee: 08/02

Displaying signs endorsing partisan political candidate: 06/11

Endorsing judicial candidates by mailing brochures of three judicial candidates in one envelope: 04/29 (Election)

Incumbent judge endorsing judicial candidate: 04/30 (Election)

Judge up for retention: 90/3
Law-related curriculum project developed by newspaper: 97/16

Membership in voluntary bar association endorsing judicial candidates: 01/15

Participating in panel discussion on problem of underage drinking for MADD: 06/17

Proclamation for discovery cooperation: 09/19

Receiving and publishing endorsement for election from senior assistant county attorney and municipal code enforcement special master/magistrate: 08/12

Receiving and publishing endorsement for election from state attorney, sheriff, or police chief and indicating individual’s title: 14/11

Spouse, elected official, appearing in judge’s campaign photo: 06/13 (Election)

Spokesperson for DHSMV child safety campaign: 01/03

Traffic hearing officer endorsing judicial candidate: 02/10 (Elections), 03/09

Travel with other judicial candidate, frequency: 11/20

Use of endorsement from elected partisan official: 06/21 (Election), 06/24 (Election)

Use of endorsement of partisan candidate unsuccessful in recent primary: 06/24 (Election)

Use of endorsement of retired judge: 06/24 (Election)

Use of photo of judge candidate being sworn in by now-deceased former judge: 14/10

**Entertaining:**

Appearance in family photograph to be used in spouse’s political campaign: 07/13

Attending meet-and-greet functions for spouse’s nonpartisan candidacy for public office: 07/13

With attorney: 75/29

With attorneys at law firm’s litigation training retreat: 03/03

**Estate:** (see also Family and Trustee)

As executor: 74/10, 75/16, 75/19, 79/9, 81/5, 95/7, 17/13

Auction, bid: 88/27
Purchase of house from estate in probate before judge: 76/5

Receiving fee as trustee of father’s (family) estate: 90/11, 95/7

Trustee of named property in will: 00/01

**Ex Parte Communication:**

Speaking about trial the result of which is being appealed: 11/16

Twitter account with open privacy setting: 13/14

**Exhibition Basketball:**

Game with Miami Dolphins: 88/5

**Expert Witness:**

Fee: 78/10

Judge-elect previously retained by party as expert witness: 04/37, 12/27

Senior judge serving as expert witness: 05/10

Voluntary appearance of judge in foreign court: **99/4 recedes from 90/2**

**Exploiting Judicial Position:**

Advertisements by publishing company promoting sale of legal manual written by judge: 76/17

Appearance in family photograph to be used in spouse’s political campaign: 07/13

Attending meet-and-greet functions for spouse’s nonpartisan candidacy for public office: 07/13

Retired judge running for circuit judgeship: 08/10

Solicitation for donations to reward probationers’ good behavior: 07/18

**Expression of Views:** (see also Communication)

Bond validation issue on ballot: 78/14
Constitutionality of new legislation: 00/02

Criticism of legal system: 81/12

In general: 00/34a recedes from 78/16, 02/13 (Elections)

Internet company providing family law information: 07/21

Letter of commendation to newspaper regarding social service organizations: 99/5

Participating in panel discussion on problem of underage drinking for MADD: 06/17

Presidential impeachment trial: 99/6

Proposed constitutional amendments: 78/3, 98/14, 11/07

Related to case: 85/9, 98/7, 98/28, 00/30

Response to criticism: 80/14, 85/9, 90/8

Signing and circulating petition to have victims in unresolved case honored on postage stamp: 98/7

Signing task force resolution: 99/12

Single member districts: 90/10

Speech by judge at partisan meeting: 07/20

To legislature, regarding statutory amendments: 98/13

**Extrajudicial Activity, Canon 5**: (see also Teaching)

Activities proscribed when judge serves in leadership capacity of community-based non-profit organization: 04/32

Advocacy by non-profit organization, senior judge as board member: 11/19

American Israel Public Affairs Committee: 01/13

Amway Network Marketing: 95/4

Appearance before county commission to appeal for funds allocated by advisory committee: 93/39

Appearance in college advertising campaign to promote higher education: 97/28

Appearing in fund-raising ballet production sponsored by ballet company which is
charitable organization and allowing production to use judge’s name and title to advertise event: 08/22

Attendance, citizens’ police academy: 00/04

Attending and answering questions at domestic violence council meetings: 01/14

Attending bar association golf tournament fund-raiser for Guardian Ad Litem Foundation: 16/20

Attending bar association luncheon sponsored by law firm: 00/20

Attending bar association social functions: 00/14

Attending guardian ad litem program’s annual holiday party: 06/06

Attending luncheons and membership in lobbying group: 01/13

Author, crime novel: 98/1

Author, legal article: 00/02

Author, newspaper column: 77/21, 95/37, 99/14

Awarding professionalism awards to attorneys: 99/18

Board member, hospice: 06/28

Board of directors of non-profit organization designed to inspire excellence in leadership: 4/26

Board of directors of non-profit organization serving needs of blind persons: 04/26

Board of professional publication on criminal justice and mentally ill persons: 01/07

Board of trustees for branch campus of state university: 07/08

Broadcast of criminal arraignments and contract with television network: 11/18

Chairman, Family Law Section: 90/13

Charity fashion show: 98/32

Charity fund-raiser luncheon, member of wait staff: 11/14

Charity tea and auction: 00/31

Church law course, religious university: 97/26
College football referee: 13/07

Committee: 76/25, 87/9, 97/19

Committee interviewing and recommending high school seniors for admission to national military academies: 93/42

Cook-off competition that is not fund-raiser: 13/17

Editorial board of legal publication: 90/5, 01/07

Elections task force: 13/03

Facilitator, batterers intervention program: 98/30

Fund-raising in concession stand at child’s school: 00/17

Fund-raiser at judge’s home: 01/09

Grade bar exams: 89/11

Hole sponsor at YLS hosted charity golf tournament: 11/15 recedes from 10/23 and 10/30

Human trafficking issues, serving as chair of board of advocacy organization relating to: 14/25

Income: 73/8, 75/1

Income from former law firm: 00/34, 00/34a

Internet company providing family law information: 07/21

Judicial campaign activities, regular court hours: 97/34

Legal seminar, speaker: 87/3

Letter soliciting membership or contributions to legal aid: 00/06

Local bar committee: 00/28

Mayor’s task force on mortgage fraud: 08/01

Mediation/arbitration team: 88/4

Mediator recommendation by judge: 08/01

Member, The Florida Bar Board of Governors: 04/34
Member, victims’ rights organization: 98/8

Membership on domestic violence council with operators of for-profit batterer’s intervention program: 01/14

Membership on military academy selection committee: 06/04

Officer, for-profit corporation: 97/35

Officer in community-based non-profit organization: 03/01

Panel moderator: 77/7

Participating in email forum: 01/02

Planning council fund-raising for university: 08/01

Political action committee: 02/14, 13/20

President of non-profit organization promoting women in positions of leadership: 04/26

Private mediation: 02/01

Public appeal for foster parents: 14/23

Public school system, organization assisting, promoting, supporting: 11/05

Public service announcement: 13/10

Purchasing advertisement that congratulates award recipient when advertisement would appear in program materials distributed at fund-raising luncheon for Anti-Defamation League and advertisement would include judge’s name: 08/23

Real estate license: 90/11

Retired judge advertising mediation services: 07/12

School Advisory Council for public school, serving on: 16/11

Sending letter to promote participation in non-profit: 99/22

Service as administrator in Florida Highway Patrol Auxiliary: 06/29

Service as officer of Kiwanis and legal aid society: 00/25

Service on advisory board for affordable housing: 06/23

Service on advisory board for local law enforcement block grant: 97/24
Service on Advisory Council of Women’s Development Center: 93/66
Service on board of county’s Public Policy Institute: 06/23
Service on board of organization providing prepaid legal service plans: 99/20
Service on county commission on substance abuse: 99/07
Service on county fire board: 99/11
Service on county’s children’s advisory board: 93/46
Service on county’s criminal justice commission and statutory children’s services council: 97/20
Service on governing board of local United Way organization: 98/2
Service on hospital ethics committee: 03/07
Service on mayor’s victims’ assistance advisory council: 98/26
Service on municipality’s children’s commission: 01/16
Service on police sergeant promotion committee: 93/20
Serving as board member of local community children’s alliance: 05/09
Serving as celebrity waiter/server at breakfast for local community children’s alliance: 05/09
Serving as guest speaker at dinner honoring law enforcement and other public safety officers: 05/02
Serving as wait staff for charitable organization’s fund-raiser: 11/14
Serving in leadership capacity of community-based non-profit organization and publishing letter inviting leaders to address issues raised in organization’s study of race relations: 04/32
Serving on board or as presenter at symposium of child advocacy center: 05/09
Serving on committee concerning family violence and its reduction: 05/09
Serving on committees or organizations chaired by elected officials, possibly in their election year: 05/09
Serving on executive committee of non-profit, charitable organization: 08/20
Serving on executive committee of non-profit museum: 08/20
Serving on local county ethics commission for purpose of establishing code of ethics for county commission: 09/06

Serving on panel at continuing legal education (CLE) seminar sponsored by private organization: 07/09

Signing task force resolution: 99/12

Soliciting directly from public on behalf of non-profit organization when identity of judge is unknown and/or disguised: 04/36

Soliciting donations as member of Florida Supreme Court standing committee: 12/04

Soliciting funds for defraying cost of hosting annual conference of National Consortium on Racial and Ethnic Fairness in the Courts: 18/25

Soliciting “incentive gifts” from lawyers or law firms for use as rewards to drug court program defendants/participants: 07/05

Speaking at college alumni banquet: 99/15

Speaking at plaintiffs and/or defense bar association functions on law-related or trial law-related subjects: 00/14

Speaking at the estate planning council: 93/54

Speaking to community groups regarding dangers of online predators: 06/30

Speaking to partisan political group: 97/30

Speech by judge at partisan meeting: 07/20

Spokesperson, with promotional photos, for DHSMV child safety program: 01/03

Taping public service announcement for not-for-profit organization: 00/15

Twitter account with open privacy setting: 13/14

Volunteer, county domestic violence task team: 06/28

Volunteer member and officer of board of directors of non-profit rural health clinic: 06/28

Volunteer on county sheriff’s sexual assault response team: 06/28

Volunteering on sheriff department’s mounted unit in county within judge’s circuit: 06/28

Website designed to focus high school students on preparation for higher education:
11/01

Writing letters of support for different organizations: 05/09

Family:

Advising spouse’s cousin who is personal representative of spouse’s aunt’s estate: 04/15

Appearance in family photograph to be used in spouse’s political campaign: 07/13, 16/07, 17/16 (Election)

As executor: 79/9

As trustee: 90/11, 95/11

Attending meet-and-greet functions for spouse’s nonpartisan candidacy for public office: 07/13

Awareness of family activities: 90/13

Brother, assistant public defender: 77/4

Brother, assistant state attorney: 77/12

Brother, defendant in criminal case, presiding over cases involving same crime during pendency of prosecution: 97/21

Brother-in-law is partner in law firm from which another attorney appears before judge: 17/20

Business: 75/20, 75/24, 76/1, 77/1

Campaign fund-raising letter from judge’s parents: 08/09

Child, assistant public defender assigned to different judicial division: 18/26

Child, attorney of record: 98/20

Child, employment with law firm appearing before judge: 82/17, 85/2, 98/20

Child, employment with law firm part-time in non-discretionary capacity: 76/13

Child owns bank stock: 10/25 recedes from 90/9

Child, participation in proceeding: 76/12

Child, public defender; father, appellate judge: 76/12
Child, sale of assets and rental of space to law practice: 91/1
Child works in state attorney’s office: 12/02
Child’s employment: 80/5, 80/6
Children of divorced judge, pending litigation concerning: 02/05
Cousin of judge as mediator in case before judge: 17/20
Cousin’s wife or daughter appears before judge: 17/20
Definition of family: 03/12
Family member brought Engle Progeny suit against tobacco company in same judicial circuit: 16/04
Family member, shareholder in corporation: 87/2
Father, mediator: 88/21
First cousin, appearing as attorney before judge: 97/13
Fund-raising for judge’s sick child: 95/38
In-law, as candidate for bar: 91/5
In-law, continued employment as judicial assistant after marrying judge’s child: 15/09
In-laws, as members/employees of law firm: 79/7, receded from in part by 84/24, 89/17
Investment by family members in enterprise, judge as director: 87/12
Judge asked to be executor of friend’s estate: 08/05
Judge’s adult child in law firm: 08/06; 19/06
Judges’ family members employed by local sheriff’s department: 07/11
Judicial candidate’s spouse wearing candidate’s campaign badge: 12/06 (Election)
Law firm employed judge’s brother as expert witness: 03/18
Law firm employed judge’s niece as summer associate: 03/18
Law firm publicly acknowledging, promoting, or marketing fact that attorney with firm is child of specifically named judge: 16/02
Niece-in-law as judicial assistant: 98/4
Niece’s husband is attorney: 89/17

Occupation of spouse: 78/21

Owned corporation, judge on board of directors: 83/6

Performing wedding ceremony for family member: 78/22

Presiding over criminal cases involving public defender’s office after spouse/elected public defender has retired when spouse may have been privy to privileged communications: 08/18

Presiding over criminal cases involving public defender’s office after spouse/elected public defender may be called to testify in post-conviction hearings: 08/18

Presiding over criminal cases involving public defender’s office after spouse/elected public defender’s retirement: 08/18

Receiving fee as trustee of family estate: 90/11

Relative, appointment as guardian ad litem, receiver, or special master: 82/13

Relative, within third degree: 88/20, 97/13

Serving as guardian of minor children: 12/05

Sibling, employment with law firm appearing before judge: 92/17

Son, employed by law firm appearing before judge: 06/26

Son-in-law, candidate for office of public defender: 00/11

Son-in-law employed as student law clerk: 07/16

Son-in-law, voluntary testimony in his behalf: 91/5

Son’s campaign, assistance by retired, non-recall judge: 01/04

Son’s law firm represents party in family law case and parties have child appearing before judge in delinquency case: 06/27

Spouse, administrator of HRS child support enforcement program: 90/23

Spouse, applicability of canons: 90/13

Spouse, assistant public defender: 91/17

Spouse, assistant to director of pretrial intervention program: 84/2
Spouse as typist of transcripts of testimony: 81/9

Spouse, board of bank: 75/15

Spouse, candidate for office: 87/22, 90/70, 17/16 (Election)

Spouse, case manager of family law division: 02/02

Spouse, child victim specialist in state attorney’s office: 03/08

Spouse, client of law firm appearing before judge: 99/25, 01/17

Spouse, corporate partner with convicted felon, judge as shareholder: 94/37

Spouse, court program specialist: 99/10

Spouse, court reporter: 93/10, 01/08

Spouse deceased; judge serving as officer of solo P.A. to file corporate report as part of closing practice: 15/07

Spouse, deputy sheriff: 93/18

Spouse, director of condominium association: 77/19

Spouse, director of corporation to assist cocaine users: 87/12

Spouse, director of guardian ad litem program: 84/15

Spouse, displaying signs endorsing partisan political candidate on property co-owned by spouse-judge: 06/11

Spouse, elected municipal official holding campaign event in home of judge and spouse: 11/10

Spouse, elected official, appearing in judge’s campaign photo: 06/13 (Election)

Spouse, elected official, hosting campaign event at home of judge and spouse: 11/10

Spouse, employed as field representative for Treasurer/Insurance Commissioner’s office: 84/7

Spouse, employed as licensed stockbroker: 90/13

Spouse, employed as paralegal in law firm with lawyers appearing before judge: 07/14

Spouse, employed by bonding agency: 87/8

Spouse, employed by Legal Services: 83/10
Spouse, employed by school board (recusal): 87/2
Spouse, employee of attorney: 81/1
Spouse, employee of Department of Environmental Protection: 94/3
Spouse, holding fund-raiser at judge’s home: 01/09
Spouse, in practice with assistant public defender: 87/11
Spouse is supervisor of state attorney’s office: 11/21 recedes from 77/12 and 77/4
Spouse is sworn legal counsel to sheriff’s office: 12/33
Spouse, legal aid attorney: 97/25
Spouse, legislator: 98/3, 98/19
Spouse, manager, county-employed: 91/27
Spouse, manager of organization where defendants perform community service: 87/7
Spouse, mayor of municipality: 83/14
Spouse, mediator in child custody and support cases: 88/10
Spouse, member of electric cooperative: 76/14
Spouse, member of law firm appearing before judge: 78/20, 92/8
Spouse of judicial candidate: 77/15, 10/07 (Election)
Spouse, owner and operator of domestic violence program: 98/29, 98/30
Spouse, owner of company that is represented by law firm that has cases pending before judge, but none of lawyers representing company appears before judge: 18/22
Spouse, owner of court reporting service: 01/08
Spouse, police department’s part-time employee: 00/17
Spouse, protest of rezoning: 86/3
Spouse, public defender: 01/05
Spouse, recipient of expenses to attend conference: 89/9
Spouse, represents party in unrelated matter: 99/28
Spouse, retired public defender: 08/18

Spouse, running for elected office: 90/7, 87/22, 18/02 (Election)

Spouse, secretary for local law enforcement agency: 93/41

Spouse, secretary to other judge: 76/24

Spouse, sitting judge, appearing in judge’s campaign photo: 07/13, 16/07, 17/16 (Election)

Spouse, stockbroker: 90/13

Spouse, supervisor of pretrial services assessment division: 02/15

Spouse, temporary secretary for several local law firms: 97/8

Spouse, typist of transcripts of testimony: 81/9

Stepson: 91/1

Stepson-in-law, member of law firm: 85/6

Title to real estate in trust for father and friends: 74/7

Use by judge of judge’s former law office in building which family members own and in which they continue to practice law: 13/13

Using spouse’s travel agency: 94/6

**Family Mediator:**

Also serving as child support hearing officer: 98/22

Application of code: 90/6

Judge serving as private mediator: 02/01

Mayor’s task force on mortgage fraud: 08/01

Planning council fund-raising for university: 08/01

**Fees:** (see also Compensation)

Affidavit for attorney services: 76/9

Co-personal representative and co-trustee in estate: 90/11
Determination of attorney fees: 79/2

Fee earned as real estate broker: 90/11

Fee earned as trustee: 90/11

Fee earned during practice of law: 81/11, 89/1, 90/4, 94/7, 95/11, 97/9, 06/31, 09/09, 13/04, 15/10

Internet company providing family law information: 07/21

Promissory note from former law firm: 00/34, 00/34a

Receipt by judicial candidate from former law firm: 86/7

Referral of case to law firm before taking bench: 15/10

**Fiduciary**: (see Estate and Trustee)

**Filing Financial Reports**:

- Canon 6 compliance supersedes other requirements: 73/10, 75/13
- Retired judges: 76/4

**Financial**: (see also Business Dealings)

- Advance payment from firm with which judge will practice on retirement: 77/18
- Air passes, reporting: 88/17
- Assistance to judge for legal expenses: 77/8, 98/11
- Attorney who appears before judge: 77/4, 77/18, 82/12, 89/2, 91/1, 97/33
- Bank whose chairman of board is close friend: 79/4
- Bank whose vice-president is convicted felon: 79/4
- Beneficiary interest in land trust: 76/19, 89/2
- Boat charter: 88/6
- Consultant, paid: 90/14
- Family-owned business: 77/1, 80/7
Former firm: **00/34a recedes from 74/4 and 75/7, 76/19, 78/19, 91/8**

Interest in domestic violence program: **98/29, 98/30**

Interest in electric cooperative: **76/14**

Interest in mediation services corporation: **88/4**

Internet company providing family law information: **07/21**

Investment in mortgage: **73/9**

Investments leading to litigation: **73/9, 74/5**

Joint account, spouse running for mayor: **87/22**

Joint ownership of fishing trailer, state attorney: **01/11**

Judge, beneficiary of land trust with former law partners: **07/02**

Judge’s former law partners and co-beneficiaries of land trust appear as counsel: **07/02**

Legal education courses: **76/18, 78/23**

Maintaining partnership account with former law firm partner to receive fees earned prior to assuming bench: **06/31**

Mayor’s task force on mortgage fraud: **08/01**

Mediator recommendation by judge: **08/01**

Member, board of trustees for country day school: **78/15**

Organization for-profit sponsoring legal courses: **76/18**

Planning council fund-raising for university: **08/01**

Probationer: **79/4**

Reimbursement of expenses for judge’s seminar on law regarding elections: **07/15**

Relationship with attorney who appears before judge: **02/19**

Rental of building to attorneys: **87/17, 91/1, 97/33, 07/10**

Reporting: **73/10, 75/1, 75/13, 76/4, 97/36**

Reports, retired judge: **76/4**
Sale of intangible assets of P.A.: 91/1
Sale of law practice: 96/26
Sale, not lease, of property: 90/1
Sale of office building: 86/1
Solicitation for donations to reward probationers’ good behavior: 07/18
Stock in bank: 10/25 recedes from 89/5, 90/9
“Substantially affected”: 76/14

Florida Bar: (see Bar)

Former Business Associates:

Co-beneficiaries of trust: 76/1, 76/19

Former Employee:

Judge who is judicial candidate publicly commenting about events surrounding termination of court employee: 16/06

Former Employer:

Appearance as party: 77/11, 01/06
Gift from: 76/22

Former Firm:

As payee of note secured by former firm: 00/34a recedes from 78/16
Compensation from: 93/38, 06/31
Educational presentation to summer law clerks of judge’s former law firm: 15/06
Judge as former law clerk: 01/06
Maintaining ownership interest in business entity that owns building leased to members of: 14/27
Paying for investiture reception: 99/3
Payment of percent of fees: 86/7, 89/1
Payments for interest in: 00/34a recedes from 74/4, 75/12, 76/1, 82/7
Payments under promissory note: 00/34a
Proceedings involving: 00/34a recedes from 75/7 and 78/16, 83/3, 91/17
Retained interest in firm building: 00/34a recedes from 75/7, 78/19
Termination from: 00/34a recedes from 74/4 and 75/7, 76/1, 83/3

**Former Partner:**

Appearances before judge: 77/11
Co-beneficiary of trust: 76/1, 76/19, 07/02
Maintaining partnership account with, to receive fees earned prior to assuming bench: 06/31
Sale of property to: 73/7

**Forms:**

Pamphlets, lists in judge’s office: 91/30

**Friend:**

Close friend employed by litigant: 12/37

**Fund-Granting:**

Recommendations to public or private organizations concerning law, legal system or administration of justice: 11/06, 12/35

**Fund-Raising:**

Accepting award from local voluntary bar association at scholarship gala that is fundraiser for law students: 17/22
Activities: 73/2, 95/34

Advisory board, private court reporting school: 95/10

Alumni Association: 78/9

American Red Cross: 74/16

Anti-discrimination political organization: 02/16 (Elections)

Appearing in Association for Women Lawyers fashion show to raise money for free childcare facility in courthouse and scholarship program for law students in need: 14/07

Appearing in fund-raising ballet production sponsored by ballet company which is charitable organization and allowing production to use judge’s name and title to advertise event: 08/22

Area wide council on aging: 75/27

Attendance, by judge facing re-election, at non-partisan political rally fund-raiser for Chamber: 15/13

Attending and receiving award at event which is fund-raiser for organization mainly involved in domestic and international education programs: 09/07

Attending fund-raiser for veteran’s organization: 11/12

Bar association soliciting contributions for political action committee: 98/31

Bench and Bar Professionalism Seminar: 99/27

Bingo: 95/22

B’nai B’rith: 75/26, 85/4, 85/11

Boys Club: 76/8

Boys Ranch: 90/19

Cancer Society: 90/27

Charitable donations sent to judge after appointment to bench: 05/14

Charitable donations sent to judge prior to judge’s appointment to the bench: 05/14

Charity: 74/14, 75/26, 76/8, 79/1, 84/11, 89/16, 89/19, 90/12, 90/20, 90/27, 91/2, 98/32, 00/31

Child of judge needs medical assistance: 95/38
Childcare program: 11/06
Children’s services council: 91/2, 12/35
Child’s school (concession stand): 00/17
College, judge’s donation advertised as lure for matching funds: 91/6
Committee, fund-raising chairperson: 89/16
Committee on Bicentennial of U.S. Constitution: 87/9
“Community Service” fund: 85/13
Court employees, guardian ad litem staff: 93/29
Decorating for: 01/09
Defense fund for judge: 75/9, 85/12, 98/11
Direct solicitation of voluntary bar associations: 12/04
Directly soliciting local banks and businesses for support of financial literacy program: 11/13
Dinner, complimentary tickets: 95/19
Dinner held at judge’s home: 01/09
Dinner honoring law enforcement officer where three to five business sponsors will help underwrite event, tickets usually sell for ten dollars, and 30-40 dinners will be complimentary: 05/02
Dinner/lunch, attendance: 74/2, 90/20, 99/9
Directly from public on behalf of non-profit organization when identity of judge is unknown and/or disguised: 04/36
Domestic violence awareness-raising non-profit organization event, participation or attendance at: 13/18
Donation of items to auction: 01/09, 07/04
Electioneering communication organization, soliciting contributions for: 16/15 (Election)
Endorsing bar association proposal seeking appointment of public guardian when endorsement will be used for fund-raising: 03/24
Exhibition basketball game with Miami Dolphins: 88/5
Fashion show, announcing raffle winners: 98/32

Fashion show model for legal aid society fund-raiser: 88/31, 00/17 recedes from 93/65

For civic organization: 05/07

Fund-raising event for veterans’ organization where judge is honoree, majority of funds will benefit veterans identified in court as needing assistance: 11/12

Garage sale for charity: 01/09 recedes from 75/11

Guest of honor at dinner: 90/20, 96/3, 99/9

Guest speaker, fund-raising banquet: 99/15, 01/09

High school: 79/18

Hole sponsor at YLS hosted charity golf tournament: 11/15 recedes from 10/23 and 10/30

In general: 74/14, 74/16, 79/17

Judge, formerly staff attorney with legal services organization, submitting congratulatory message to be included in advertisement for organization’s anniversary luncheon: 06/09

Judicial assistant (by): 91/23 superseded in 95/12, 95/13

Judicial candidate: 02/18

Junior League, presentation of award to judge: 11/03

Junior League, Ways and Means Committee: 89/16

Juvenile Justice Board: 94/31

Juvenile Justice County Council: 12/35

Kiwanis: 95/22

Leaseholder association: 94/43

Legal aid organizations: 97/6, 00/06, 09/15, 18/05

Letter urging grant to domestic violence victim advocates: 02/09

Letter with contribution card enclosed: 78/1

Lobbying group: 01/13
Mayor’s task force on mortgage fraud: 08/01
Mediator recommendation by judge: 08/01
Name on letterhead: 95/34, 96/4
Newspaper’s law-related curriculum project: 97/16
Non-political: 75/27
Non-profit organization soliciting funds for scholarship named for judge: 03/05
Parent-teacher organization: 94/41
Participating in fund-raising activities at judge’s child’s school sporting events: 05/07
Participating in walk/run to support bar association pro bono project: 15/05
Planning council fund-raising for university: 08/01
Planning fund-raising activities for childcare program: 11/06
Political: 72/1, 76/15, 96/10, 02/16 (Elections)
Pricing items for auction: 01/09
Producing and narrating video in which judge requests help in project to restore courtroom: 05/12
Progress 90: 85/5
Public radio station pledge drive: 86/14
Public school education project: 94/30
Public service announcement for local non-profit organization, when volunteers and contributions not expressly requested: 00/15
Purchasing advertisement that congratulates award recipient when advertisement would appear in program materials distributed at fund-raising luncheon for Anti-Defamation League and advertisement would include judge’s name: 08/23
Religious organization: 12/36
Requesting funds as member of advisory committee established by county council: 92/12
Rotary International: 01/09
Running in fund-raising marathon for charity for which judge had sent out fund-raising
letters prior to judge’s seeking appointment to bench: 05/14

Salvation Army: 80/2, 12/31

School Board: 12/35

Self-featuring at fund-raising event: 11/15

Serving as wait staff for charitable organization’s fund-raiser: 11/14

Solicitation for donations to reward probationers’ good behavior: 07/18

Solicitation letter written by judge prior to seeking appointment to bench: 05/14

Soliciting attorneys to join or contribute to legal aid: 00/06

Soliciting donations for homeless shelter: 98/16

Soliciting in-kind donations as chairperson of circuit’s domestic violence task force: 94/33

Soliciting voluntary bar donations as member of Florida Supreme Court standing committee: 12/04

Speaking at fund-raising dinner for drug court: 08/17

Sports event: 88/5, 89/18, 89/19, 90/12

Support increased funding to aid indigent in accessing courts: 95/42, 97/6

Support of bond issue for criminal justice facility: 86/15

Support of special taxing district: 90/24

Supreme Court Standing Committee, voluntary bar donations: 12/04

“Thank you’s” to contributors: 77/22

University law alumni association, director of: 73/2

Use of judge’s home for: 01/09, 11/10

Videotaping: 90/19, 95/28

Voluntary bar association’s fund-raising activities: 03/16

YMCA: 95/28
**General Master/Magistrate:**

- Conducting co-mediations to become certified as special master: 97/15
- Maintaining real estate license and acting as agent: 18/30
- Practicing law: 96/12, 99/1
- Serving on advisory committee for Florida Assertive Community Treatment Team: 04/02
- Serve on local Board of Adjustments and Appeals: 19/09
- Serving on Health and Human Services Board: 99/17 **recedes from 95/39**
- Serving on board of directors, charitable organization: 99/17
- Working on weekends and days off as family mediator in adjoining county: 10/26

**Gift:** (see also Acceptance)

- Acceptance by court employees: 00/08
- Acceptance of gift certificate in recognition of retirement: 94/12
- Anonymous gift 17/11
- Copiers to be used by attorneys in courtroom: 17/06
- From attorneys and other third parties: 00/08
- From bequests or estates: 94/18
- Golf fee: 03/10 **recedes from 93/12**
- Honorary membership in military officers’ club: 97/27
- Jointly made to judge and spouse: 97/36
- Judge presiding over drug court receiving incentive gifts from lawyers or law firms for use as rewards to drug court program defendants/participants: 07/05
- Judge presiding over juvenile division permitted to receive items for children to play with while in court: 13/05
- Placement in judge’s chambers of art pursuant to local government’s art-in-public-places program: 14/01
- Reporting: 02/20, 18/07
Solicitation for donations to reward probationers’ good behavior: 07/18

Tickets to social and civic events, paid for by newspaper: 92/16

Golf:

Tournament chairmanship: 90/12

**Governmental Committee**: (see also Director or Board of Directors)

- Board of trustees of state schools: 03/21, 07/08
- Constitutional Revision Commission: 16/19
- Interviewing high school seniors seeking admission to national military academies: 93/42
- Mayor’s task force on mortgage fraud: 08/01
- Mediator recommendation by judge: 08/01
- Municipal government commission: 01/16
- National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws: 18/09
- Planning council fund-raising for university: 08/01
- Redistricting: 84/9
- Reimbursement of expenses for judge’s seminar on law regarding elections: 07/15
- Statewide advocacy committee: 75/32
- Task force to assist and facilitate implementation of recent legislation: 99/12

Guardian:

- For friend/past client: 75/19, 97/4
- Judge serving as guardian of child not member of judge’s family: 05/03
- Retired judge: 79/5
- Serving as guardian of minor children: 12/05
Hospital Board:

Serving on: 91/25, 91/32

Husband: (see Family)

Impartiality of Judge: (see also Appearance of Impropriety)

Acceptance of out of state trip with attorney eight to nine years ago: 09/01

Accepting award at charity luncheon with silent auction: 12/30

Accepting award from MADD: 00/18

Accepting “government rate” discount for ticket to legal aid organization’s annual gala: 13/12

Accepting invitation to hunt with former litigant’s spouse on land former litigant’s family controls: 08/19

Advocating handgun control: 93/64

Advocating signing of petitions relating to criminal justice: 94/1

Allowing juveniles to perform community service hours by participating in jogging program with judge: 10/37

Appeal for foster parents: 14/23

Appearance in family photograph to be used in spouse’s political campaign: 07/13

Appearing in fund-raising ballet production sponsored by ballet company which is charitable organization and allowing production to use judge’s name and title to advertise event: 08/22

Assisting in planning education program sponsored by Department of Children and Families: 08/21

Attendance at anti-discrimination political organization fund-raiser: 02/16 (Elections)

Attendance at bar association functions: 00/14, 00/20

Attendance at or participation in domestic violence awareness-raising non-profit organization fund-raiser: 13/18

Attendance at police department’s citizens’ police academy: 00/04
Attendance at political function for judicial candidate: 79/10, 94/42

Attendance at political meeting to discuss case: 85/9

Attending meet-and-greet functions for spouse’s nonpartisan candidacy for public office: 07/13

Attorney as tenant: 97/33, 07/10

Attorney, former opponent, now withdrawn, practicing before judge: 94/10

Attorney is civil traffic infraction hearing officer in same county: 12/28

Attorney is member of judicial nominating commission: 97/14

Attorney is spouse of attorney representing judge: 11/17

Attorney previously dated judge: 99/2

Attorney previously represented judge: 93/17

Attorney’s child is judge’s godchild: 93/21

Attorney’s firm represents judge or spouse: 99/13, 99/25

Attorneys represented opposing party in prior personal lawsuit against judge: 97/12

Bailiff also working as process server: 96/8

Board member of Innocence Project of Florida: 11/19

Brochure on rights of criminal defendants: 73/18

Campaign speech expressing views: 78/6, 78/15

Cases involving crimes for which brother is currently being prosecuted: 97/21

Chairing board of advocacy organization relating to human trafficking issues: 14/25

Chairman, Anti-Defamation League Civil Rights Committee: 94/13

Chairperson, honorary: 86/6

Chief judge responding in writing on clemency and parole input requests, without personal knowledge of case: 02/04

Child works in state attorney’s office: 12/02

Child, attorney of record: 98/20
Child, employment with law firm appearing before judge: 82/17, 85/2, 98/20

Co-host party with attorney: 75/2

Confidentiality agreement, signing when in advisory role in nonprofit cultural organization: 17/18

Drug and alcohol treatment corporation naming its meeting and dining hall after judge: 94/36

Educational presentation to summer law clerks of judge’s former law firm: 15/06

Educational/trial skills course at program sponsored by Department of Children and Families: 08/21

Endorsing partisan political candidate by displaying signs in and on private property: 06/11

Expert witness is judge’s former fiancé who leases office space from judge’s partnership: 08/03

Expression of views: 78/3, 78/14

Extrajudicial committee processing complaints: 76/25

Facilitator for batterers’ intervention program: 98/30

Free legal services as contemplated in proposed pro bono implementation rules: 93/14

Ill-will between judge and assistant state attorney: 08/04

Interviewer of candidates: 80/15

Interview of judge by lawyers and their clients regarding findings and conclusions of arbitration panel upon which judge served before taking the bench: 06/07

Investment in questionable land purchase: 74/5

Judge asked to be executor of friend’s estate: 08/05

Judge, beneficiary of land trust with former law partners: 07/02

Judge, former law clerk of attorney: 01/06

Judge owns fishing trailer with state attorney: 01/11

Judge participating in charity even wearing shirt the local attorney’s name on it: 12/29

Judge presiding over drug court receiving incentive gifts from lawyers or law firms for
use as rewards to drug court program defendants/participants: 07/05

Judge’s adult child in law firm: 08/06

Judges’ family members employed by local sheriff’s department: 07/11

Judge’s former law firm mailing congratulatory announcement to firm’s clients regarding judge’s recent appointment to the bench: 06/10

Judge’s former law firm placing congratulatory announcement in Florida Bar News about judge’s recent appointment to bench: 06/10

Judge’s former law partners and co-beneficiaries of land trust appear as counsel: 07/02

Judge’s spouse soliciting funds for charity event where team is named for local lawyer: 12/29

Judicial legal staff serving as elected officials: 00/33

Law clerk as arbitrator: 00/13

Law clerk on board of Florida Legal Services: 01/12

Law firm employs attorney who dated judge: 99/2

Law firm presently represents judge or spouse: 99/13, 99/25

Law firm’s prior representation of judge in real estate sale and purchase: 93/19

Lawyer contributed to campaign fund: 78/7

Lawyer is joint owner of property: 82/14

Lawyer is judge’s first cousin: 97/13

Letter to editor regarding method of selecting and retaining judiciary: 80/14

Mayor’s task force on mortgage fraud: 08/01

Making public comment regarding matter before court: 96/18

Mediator recommendation by judge: 08/02 (Election)

Member, advisory board of professional publication on area of expertise: 01/07

Member, domestic violence clemency panel: 96/16

Membership, Academy of Florida Trial Lawyers (now Florida Justice Association): 95/21
Membership, American Board of Trial Advocates: 95/46, 03/02

Membership, American Israel Public Affairs Committee: 01/13

Membership, Anti-Defamation League Executive Committee: 94/13

Membership, board of directors of non-profit corporation: 95/34, 99/20

Membership, board of directors of police office trust: 94/15

Membership, county’s women’s political caucus: 93/50

Membership, domestic violence council, with operators of for-profit batterers’ intervention program: 01/14

Membership, domestic violence task force, by domestic violence judge: 94/38

Membership, Florida Bar committees or councils: 03/02

Membership in advocacy groups, organizations: 91/14, 91/22, 92/5

Membership, local bar committee: 00/28

Membership, political action committee: 02/14; 13/20

Membership, victims’ advocacy group: 01/14

Membership, victims’ rights organization: 98/8

On appeal: 82/9, 11/16

Part-time hearing officer practicing in own court: 95/8

Permitting court-established elder justice program to provide to public list of attorneys available to represent laypersons serving as guardians in guardianship proceedings: 08/24

Planning council fund-raising for university: 08/01

Post trial comments to or discussion with jurors: 89/13

Preliminary probable cause finding based on sworn arrest reports: 07/19

Presiding over criminal cases involving public defender’s office after spouse/elected public defender has retired when spouse may have been privy to privileged communications: 08/18

Presiding over criminal cases involving public defender’s office after spouse/elected public defender may be called to testify in post-conviction hearings: 08/18
Presiding over criminal cases involving public defender’s office after spouse/elected public defender’s retirement: 08/18

Previous voluntary standing recusal order: 09/01

Published conclusions on constitutionality of legislation: 00/02

Purchasing advertisement that congratulates award recipient when advertisement would appear in program materials distributed at fund-raising luncheon for Anti-Defamation League and advertisement would include judge’s name: 08/23

Represented adverse party of attorney/litigant: 12/08

Retired judge advertising mediation services: 07/12

Reviewing documents in court file, which documents were undisclosed to defendant: 99/19

Roles as traffic magistrate and auxiliary state trooper: 92/37

Service as administrator in Florida Highway Patrol Auxiliary: 06/29

Service in advisory role in nonprofit cultural organization that takes public positions on pending legislation: 17/18

Service on Advisory Committee for Florida’s Battered Women’s Clemency Project: 94/32

Service on county criminal justice commission: 97/20

Service on county’s children’s advisory board: 93/46

Service on municipality’s children’s commission: 01/16

Service on statutory children’s services council: 97/20

Solicitation for donations to reward probationers’ good behavior: 07/18

Son-in-law, candidate for office of public defender: 00/11

Son-in-law employed as student law clerk: 07/16

Speech by judge at partisan meeting: 07/20

Spokesperson for child safety campaign: 01/03

Spouse case manager for family law division: 02/02

Spouse elected public defender: 01/05
Spouse employed as attorney for Legal Aid: 97/25
Spouse employed as court program specialist in same division: 99/10
Spouse employed as paralegal in law firm with lawyers appearing before judge: 07/14
Spouse employed as secretary for local law enforcement agency: 93/41
Spouse employed as supervisor of State Attorney’s Office: 11/21
Spouse employed as temporary secretary for several local law firms: 97/8
Spouse is supervisor of state attorney’s office: 11/21 recedes from 77/12 and 77/4
Spouse owner of court reporting service: 01/08
Spouse represents party in unrelated matter: 99/28
Spouse, retired public defender: 08/18
Spouse supervisor of pretrial services assessment division: 02/15
Tenants/defendants in residential foreclosure proceeding: 12/09
Traffic magistrate renting office space from law firm handling traffic cases: 07/01
Traffic magistrates, restriction on practice in DUI court: 93/26
Traffic magistrate working as independent contractor with law firm that handles traffic cases: 07/01

**Income or Compensation:** (see also Fees and Compensation)

Judges’ family members employed by local sheriff’s department: 07/11
Performing wedding ceremony: 73/5
Reimbursement of expenses for judge’s seminar on law regarding elections: 07/15
Writing article for newspaper: 73/8

**Incumbent Judge:**

Campaign fund-raising letter from judge’s parents: 08/09 (Election)
Disclosure of members of judge’s campaign committee: 08/02 (Election)
Use in campaign of words re-elect or retain, where previous election was retention vote: 76/2

**Indigents:**

Services for: 74/17

**Inherited Property:**

Possibility as shareholder in corporation spouse owns with convicted felon: 94/37

**Inquiry:**

By non-judge: 75/6 (J.Q.C.)

**Interest:**

In bank: **10/25 recedes from 89/5, 90/9**

In domestic violence program: 98/29

In land trust: 76/19

In property: 74/15, 78/19, 85/16, 97/33

**Internet** (see also Social Media):

Creating web page for election: 99/26, 00/22 (Election)

Internet company providing family law information: 07/21

Misleading web address: 00/21 (Election)

Participating in email forum: 01/02

Speaking to community groups regarding dangers of online predators: 06/30

Website announcing availability to chief judges: 00/10

**Interview:**

Interview by state attorney to discuss factual issues of case judge previously prosecuted
as assistant state attorney: 06/02, 06/12

Interview with judge to appear in documentary film which will market literacy initiative to youths: 06/14

Non-testimonial interview of judge by lawyer about matter in which judge would be fact witness: 03/04

Textbook publisher creating online educational video about criminal justice system: 04/17

**Invention:**

Marketing of: 84/3

**Investment:**

Advice: 74/14, 74/16, 76/1

Amway Network Marketing: 95/4

Banks: 95/31

Business properties: 76/1, 94/43, 97/33

Corporation assisting cocaine users, judge as director, investment by family members: 87/12

Corporation providing mediation services: 88/4

Domestic violence program, owned and operated by judge and/or spouse: 98/29

Funds from former law firm: 75/12

Insurance claim: 78/2

Judge, beneficiary of land trust with former law partners: 07/02

Judge’s former law partners and co-beneficiaries of land trust appear as counsel: 07/02

Legal education firm: 76/18

Mortgages on residential property: 11/02

Opportunities: 74/15

Real estate mortgage: 74/9
Judge:

Ad litem of municipal court: 73/14

Advocate General’s Court member: 74/6

Appearance in family photograph to be used in spouse’s political campaign: 07/13

As private citizen: 74/11

Attendance at citizens’ police academy: 00/04

Attendance at political functions: 84/8

Attending meet-and-greet functions for spouse’s nonpartisan candidacy for public office: 07/13

Attending meet-and-greet functions sponsored by nonpartisan groups and using campaign funds to pay for admission and table fees: 04/27

Campaign fund-raising letter from judge’s parents: 08/09 (Election)

Campaign speech expressing views: 78/6

Disclosure of members of judge’s campaign committee: 08/02 (Election)

Expert witness is judge’s former fiancé who leases office space from his partnership: 08/03

Expression of views regarding proposed constitutional amendments: 78/3

Ill-will between judge and assistant state attorney: 08/04

Internet company providing family law information: 07/21

Judge asked to be executor of friend’s estate: 08/05

Judge’s adult child in law firm: 08/06

Judge’s contribution to judicial assistant’s student government campaign: 08/07

Judges’ family members employed by local sheriff’s department: 07/11

Mayor’s task force on mortgage fraud: 08/01

Mediator recommendation by judge: 08/01

Meeting with groups of citizens to discuss criminal activity: 94/9
Need to be informed about family activities: 90/13

Part-time: 73/16, 90/17

Planning council for fund-raising for university: 08/01

Preliminary probable cause finding based on sworn arrest reports: 07/19

Private mediator: 88/4, 02/01

Pro tempore: 73/14, 90/6, 93/44

Protest of re-zoning: 86/3

Publishing article commending those involved in high profile trial: 94/25

Publishing article on constitutionality of legislation: 00/02

Reimbursement of expenses for judge’s seminar on law regarding elections: 07/15

Reporting suspected child abuse on form: 00/03

Retired judge advertising mediation services: 07/12

Riding with law enforcement as observer: 91/31

Serving one week assignment as pro tem judge in state of Colorado: 93/44

Solicitation for donations to reward probationers’ good behavior: 07/18

Son-in-law employed as student law clerk: 07/16

Traffic hearing officer running for county judge: 08/08

Traffic magistrate, not judge: 90/17

Writing introduction for brochure on task force: 00/05

Judge-Elect:

Attorney as: 88/29, 00/39

Continue to act as assistant state attorney until assuming office: 74/13

Continue to act as chief assistant state attorney until assuming office: 84/21

Participation in nonjudicial campaigns before being sworn in: 98/25
Judgment:

Drafting by counsel: 75/4
Entry: 89/7
Preparation by judge: 79/8
Preparation of judgment and orders: 79/8
Reimbursement to law firm for expenditures: 89/7

Judicial Assistant:

Accepting gifts from lawyers and other third parties: 00/08
As fund-raiser: 95/12 supersedes 91/23, 95/13
Continued employment after marrying judge’s child: 15/09
Hiring niece-in-law as: 98/4
Judge’s contribution to judicial assistant’s student government campaign: 08/07
Now secretary at local law firm: 96/1
Political activity: 92/33
Subject to Code of Judicial Conduct: 95/12 supersedes 91/23, 95/13

Judicial Candidate: (see also Candidate and Political, Canon 7)

Accepting assistance from political party in gathering signatures: 06/08
Accepting campaign contributions: 12/01 (Election), 17/26 (Election)
Accepting endorsement of partisan elected official, in her/her personal capacity: 12/18 (Election), 12/21 (Election), 16/09
Accepting family loans: 06/24 (Election)
Active opposition: 92/19, 94/10, 95/30
Advertisement depicting candidate with mock jury: 00/27
Advertising depicting judge candidate wearing robe: 08/11 (Election)
Advertising Florida Bar certification: 84/10
Advertising including photos of judge candidate with elected and non-elected officers and colleagues: 08/11 (Election)

Advertising including photos of judge candidate with spouse who is sitting judge: 07/13, 16/07, 17/16 (Election)

Advertising including photos of judge with jurors and unsolicited letters from jurors complimenting judge: 08/11 (Election)

Advertising on supporter’s vehicle, when vehicle also contains advertisements for partisan candidates: 12/19 (Election)

Announcement letter: 78/1

Appearance in advertising commercial: 94/29

Appearance in family photograph to be used in spouse’s political campaign: 07/13

As private citizen: 74/11

Attendance at anti-discrimination political organization’s fund-raiser: 02/16 (Elections)

Attendance at church sponsored “Candidate’s Night”: 98/24

Attendance at event sponsored by political party at which all candidates in that judicial race have been invited to speak: 14/08

Attendance at NRA fund-raiser: 00/22 (Election)

Attendance and speaking at partisan political forum or meeting: 77/21, 83/13, 84/22, 00/12, 00/22, 00/26, 02/08 (Elections), 02/11 (Elections), 04/11 (Election), 06/15 (Election), 16/10 (Election)

Attendance at political fair: 74/11

Attendance at political function for another candidate: 94/42

Attendance at political functions: 77/15, 83/13, 84/22, 88/18, 92/26, 96/19, 96/20, 98/17, 00/12, 00/22, 00/26, 04/21 (Election), 16/10 (Election)

Attendance at testimonial for another candidate: 77/15

Attendance by judicial candidate at meetings in private homes: 88/16

Attending campaign victory party: 12/03 (Election)

Attending functions put on by “Organizing for America,” Democratic National Committee project: 10/20 (Election)
Attending meet-and-greet functions for spouse’s nonpartisan candidacy for public office: 07/13

Attending meet-and-greet fund-raisers: 04/27 (Election)

Attending nonpartisan function sponsored by neighborhood that is not fund-raiser and to which not all candidates for same judicial seat are included: 04/28 (Election)

Attending event sponsored by nonpartisan group promoting minority voting: 17/25 (Election)

Attending town hall meeting hosted by elected state representative: 10/20 (Election)

Attorney was member of judge’s re-election committee: 03/22

Bar associations: 79/15, 79/16

Biography appearing in partisan political organization’s newsletter: 14/14 (Election)

Blanket invitation in political party newsletter: 03/13

Campaign account: 95/17

Campaign activities, regular court hours: 97/34

Campaign committee’s home page on internet: 10/21 (Election)

Campaign contributions, receipt of: 12/01 (Election)

Campaign fund-raising letter from judge’s parents: 08/09 (Election)

Campaign funds to pay filing fees: 92/27

Campaign funds, uses: 88/13

Campaign literature: 90/18, 98/27, 04/20 (Election), 17/25 (Election)

Campaign management firm where an owner or principal also holds executive position in partisan organization: 18/20 (Election)

Campaign speech expressing views: 78/6, 78/15

Candidate for county judge serving as traffic hearing officer: 11/09

Candidate questionnaire: 94/34

Candidate serving as pro bono advisor to local political party executive committee prior to formal qualifying period: 06/08
Candidates traveling together: 11/20 (Election)

Cases likely to be handled without formal court appearance, notice to parties when member of judge’s campaign committee is opposing counsel in: 13/18

Chief assistant state attorney is opposing candidate: 94/28

Civil traffic infraction hearing officer campaigning for election as county judge: 11/09

Commenting on controversial issues, such as religious freedom and abortion: 02/13 (Elections)

Commenting on pending cases: 00/21 (Election), 04/18 (Election), 19/04

Committee of interested person, inclusion of political office holder up for election on judge’s: 16/05

Communication on nomination: 82/8, 86/2, 87/23, 88/1, 89/15

Conduct: 90/16

Conduct of another candidate: 84/16, 89/20, 90/18, 98/27

County fair, purchasing tent space with other candidates at: 10/14 (Election)

County judge for circuit, “re-elect”: 88/16

Criticism of opponent: 90/18, 94/16, 96/24, 98/27

Debate by: 78/13

Designation as state attorney: 90/18

Directly soliciting attorneys for support: 04/07 (Election)

Disclosing political party affiliation: 02/13 (Elections)

Disclosure of members of judge’s campaign committee: 08/02 (Election)

Disclosure that lawyer serves on judge’s campaign committee: 07/17

Disqualification when attorney is campaign treasurer for judicial election opponent: 11/08

Distribution of campaign materials at NRA meeting: 00/22

Distribution of campaign solicitation material at meetings in nongovernment buildings: 04/07 (Election)
Distribution of campaign solicitation material in judge’s office: 90/15

Domestic Relations Commissioner, terms defining position: 84/17

Educating public about judicial appointment process and mentioning who appointed incumbent: 14/12 (Election)

Emailing invitation to campaign fundraiser: 10/14 (Election)

Endorsement cards: 90/15

Endorsement of political party sought: 98/19, 04/09 (Election)

Endorsing judicial candidates by mailing brochures of three judicial candidates in envelope: 04/29 (Election)

Expressing views on legal or political issues: 02/13 (Elections), 04/09 (Election)

Facebook page for asking for signatures on petition to permit candidate to qualify without fee: 17/24 (Election)

Family members who are on committee of responsible persons soliciting contributions and endorsements: 10/16 (Election)

Fees from law firm: 86/7

For election and appointment: 00/19

Fund-raising: 02/18

Hiring partisan political candidate running for different office or executive officer of partisan political party as campaign manager/consultant: 08/16 (Election), 10/21 (Election)

Hosting radio talk show: 00/16

Indicating agreement with criteria used by U.S. President in nominating identified justices of U.S. Supreme Court: 10/14 (Election)

Interviews: 84/22, 98/19

Judge candidate accepting public endorsement, and indicating title of, state attorney, sheriff, or police chief: 14/11

Judge’s campaign website referring to and facilitating giving of campaign contributions: 08/11 (Election), 14/04

Judicial candidate placing campaign literature on display tables in Republican and Democratic committee headquarters: 04/31 (Election)
Judicial candidate’s spouse wearing candidate’s campaign badge: 12/06 (Election)

Limited campaign activities: 92/19, 95/2, 95/5, 95/6

Mailing press release/photo to local newspapers: 94/24

Materials depicting judge candidate wearing robe: 08/11 (Election)

Membership in voluntary bar association endorsing: 01/15

New Code of Judicial Conduct: 95/2, 95/5, 95/6

Not seeking retention or re (Election): 88/16

Overseeing own campaign website or the paid communications firm managing website: 14/04

Participating in fundraiser for charitable organization: 10/14 (Election)

Participation in interview: 84/22, 98/19

Participating in nonpartisan event: 04/23 (Election)

Participating in opinion survey: 04/24 (Election)

Participation in “question and answer” candidates’ forum: 98/17

Political party: 00/26 (Election)

Position on death penalty: 94/26

Potential candidate presiding over cases involving attorney member of judicial nominating commission: 97/14

Presiding over cases involving attorney member of judicial nominating commission: 97/14

Prior experience as traffic court parking ticket hearing officer, juvenile smoking court and animal control as “quasi-judicial”: 00/24

Promises of conduct in office: 78/15, 84/18, 88/25, 90/18

Proposal concerning holding court after normal working hours: 88/15

Public response to statements by opponent: 96/24

Public v. private support of another judge: 90/3

Publicizing endorsement of political party: 00/29 (Election)
Publicizing opponent’s business practices: 02/13 (Elections)

Publicizing endorsements rating: 84/22

Publicly commenting on conduct and actions in pending legal proceeding of opponent: 04/18 (Election)

Publicly endorsing another candidate for public office: 04/30 (Election)

Publishing information from public officials about health of incumbent judge against whom inquiring judicial candidate plans to run: 04/25

Receiving and publishing endorsement for election from senior assistant county attorney and municipal code enforcement special master/magistrate: 08/12

References to quasi-judicial experience: 00/24

Representing self as judge: 84/17, 90/17, 00/21, 00/27

Reproducing and distributing recommendations or endorsements or portions thereof in campaign literature: 04/33 (Election)

Resignation of chairmanship position: 80/11

Resignation of elected state office before commencing judicial campaign: 14/05

Resignation of traffic hearing officer not required: 11/09

Responding to questionnaire: 94/34, 96/21, 06/18 (Election)

Retaining campaign consulting firm in which another judge’s spouse has interest: 03/20

Retired judge running for circuit judgeship: 08/10 (Election)

Role and conduct of legislator spouse: 98/3

Seeking endorsement of political party: 98/19

Service on executive committee of local bar association: 98/18

Service on nominating committee of Florida Public Service Commission: 94/23

Signing Cuban American Judicial Election Campaign Pledge: 08/14

Simultaneous pursuit of election and appointment: 00/19

Social clubs: 92/3

Speaking at political function: 96/11, 10/19 (Election)
Speech by: 77/21, 98/24

Spouse as member of political party's executive committee: 10/22 (Election)

Spouse, elected official, accompanying judge to campaign appearances: 06/13 (Election)

Spouse, elected official, appearing in judge’s campaign photo: 06/13 (Election)

Spouse of: 77/15, 98/3, 10/16 (Election), 10/22 (Election)

Spouse wearing candidate’s campaign badge: 12/06 (Election)

Standing outside of political party function if not invited to speak: 03/13

State attorney: 90/18

Television campaign commercials: 94/35

Thank you notes to campaign contributors: 77/22

Traffic hearing officer endorsing: 02/10

Traffic hearing officers: 90/17, 11/09

Travel with other judicial candidate: 11/20

Twitter account with open privacy setting: 13/14

Unopposed incumbent judicial candidate speaking to League of Women Voters and NAACP regarding court funding under article V, revision 7: 03/23

Use of bar poll results: 00/21 (Election)

Use of business record of opponent: 02/13 (Elections)

Use of endorsement from elected partisan official: 06/21 (Election), 06/24 (Election)

Use of photograph of candidate accepting award from Florida Supreme Court: 10/18 (Election)

Use of photograph of candidate being sworn in by now-deceased former judge: 14/10

Use of photograph of candidate in judicial robe on brochure: 80/10, 06/16

Use of “re-elect” and “retain”: 02/07 (Election)

Use of term “part-time law professor”: 06/16 (Election)

Use of title “Administrative Law Judge”: 08/15
Use of title “Judge” by retired senior judge judicial candidate: 08/13

Use of title “Magistrate” in campaign: 06/16 (Election)

Use of voice recordings of incumbent opponent: 00/21 (Election)

Use of website: 00/22

Use of word “preside” in campaign: 06/16 (Election)

Using favorable remarks from juror questionnaires in campaign: 06/20 (Election)

Using petition method to qualify for re-election: 92/29, 18/04 (Election)

Using political party facilities: 02/13 (Elections)

Volunteer workers wearing badges supporting candidate and handing out literature at political party function: 03/13

When person becomes candidate: 94/20

Judicial Duties:

Accepting payment for expenses incurred while presiding over depositions conducted in foreign country: 06/22

Consultations with other judges on specific legal matters: 87/19

Disclosure of nonpublic information unrelated to judicial duties that was acquired in judicial capacity: 15/03

Drug and alcohol treatment corporation naming its meeting and dining hall after judge: 94/36

Entry of judgment: 89/7

Mayor’s task force on mortgage fraud: 08/01

Mediator recommendation by judge: 88/4, 08/01

Planning council fund-raising for university: 08/01

Preliminary probable cause finding based on sworn arrest reports: 07/19

Reporting suspected child abuse: 00/03

Retired judge, mediating circuit cases, serving as county judge: 99/16

Reviewing unsworn comments, not disclosed to defendant: 99/19
Judicial Nominating Commission:

Attorney member practicing before potential district court of appeal candidate: 97/14
Communication on pending applicant: 86/2, 87/23, 88/1, 89/15, 95/24 clarified in 96/23
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Jurisdiction of Committee:

Constitutionality of enacted law: 02/16 (Elections)
Judicial candidates: 76/2, 76/7, 78/18, 80/3, 80/11, 81/11, 82/10, 84/11, 84/16, 88/3, 88/7, 88/8, 89/7, 89/13, 89/20, 90/6, 98/18
Family mediator: 90/6
Financial disclosure statement: 10/25 recedes from 93/25
Subject matter not within: 89/7, 91/10, 97/18, 98/9, 98/18, 99/8, 02/16 (Elections)

Jury:

Advising jurors of option of donating jury service compensation to various organizations: 97/32
Conversation with judge: 89/13
Giving commendation “challenge coin” to jurors to thank them for service: 13/22

Juvenile Dependency Hearing Officers:

Code of Judicial Conduct applies: 00/36
Pro bono evening family law hearing officers and practice of law: 02/03
Restriction on practice of law by part-time officers: 00/36

Land:

Development, limited partnership: 74/8
Ownership involving litigation: 74/15, 78/19
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Trust, interest in: 76/19, 82/4, 89/2, 07/02

Law:
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Law Clerk:
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Indirect application of Code of Judicial Conduct: 00/13, 01/12
Letter of recommendation: 88/26
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Political activity of law clerks: 93/45
Propriety of law clerk acting as arbitrator: 00/13
Research aides, participation in Volunteer Lawyers Project and Citizens Settlement Dispute Project: 87/18
Son-in-law employed as student law clerk: 07/16
Spouse employed by attorney general: 87/13
Staff serving as elected officials: 00/33
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Law Firm:
Judge’s adult child in law firm: 08/06
Purchase of building on which judge carries first mortgage: 87/24
Representing judge and family in prior litigation: 86/9
Representing judge in other litigation: 99/13 recedes from 79/2
Representing spouse’s law firm: 01/17

Representing wife or wife’s corporation: 76/23, 99/25

Son-in-law employed as student law clerk: 07/16

Sponsorship of seminar, flyers: 87/3

Spouse employed as paralegal in law firm with lawyers appearing before judge: 07/14

Working with law firm: 12/10

**Law Office Building:**

Sale to county: 86/1

Use by judge of judge’s former law office in building which family members own and in which they continue to practice law: 13/13

**Law Practice:**

Closing out, quantum meruit fees: 91/8

Continuing during period between election and investiture: 00/39

**Law-Related Purpose:**

Appearing in video discussing technological development pioneered by judge’s circuit, which will be shown at technology conference and on technology company’s website: 14/06

Appearing in Association for Women Lawyers fashion show to raise money for free childcare facility in courthouse and scholarship program for law students in need: 14/07

Purchasing advertisement that congratulates award recipient when advertisement would appear in program materials distributed at fund-raising luncheon for Anti-Defamation League and advertisement would include judge’s name: 08/23

Law-related organizations and private law firm jointly hosting free post-seminar reception at courthouse: 17/04

**Lawyer:** (see Attorney)

Judge’s adult child in law firm: 08/06
Lease:

Office building to local legal aid: 07/10
Office space to stepson: 91/1
Professional association’s tangible assets: 91/1
Property to governmental organization: 90/1

Lectures:

At legal seminar sponsored by private corporation: 92/45
At religious university: 97/26
Cruise ship (free passage in exchange for lecture): 92/7
Speaking to community groups regarding dangers of online predators: 06/30
To judge advocate officer: 75/3
To plaintiffs or defense lawyers groups on law-related or trial law-related matters: 00/14

Legal Action by Court:

Writ of mandamus filed with Florida Supreme Court by judge: 92/22

Legal Aid Society:

Accepting “government rate” discount to organization’s annual gala: 13/12
Board of directors: 74/17, 86/16, 97/6, 00/25
Donating money to legal aid organization whose attorneys appear before judge: 14/26
Law clerk as board member of Florida Legal Services: 01/12
Leasing office building from judge: 07/10
Solicitation of funds from fellow judges: 97/6
Solicitation of funds from lawyers: 86/16, 00/06
Legal Counsel:

Disclosure that lawyer serves on judge’s campaign committee: 07/17

Son-in-law employed as student law clerk: 07/16

Traffic magistrate serving as member of board of directors and legal counsel for charitable organization: 94/8

Legal Directories:

Rating attorneys for: 73/15

Legislative Office:

Sought by judge, resign to run: 76/11

Legislators:

Communication with: 75/14, 88/22, 98/13, 99/21, 09/08

Participation in special session by judicial appointee/legislator who will not take office as judge until after conclusion of special session: 14/19

Resignation before commencing judicial campaign: 14/05

Spouse as legislator: 98/3, 98/19

Lending Prestige of Office: (see also Prestige of Judicial Office)

Accepting award from MADD: 00/18

Advance private interests of others: 91/13, 91/29, 99/22

Advertisement congratulating judge sold as fund-raiser: 99/9

Advertisement containing judge’s endorsement of out-of-state development: 93/34

Appearance in family photograph to be used in spouse’s political campaign: 07/13

Appearing in Association for Women Lawyers fashion show to raise money for free childcare facility in courthouse and scholarship program for law students in need: 14/07

Appearing in video discussing technological development pioneered by judge’s circuit,
which will be shown at technology conference and on technology company’s website: 14/06

Appointing psychologist to whom judge was previously engaged to conduct psychological evaluations: 03/14

As legal commentator for television station: 96/25

Attending and receiving award at event which is fund-raiser for organization mainly involved in domestic and international education programs: 09/07

Attending meet-and-greet functions for spouse’s nonpartisan candidacy for public office: 07/13

Board of directors of not-for-profit organization: 00/09

By attending function by local theme park, free of charge: 97/2

Chairperson, circuit’s domestic violence task force: 94/33

Chairperson, kickoff of charity’s tea and auction: 00/31

Communicating with guardian ad litem in post dissolution custody action involving close personal friend: 03/19

Complimentary membership in club: 74/9

Directly soliciting local banks and businesses for support of financial literacy program: 11/13

Donating funds remaining in judge’s campaign account to not-for-profit organization on whose board judge serves: 14/24

Donation in exchange for withholding adjudication: 85/13

Drug and alcohol treatment corporation naming its meeting and dining hall after judge: 94/36

Endorsing directory containing both public and private service providers to children and adolescents: 92/43

Endorsing bar association proposal seeking appointment of public guardian when endorsement will be used for fund-raising: 03/24

Endorsing candidate for The Florida Bar Board of Governors: 01/01

For fund-raising by non-profit organization: 03/05

Fund-raising for charity: 74/14, 01/09
Fund-raising for child’s school (concession stand): 00/17

Holding fund-raiser at home: 01/09

Honorary chairperson: 86/6

Interview of judge by lawyers and their clients regarding findings and conclusions of arbitration panel upon which judge served prior to taking bench: 06/07

Interview of judge to appear in documentary which will market literacy initiative to youths: 06/14

Judge-elect attorney continuing practice between election and investiture: 00/39

Judge-elect previously retained by party as expert witness: 04/37

Judge, former assistant state attorney, meeting with current state attorney to discuss judge’s former case: 06/12

Judge, formerly staff attorney with legal services organization, submitting congratulatory message to be included in advertisement for organization’s anniversary luncheon: 06/09

Judge voluntarily appearing in videotape to be used in personal injury settlement negotiation: 03/06

Judge voluntarily testifying as to factual matters: 03/04

Judge’s former law firm mailing congratulatory announcement to firm’s clients regarding judge’s recent appointment to the bench: 06/10

Judging or participating in beauty/talent pageant: 93/24, 17/08

Juvenile Justice Board: 94/31

Legal educational seminar that is fund-raiser: 99/27

Letter encouraging participation in non-profit: 99/22

Letter of invitation to join group that promotes intergroup relations: 93/22

Letters of recommendation: 91/13, 91/29, 94/39, 94/45, 07/06, 10/29

Letter of support for judge’s high school: 95/44

Letter of support for placement of prelaw magnet program at high school: 93/1

Letter to U.S. President regarding presidential appointment to board of directors of Legal Services Corporation: 93/32
Mediation firm sending out announcement that judge is joining firm, while judge is still in office: 10/35

Mediation group displaying senior judge mediator’s image on ads and on website: 11/11 overruled by 141 So. 3d 1172 (Fla. 2014)

Membership on domestic violence council with operators of for-profit batterers’ intervention programs: 01/14

Nominating fellow judge for MADD award: 00/18

Ordering defendants to pay money to charity as part of sentence: 84/11

Ordering probationer to perform private/non-governmental services: 89/10

Participating in fund-raising activities: 05/07

Participating in voluntary bar association’s fund-raising activities: 03/16

Participating on panel for MADD: 06/17

Picture and article in college newspaper: 80/4

Picture in alumni association brochure: 78/9

Probationer permitted to complete course sponsored by private for-profit organization in exchange for waiving community as part of sentence: 10/01

Providing items for county sheriff fund-raiser that are identifiable as made by judge: 07/04

Providing items for fund-raisers held by other community organizations that are identifiable as made by judge: 07/04

Public service announcement: 13/10

Publication of results of solicitation of funds from other judges to encourage others to contribute: 03/15

Recognition at reception for domestic violence center: 16/16

Religious organization fund-raising dinner: 12/36

Requiring DUI probationers to pay for and attend victim impact panel course presented by MADD and fee is paid to MADD to help fund its operations: 09/02

Senior judge serving as expert witness: 05/10

Service on honorary advisory board of directors of beach resort: 93/61
Soliciting attorneys to join or contribute to legal aid: 00/06
Soliciting donations of coats for the homeless: 92/38
Soliciting incentive gifts from lawyers or law firms for use as rewards to drug court program defendants/participants: 07/05
Speaking at roast dinner for local celebrity: 01/09
Taping public service announcement for local not-for-profit organization: 00/15
Use by judge of judge’s former law office in building which family members own and in which they continue to practice law: 13/13
Use of judicial letterhead for attorneys support organization: 96/2
Use of judicial letterhead to complain about insurance: 96/14
Use of photograph of judge in judicial robes in government official’s campaign literature: 92/40
Voluntary statement to police, investigation: 03/04 recedes from 00/07
Volunteering for Habitat for Humanity: 96/27

Letter: (see also Appearance of Impropriety and Character Letter)

Announcement: 78/1
Appreciation letters to attorneys who have volunteered to provided guardian ad litem service: 17/23
Campaign fund-raising letter from judge’s parents: 08/09 (Election)
Character: 75/6, 75/8, 75/10, 75/18, 75/22, 75/30, 77/10, 77/17, 79/3, 82/15, 84/14, 94/39, 94/45, 96/6, 97/7
Character, by law clerk: 97/3
Confirming work done by former campaign worker seeking college credit: 93/59
Encouraging attorneys to join or contribute to legal aid: 00/06
Encouraging participation in “Character Counts”: 99/22
Endorsement of law-related curriculum developed by newspaper: 97/16
For relative’s friend to another judge regarding drug program as alternative to
incarceration: 10/34

Former client, informing of inability to practice law and enclosing file document: 13/11

Of endorsement for directory containing both public and private service providers to children and adolescents: 92/43

Of recommendation: 91/13, 91/29, 94/39, 94/45, 07/06, 10/29

Of support for judge’s high school: 95/44

Of support for placement of prelaw magnet program at high school: 93/1

Recommendation for applicant for judicial appointment by traffic hearing officer: 03/09

Recommendation for application for real estate license: 13/08

Recommendation for law clerk: 88/26

Recommendation for law clerk applying for position on Public Service Commission: 91/13

Recommendation for local sheriff’s department: 92/35

Recommendation on behalf of disbarred attorney: 88/19

Recommendation on behalf of judicial candidate to judicial nominating commission: 89/15

Responding to inquiry from The Florida Board of Bar Examiners regarding Florida Bar applicant: 96/6

To Department of Elder Affairs indicating that guardian has demonstrated competency as professional guardian: 05/04

To jurors after trial: 85/17

To “Members of the Bar” soliciting participation on Florida Bar pro bono campaign: 10/31

To municipality in support of dedication of baseball field in name of deceased former bailiff: 17/09

Urging funding of domestic violence victims advocates: 02/09

Letterhead: (see also Stationery)

Disclosure to counsel or parties opposing attorney on judge’s committee of responsible
persons: 14/09

For personal business: 94/45

Listing on charitable organization’s letterhead judge’s name and title along with other board members’ names: 06/05

Of corporation, use of judge’s name: 88/4

License:

Maintaining active real estate license: 90/11

Limited Partnership:

Judge is limited partner in partnership that owns unimproved real estate and other limited partners are attorneys: 93/48

Land development: 74/8

Litigation by Judge:

Against state: 95/18

Lobbying:

For domestic violence legislative changes: 98/13

For juvenile justice legislative changes: 94/31

For salaries of judicial employees: 99/21

Membership in American Israel lobbying group: 01/13

Service on committee/group involved in: 97/19, 99/21

MADD:

Attending candlelight vigil: 95/41

Board of directors: 06/17

Participation in panel discussion on underage drinking: 82/18
Requiring DUI probationers to pay for and attend victim impact panel course presented by Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) and fee is paid to MADD to help fund its operations: 09/02

Magistrate:

Accepting “government rate” discount for ticket to legal aid organization’s annual gala: 13/12

Attending training session of Salvation Army: 12/31

Candidate for judicial office using title “Magistrate” in campaign ads: 06/16 (Election)

Judge serving as litigant-paid special magistrate in circuit in which senior judge presides: 16/18

Presiding over Marchman Act proceedings in which attorney represented magistrate’s brother-in-law in previous Marchman Act case: 17/21

Traffic hearing officer running for county judge: 08/08

Mandated Dissolution of Marriage Programs:

Legal question: 92/20

Marriage Counselors:

Lists in judge’s office: 91/30

Marriages: (see Wedding Ceremony)

Martindale-Hubbell:

Advertising in: 95/26

Rating attorneys for: 73/15

Media: (see also Social Media)

Appearing in video discussing technological development pioneered by judge’s circuit, which will be shown at technology conference and on technology company’s website: 14/06
Broadcast of criminal arraignments and contract with television network: 11/18
Comment on specific newspaper questions pertaining to legalization of drugs: 92/9
Hosting classic music program for commercial radio station: 14/03
Internet company providing family law information: 07/21
Produce, broadcast radio show on divorce and family law for pay: 91/15
Response to criticism of judge’s conduct: 90/8
Response to newspaper questions on hearing over which judge presided: 00/30

Mediation:

Child support hearing officer serving as mediator: 98/22
Father, mediator: 89/21
Judge remaining certified circuit court mediator: 06/05
General magistrate working on weekends and days off as family mediator in adjoining county: 10/26
Judge seeking to be trained as private mediator: 96/7, affirmed by 97/5, but see In re Code of Judicial Conduct, Canon 5F, No. 90,541 (Fla., June 12, 1997) (amends Canon 5F to permit judges to be trained as certified mediators)
Law clerk as arbitrator: 00/13
Mayor’s task force on mortgage fraud: 08/01
Mediation firm sending out announcement that judge is joining firm, while judge is still in office: 10/35
Mediation group displaying senior judge mediator’s image on ads and on website: 11/11 overruled by 141 So. 3d 1172 (Fla. 2014)
Mediation or arbitration team, service by judge: 88/4
Mediator not entitled to opinion: 90/6
Mediator recommendation by judge: 88/4, 08/01
Planning council fund-raising for university: 08/01
Presiding over case in which judge previously provided mediation services: 14/02
Presiding over case in which a party is represented by a lawyer to whom judge provided mediation services when judge was in private practice: 14/02

Private mediator, judge as: 02/01

Public announcement of retired judge’s mediation services: 93/3

Retired judge advertising mediation services: 07/12

Retired judge advertising, or advertising certification, as mediator: 93/63, 95/26

Retired judge in association with law firm: 91/24, 95/26

Retired judge providing mediation services through office of non-practicing attorney: 93/6

Retired judge providing mediation services through office of practicing attorney: 93/6

Retired judge serving as mediator: 93/3

Senior judge arbitrating or mediating cases arising out of appeals from circuit in which senior judge presides: 15/08, 17/07

Senior judge mediating in cases arising out of appeals outside circuit in which senior judge presides: 15/15

Senior judge presiding over trial in same circuit where judge provides mediation services in same type of cases: 09/10

Senior judge serving as mediator in cases pending in U.S. district court or bankruptcy court located in state judicial circuit in which senior judge presides: 14/21

Senior judge/personal injury mediator assigned to corporate dissolution trial: 94/48

Spouse, mediator: 88/10

Memberships: (see also Director or Board of Directors)

ABA: 93/5

Ad hoc team interviewing final candidates for county attorney position: 04/19

Adam Walsh Child Resource Center: 91/14

Advisory board for internet company providing family law information: 07/21

Advisory board for local law enforcement block grants program: 97/24
Advisory board of juvenile detention center: 94/4
Advisory board of private court reporting school: 95/10
Advisory board of professional publication: 01/07
Advisory committee for Adopt-A-Cop program: 92/47
Advisory Council of Women’s Business Development Center: 93/66
Advisory role in nonprofit cultural organization that takes public positions on pending legislation: 17/18
Advocacy groups: 91/22
Affordable housing advisory board: 06/23
Alcohol, Drug Abuse and Mental Health (ADA) Planning Council: 85/10, 88/24, 88/30
Alumni association: 78/9
American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers: 80/8
American Board of Trial Advocates: 95/46, 03/02
American Israel Public Affairs Committee: 01/13
Anti-Defamation League Civil Rights Committee: 94/13
Anti-Defamation League Executive Committee: 94/13
Apothecary Board of Visitors at Florida A & M University: 90/28
Bar association endorsing judicial candidates: 01/15
B’nai B’rith: 85/11 recedes from 85/4
B’nai B’rith International: 91/14
Board of directors of charitable organization: 94/8, 99/17
Board of directors of DUI countermeasure school: 93/23, 97/31
Board of directors of legislative committee: 97/19
Board of directors of mental health center: 93/40
Board of directors of non-profit organization designed to inspire excellence in leadership: 04/26
Board of directors of non-profit organization serving needs of blind persons: 04/26
Board of directors of organization providing prepaid legal service plans: 99/20
Board of directors of police officer assistant trust: 94/15
Board of directors of public policy institute: 03/17
Board of overseers of college: 94/15
Board of trustees for branch campus of state university: 07/08
Board of trustees of country day school: 78/5
Board member, hospice: 06/28
Chairman, board of governors of medical center: 94/02
Children’s commission: 01/16
Children’s services council: 97/20
City council’s advisory commission on alcohol and tobacco: 94/19
City’s agricultural fair association: 92/21
Civic organization’s ways and means committee: 89/16
Collins Center for Public Policy: 00/09
Committee interviewing and recommending high school seniors for admission to national military academies: 93/42
Committee to distribute net income of charitable trust: 91/16
Complimentary in club: 74/9
Council on Aging: 75/27
County Criminal Justice Commission: 97/20
County fire board: 99/11
County ombudsman committee: 76/25
County’s affordable housing advisory board: 06/23
County’s charter county committee: 92/24
County’s public policy institute: 06/23
County’s women’s political caucus: 93/50
Criminal justice advisory board: 87/20
Development board for parochial school: 92/6
District planning council: 73/4, 88/30 recedes from 85/10, 88/24, 88/30
Domestic violence task force: 94/38, 95/13, 01/14
Elks Club: 94/47
Executive committee, local bar association: 98/18
Florida Bar Board of Governors: 04/34
Florida Bar Civil Procedure Rules Committee: 99/20
Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency: 03/11
Florida Highway Patrol Auxiliary: 06/29
Fraternal organization: 94/47
Gender-based organization: 85/15, 92/3, 94/38, 94/47
Governing board, local United Way organization: 98/2
Governmental advisory committees that review funding proposals: 93/39
Governmental commission on Marriage and Family Support Initiatives: 04/12
Gun club that requires membership in NRA: 09/13
Honorary advisory board of directors of beach resort: 93/61
Honorary judicial member on joint medical and trial lawyer committee: 93/4
Honorary membership to public officials: 83/5, 84/4, 90/28, 97/27
Hospital board: 91/25, 91/32
Human rights advocacy committee: 75/32
Jewish Fraternal Organization for persons involved in law enforcement: 91/3
Jewish society for employees/former employees of public safety organization: 89/21
Jockey Club, The: 90/28
Junior League: 14/15
Juvenile Justice Board: 94/31
Kiwanis Club: 00/25
Lobbying group: 01/13
Local land trust council or committee: 93/33
Mayor’s charter revision committee: 82/11
Mayor’s task force on mortgage fraud: 08/01
Mayor’s victims’ assistance advisory council: 98/26
Mediator recommendation by judge: 08/01
Mental health center: 74/16, 75/2, 75/5
Mental health task force: 98/6
Military academy selection committee: 06/04
National Institution of Corrections: 87/20
Non-partisan civic group that engages in fund-raising: 14/15
Non-profit civic organization: 02/17
Non-profit promoting merit retention: 99/24
Parent-Teacher Organization: 94/41
Partners in Crisis: 99/21
Planning council fund-raising for university: 08/01
Police Chiefs Association: 92/5
Police sergeant promotion committee: 93/20
Political action committee: 02/14, 13/20
President of non-profit organization promoting women in positions of leadership: 04/26
Public affairs organization that is non-profit and nonpartisan: 04/06
Rotary Club: 87/10, 01/09

School Advisory Council for public school: 16/11

Serving on local county ethics commission for purpose of establishing code of ethics for county commission: 09/06

Social clubs: 92/3

Social organization: 89/21, 90/28

SUNPAC: 13/20

Task force implementing legislation: 99/12

Task force on youth gangs: 00/05

Task force to control drugs and crime: 89/14

Taxation and Budget Reform Commission: 07/03

Tiger Bay Club: 95/1 recedes from 92/28, 95/3

Victims’ advocacy groups: 01/14

Victims’ rights organization: 98/8

Voluntary bar association: 98/31, 01/15

Volunteer, county domestic violence task team: 06/28

Volunteer member and officer of board of directors of non-profit rural health clinic: 06/28

Volunteer on county sheriff’s sexual assault response team: 06/28

Volunteering on sheriff’s department’s mounted unit in county within judge’s circuit: 06/28

Waiver/reduction of membership fee: 78/17

Women in distress: 91/22

Mentor:

Retired judge eligible for temporary judicial duty working with law firm: 12/10
Merit Retention:

Membership/participation in organization promoting: 99/24
Public versus private support or contributions for another judge: 90/3
Qualifying fee: 78/11
Solicitation and acceptance of contributions: 78/11
Speaking and writing on: 76/16, 90/10

Military:

Air Force reserve officer: 75/3
Military affairs and justice: 75/3
National Guard, circuit judge called to active duty: 74/16

Mock Trial:

Of pending litigation: 88/28
Presiding over mock trial used for education police officers about court and courtroom procedure: 18/01

Moderator:

On panel re: status of law: 77/7

Mortgages:

Investment in: 73/9
Judge owns residential mortgages and receives income from rental properties: 11/02
Judge’s former law partners are judge’s mortgagors: 91/26
Mayor’s task force on mortgage fraud: 08/01
Mediator recommendation by judge: 08/01
Planning council fund-raising for university: 08/01
Municipal Judge:

Application of code to: 73/14

Name of Judge:

Advertising campaign to promote higher education: 97/28
As author of book: 82/5
Building named after: 94/36
Titles, speeches, or stationery: 81/4, 81/8, 82/1, 87/21, 88/4
Used on commission stationery: 81/4

National Guard:

Officer: 74/16
Staff judge advocate: 74/6

Nominations:

Attorney for award: 91/18, 99/18
Judge for award: 91/18
Of persons as delegates to ABA: 01/01 recedes from 79/6

Nonpartisan:

Event where judge’s spouse, candidate for elected partisan office, is speaking: 17/16 (Election)
Meeting: 74/11, 75/21, 76/16
Rally, contribution: 88/23

Non-Profit Corporation/Organization:

Board of directors: 95/34, 99/20, 11/19, 14/15, 15/11
Chair of educational non-profit organization: 11/05
Contributions to: 14/15
Director: 79/1
Florida Coalition Against Domestic Violence: 12/31
Functions, attendance at: 14/15
Fund-raising: 02/18
Home health: 75/31
Honorary chair of bench-bar tennis tournament: 10/24
Judge serving as officer: 03/01
Officer: 89/12, 15/12
Organizing non-profit promoting merit selection: 99/24
President: 94/11, 02/17
President of advisory committee: 89/18
Public service announcement on behalf of: 00/15, 11/04
Salvation Army: 12/31
Solicitation for donations to reward probationers’ good behavior: 07/18
Soliciting funds for scholarship named for judge: 03/05
Spouse: 76/23

Notice:

Posted listing ownership: 10/25 recedes from 90/9

Oaths:

Retired judge taking oaths: 93/3
Officer:

For-profit corporation: 97/35
Non-profit charitable organization: 89/18
President of non-profit organization promoting women in positions of leadership: 04/26
President or vice-president of local chapter of American Board of Trial Advocacy: 10/03
Serving as officer of alumni association of public university: 09/04

Oral Argument:

Before another court: 77/2

Ordinary Social Hospitality:

Accepting invitation to hunt with former litigant’s spouse on land former litigant’s family controls: 08/19

Panel Moderator:

Regarding status of law: 77/7

Parenting:

Helpline sponsored by nonprofit organization: 11/04

Parole and Probation Commission:

Character information: 75/22, 77/17, 82/15, 84/14
Chief judge responding to inquiry by, without personal knowledge of case: 02/04
Judge who recused self responding to Commission’s request for input on defendant's request for waiver of rules of executive clemency: 04/13

Participation: (see also Memberships)

American Inn of Court award competition that includes contribution to charity of winners’ choice: 10/32
Bar association functions: 00/14, 15/05
Charity auction: 01/09
Charity fashion show, announcing raffle winners: 98/32
Charity tea prior to auction: 00/31
Church sponsored “Candidates’ Night” event: 98/24
Domestic violence task force: 94/38, 95/14, 01/14
Email forum: 01/02
Establishment of county community justice coalition: 98/9
Fashion show to raise money for free childcare facility in courthouse and scholarship program for law students in need: 14/07
Fund-raiser held by sheriff of county in which judge holds office: 07/04
Fund-raisers held by other community organizations: 07/04
Fund-raising Bench and Bar Professionalism Seminar: 99/27
Fund-raising for child’s school (concession stand): 05/07 recedes from 00/17
In law firm’s litigation retreat: 03/03
In mock trial of pending litigation: 88/28
In panel discussion on problem of underage drinking for MADD: 06/17
Internet company providing family law information: 07/21
Legal educational seminar: 99/27, 07/09, 10/27
Lobbying group: 01/13
Local county education assembly: 96/22
Mayor’s task force on mortgage fraud: 08/01
Mediator recommendation by judge: 08/01
Non-profit organization promoting merit retention: 99/24
Not-for-profit corporation: 00/09
Planning council fund-raising for university: 08/01

Question and answer forum sponsored by partisan group: 98/17

Radio show: 91/5, 00/16, 14/03

Signing task force resolution: 99/12

Victims’ rights organization: 98/8, 01/14

Walk/run fund-raiser for bar association pro bono project: 15/05

Walk-a-thon fundraiser for charitable organization: 10/14 (Election), 10/15

**Partisan:** (see also Political, Canon 7)

Activities meetings: 74/2, 74/3, 84/8, 90/16

Award acceptance: 88/2

Candidate’s public representation regarding connections to political party: 00/16, 02/13 (Elections)

Endorsing partisan political candidate by displaying signs in and on private property: 06/11

Explain courts: 84/8, 87/16, 88/9, 97/30

Interview by political party to obtain endorsement: 98/19

Speech by judge at partisan meeting: 07/20

**Partner:**

Expert witness is judge’s former fiancé who leases office space from his partnership: 08/03

In industrial park: 76/1

With doctor: 74/8

With lawyer: 76/20

**Part-Time:**

Child support hearing officer practicing family law in another county: 98/12
Employment, teaching law: 73/17

Hearing officer practicing in own court: 95/8

Hearing officer serving as mediator: 98/22

Judge, applicability of code to: 73/14

Municipal judge, practice before courts: 73/16

Officer, for-profit corporation: 97/35

Pro bono evening family law hearing officer: 02/03

Traffic magistrate maintaining county court practice in another county: 97/23, 00/32, 00/35

Payment:

Accepting payment for expenses incurred while presiding over depositions conducted in foreign country: 06/22

Fees earned during practice of law: 06/31

For interest in former law firm: 00/34a recedes from 74/4

Internet company providing family law information: 07/21

Reimbursement of expenses for judge’s seminar on law regarding elections: 07/15

Solicitation for donations to reward probationers’ good behavior: 07/18

Pending Proceeding:

Broadcast of criminal arraignments and contract with television network: 11/18

Speaking about trial the result of which is being appealed: 11/16

Personal Solicitation:

Direct solicitation of voluntary bar associations: 12/04

Directly soliciting local banks and businesses for support of financial literacy program: 11/13

Funds for educational, religious, or charitable organization: 73/11, 19/10
Judge as own campaign treasurer: 72/1
Mayor’s task force on mortgage fraud: 08/01
Mediator recommendation by judge: 08/01
Planning council fund-raising for university: 08/01
Solicitation for donations to reward probationers’ good behavior: 07/18
Solicitation of funds for “financial literacy” program: 11/13
Support and endorsement of public officials and citizens in the community: 10/14 (Election), 17/14 (Election)
Taped interview for local boys club: 76/8

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Florida Supreme Court to review The Florida Bar dues structure: 80/16
For proposed constitutional amendment banning gill netting in state waters: 94/05
For victims to be honored on postage stamp: 98/7
To electoral officials requesting that party candidates for president and vice president be placed on Florida general election ballot: 84/8

Picture:

Appearance in family photograph to be used in spouse’s political campaign: 07/13, 17/16 (Election)
Attending meet-and-greet functions for spouse’s nonpartisan candidacy for public office: 07/13
Of candidate accepting award from Florida Supreme Court: 10/18 (Election)
Of candidate in robe: 80/10
Of candidate with legislator spouse: 98/19
Of judge in advertisement for legal seminar: 87/3
Of judge in advertisement for mediation services: 11/11
Of judge in alumni association brochure: 78/9
Of judge in college advertising campaign: 97/28
Of judge in high school football program: 77/16
Of judge in judicial robe for use in public relations campaign for county library system: 07/07
Of judge in spouse’s campaign literature: 90/7
Of judge, use of photograph in judicial robes in government official’s campaign literature: 92/40
Posing with pastor and elected officials at church “God and Country Day”: 13/23
President, non-profit organization: 89/12, 89/18
Promotional materials for DHSMV child safety campaign: 01/03
Retired judge running for circuit judgeship: 08/10 (Election)

Political, Canon 7:

Accepting assistance from political party in gathering petition signatures: 06/08
Active opposition: 92/19, 94/10
Active opposition, campaigning prior to: 76/15
Active opposition, notifying Secretary of State: 93/47
Activism, religious organization: 75/26
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Advocating handgun control: 93/64
Advocating position on proposed constitutional amendments: 98/14
Advertising including photos of judge candidate with elected and non-elected officers and colleagues: 08/11 (Election)
Advertising including photos of judge with jurors and unsolicited letters from jurors complimenting judge: 08/11 (Election)
Appearance and speech before political group by nominee for appointment by governor: 93/13
Appearance at political forum with nonpartisan judicial candidates and other candidates of the party: 88/18, 90/22, 94/42

Appearance at political function to discuss function of courts: 84/8, 87/16, 88/9

Appearance before partisan political group to thank them: 91/19, 97/30

Appearance of affiliation with political party: 12/13 (Election)

Attendance at partisan political club meet-and-greet: 06/15 (Election)

Attendance at partisan political club meeting or holiday party: 17/25 (Election)

Attendance at event sponsored by political party at which all candidates in that judicial race have been invited to speak: 14/08

Attendance, by judge facing re-election, at non-partisan political rally fund-raiser for Chamber: 15/13

Attendance at political party function if opponent does not accept invitation to attend function: 03/13

Attending anti-discrimination political organization fund-raiser: 02/16 (Elections)

Attending campaign victory party: 12/03 (Election)

Attending community sponsored, nonpartisan function to listen to candidates’ speeches: 06/25

Attending meet-and-greet functions sponsored by nonpartisan groups and using campaign funds to pay admission and table fees: 04/27

Attending nonpartisan function that is sponsored by neighborhood that is not fund-raiser, and to which all candidates for same judicial seat are not included: 04/28 (Election)

Attending nonpartisan political rally: 96/19, 06/19 (Election), 15/13

Attending NRA fund-raiser: 00/22 (Election)

Attending political party functions: 04/21 (Election)

Blanket invitation in political party newsletter: 03/13

Campaign activities: 90/16, 96/20, 99/26

Campaign ad includes spouse who holds political office: 06/13 (Election)

Campaign fund-raising letter from judge’s parents: 08/09 (Election)
Campaign funds to pay filing fees: 92/27

Campaign literature: 84/17, 90/17, 98/19, 99/26, 02/12 (Elections)

Campaign manager attending partisan political meetings: 96/20

Campaign speech expressing views: 78/6, 78/7, 02/13 (Elections)

Campaign speech on disputed legal or political issues: 92/42, 02/13 (Elections)

Candidate questionnaire: 94/34, 96/21

Candidate serving as pro bono advisor to local political party executive committee prior to formal qualifying period: 06/08

Candidate’s position on death penalty: 94/26

Candidate’s service on nominating committee of Florida Public Service Commission: 94/23

Candidates traveling together: 11/20 (Election)

Club meeting, attend and speak or be introduced: 77/21, 83/13, 85/9

Conduct of opponent: 84/16, 89/20

Constitutional amendment: 98/14

Contribution by spouse to campaign of state representative: 84/19

Criticism of opponent: 84/18, 90/18, 94/16

Dinner for vice president of U.S. and fund-raising: 74/2

Disclosure that lawyer serves on judge’s campaign committee: 07/17

Endorsement of political candidate: 87/23, 00/16, 06/11

Endorsing judicial candidates by mailing brochures of three judicial candidates in one envelope: 04/29 (Election)

Expression of views: 78/3, 78/14, 85/9, 94/14, 98/19, 99/6, 02/13 (Elections), 04/09 (Election)

Fair, participation in: 74/11

Fee for costs of nonpartisan rally: 96/19

Hiring partisan political candidate running for different office or executive officer of
partisan political party as campaign manager/consultant: 08/16 (Election)

Judge’s campaign website referring to and facilitating giving of campaign contributions: 08/11 (Election), 14/04

Lawyers sponsoring reception for judges up for election: 93/62

Letter to senators regarding president’s impeachment trial: 99/6

Limited campaign activities: 92/19

Lobbying: 84/13, 94/31

Master of ceremonies at candidates’ forum: 96/17

Materials depicting judge candidate wearing robe: 08/11 (Election)

Meeting, speaker: 75/25, 87/16

Membership, American Israel Public Affairs Committee: 01/13

Membership, bar association planning to solicit contributions on behalf of PAC: 98/31

Membership, county’s women’s political caucus: 93/50

Membership in Tiger Bay Club: 95/1 recedes from 92/28

Moderator, televised political program: 90/22

Negative publicity from local newsletter constitutes active opposition: 94/10

Nonpartisan rally, contribution: 88/23

Organization, officer: 82/3

Participating in opinion survey: 04/24 (Election)

Party, attendance or purchase of tickets to attend: 79/10, 83/13, 84/8

Patriots or Tea Party Patriots: 10/19 (Election)

Personal solicitation by judicial candidate: 72/1, 73/11, 76/15

Political activities of spouse: 84/19, 87/22, 90/7, 94/21

Political activity by judicial law clerks: 93/45

Political party meeting, attend and speak: 74/3, 75/25, 90/22
Political party meeting, attend but not speak: 02/08 (Elections)

Promises of conduct in office: 78/15, 84/18

Publicly endorsing another candidate for public office: 04/30 (Election)

Publishing information from public officials about health of incumbent judge against whom inquiring judicial candidate plans to run: 04/25

Radio talk show, hosting: 00/16

Receipt of award at political party meeting: 88/2

Receiving and publishing endorsement for election from senior assistant county attorney and municipal code enforcement special master/magistrate: 08/12 (Election)

Representation of qualifications: 84/17

Responding to questionnaire: 06/18 (Election)

Retired judge running for circuit judgeship: 08/10 (Election)

Serving as board member of local community children’s alliance: 05/09

Serving as celebrity waiter/server at breakfast for local community children’s alliance: 05/09

Serving on board or as presenter at symposium of child advocacy center: 05/09

Serving on committee concerning family violence and its reduction: 05/09

Serving on committees or organizations chaired by elected officials, possibly in their election year: 05/09

Signing Cuban American Judicial Election Campaign Pledge: 08/14 (Election)

Speaking about court system to local women’s Republican club: 93/7

Speaking about proposed constitutional amendments: 98/14

Speaking at public meeting sponsored by United We Stand: 94/27

Speech by judge at partisan meeting: 07/20

Speech regarding judicial system and need for new court building: 88/9

Speech supporting bond issue for criminal justice system: 86/15

Sponsoring a table at political party event at which all candidates in that judicial race
have been invited to speak: 14/08

Spouse as candidate: 90/7

Spouse hosting campaign event for candidate at home of judge and spouse: 11/10

Standing outside of political party function: 03/13

Support of special taxing district: 90/24

Supporting judge in merit retention race: 90/13

Television campaign commercials: 94/35

Traffic magistrate making political contributions: 94/8, 03/09

Unannounced judicial candidate serving on incumbent judge’s campaign: 94/20

Use of endorsement from elected partisan official: 06/21 (Election), 06/24 (Election)

Use of endorsement of partisan candidate unsuccessful in recent primary: 06/24 (Election)

Use of endorsement of retired judge: 06/24 (Election)

Use of photograph of candidate in judicial robe in campaign literature: 06/16 (Election), 18/14 (Election)

Use of photograph of judge in judicial robes in government official’s campaign literature: 92/40

Use of term “part-time law professor” in campaign literature: 06/16 (Election)

Using facilities of political party: 02/13 (Elections)

Volunteer workers wearing badges supporting candidate and handing out literature at political party function: 03/13

Writing letters of support for different organizations: 05/09

**Post Trial Comments:**

To or discussion with jurors: 89/13

**Practice of Law, Canon 5G:**

Amicus brief: 76/26
Child support hearing officer practicing family law in another county: 98/12

Child support hearing officer practicing in same circuit and county where officer presides: 02/21

Child support hearing officer practicing non-family law: 00/32

Distribution of brochure entitled, “Family Law Division, Pro Se Pointers”: 93/8

Fee earned as practitioner: 86/7, 89/1, 95/11

Free legal services as contemplated by proposed pro bono implementation rules: 93/14

General master voluntarily representing state agency in adoption cases: 99/1

Judge disbursing trust (IOTA) funds to former clients: 05/08

Judge discussing former clients’ pending cases with judge’s former law partner who accepted many of these cases: 05/19

Judge discussing former clients with clients’ new lawyers: 05/19

Judge, former assistant state attorney meeting with current state attorney to discuss judge’s former case: 06/12

Judge responding to letter from former client, informing that judge can no longer practice law or intervene, but enclosing copies of file documents client might find helpful: 13/11

Judge signing title insurance policy: 06/01

Juvenile dependency hearing officer practicing law: 00/36

Make oral argument: 77/2

Panel moderator: 77/7

Part-time municipal judge: 73/16

Pre-investiture practice of law: 88/29

Private mediator: 02/01

Probate estate: 83/3

Pro bono evening family hearing officers: 02/03

Real estate closing: 83/3

Retired judge not subject to recall for judicial service: 05/18
Serving as officer of deceased spouse’s solo P.A. to file corporate report as part of closing practice: 15/07

Traffic magistrate practicing law in other courts: 93/35, 93/36, 93/37, 97/23, 00/32, 00/35

Traffic magistrate’s associate representing DUI defendants: 98/23

Unlicensed practice, sanctions for: 94/46

President:

American Board of Trial Advocacy local chapter: 10/03

Non-profit organization: 89/12, 89/18, 04/26

Prestige of Judicial Office: (see also Lending Prestige of Office)

74/9, 74/14, 75/6, 01/09 recedes from 75/11, 76/8, 77/5, 78/9, 01/01 recedes from 79/6, 81/4, 82/5, 83/13, 84/14, 90/24, 91/5, 93/61, 94/33, 94/36, 94/39, 94/43, 94/45, 96/23 recedes from 95/24, 97/16, 97/29, 97/32, 99/5, 99/15, 99/18, 03/16, 06/14

Accepting “government rate” discount for ticket to legal aid organization’s annual gala: 13/12

Accepting “Spirit of Excellence” Government Leader of the Year Award from organization that provides business training and networking opportunities for women: 10/33

Appearance in family photograph to be used in spouse’s political campaign: 07/13

Attending and receiving award at event which is fund-raiser for organization mainly involved in domestic and international education programs: 09/07

Attending meet-and-greet functions for spouse’s nonpartisan candidacy for public office: 07/13

Directly soliciting local banks and businesses for support of financial literacy program: 11/13

Expression of views regarding proposed constitutional amendment: 78/3, 98/14

Mediation group displaying senior judge mediator’s image or availability in ads and on website: 11/11; 19/05

Purchasing advertisement that congratulates award recipient when advertisement would appear in program materials distributed at fund-raising luncheon for Anti-Defamation
League and advertisement would include judge’s name: 08/23

Requiring DUI probationers to pay for and attend victim impact panel course presented by Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) and fee is paid to MADD to help fund its operations: 09/02

Retired judge running for circuit judgeship: 08/10 (Election)

Probate:

Ancillary administrator: 73/3

Estate auction, bid: 88/27

Probationer:

Requiring attending AA: 93/60

Requiring DUI probationers to pay for and attend victim impact panel course presented by MADD and fee is paid to MADD to help fund its operations: 09/02

Property:

Beneficiary of land trust with former law partners: 07/02

Clearing land title as sole trustee of dissolved corporation: 86/4

Land purchase: 74/5

Land sale: 73/7, 90/1

Leaseholder: 94/43

Owned with general partnership: 81/2

Owned with lawyer-partner: 76/20

Rent room to non-relative on community control: 10/01

Rent to public defender: 87/17

Sale of building: 86/1
Public Comment:

Broadcast of criminal arraignments and contract with television network: 11/18

Judge who is candidate commenting on conduct and actions in pending legal proceeding of opponent: 04/18 (Election)

Proposed changes to rules of procedure: 19/04

Public religious comments at church function: 13/23

Speaking about trial the result of which is being appealed: 11/16

Public Confidence:

Permitting court-established elder justice program to provide to public list of attorneys available to represent laypersons serving as guardians in guardianship proceedings: 08/24

Spouse is supervisor of state attorney’s office: 11/21 recedes from 77/12 and 77/04

Public Defender:

Business dealings with: 87/17

Cases involving public defender’s office where son-in-law is candidate for office of public defender: 00/11

Conflict, duties as traffic magistrate and assistant public defender: 92/48

Disqualification, assistant public defender announces intent to run against judge: 93/47

Family member is assistant public defender: 77/4, 76/12, 10/36 recedes from 91/17, 12/32

Judge, former assistant public defender, hearing violation of community control cases: 92/36

Spouse elected as: 01/05

Spouse, in practice with: 87/11

Public Support:

Changing street name to that of deceased judge: 95/43
Creation of special taxing district for child welfare: 90/24

Increased funding to aid indigent in accessing courts: 95/42

Publications:

Advertising: 76/17

Alumni association, picture of judge used to promote membership: 78/9

Article commending those involved in high profile trial: 94/25

Article in Spanish language: 73/8

Article on constitutionality of new legislation: 00/02

Autographing book by judge: 89/6

Book or treatise by judge: 76/17, 77/5, 82/5, 88/14

Book preface: 75/5, 77/5

Brochure on task force on youth gangs: 00/05

Campaign speech expressing views: 78/6

Co-author of continuing legal education publication: 93/52

College newspaper photo and article: 80/4

Court system brochure: 73/18

Editorial board of legal publication: 90/5

Expression of views regarding proposed constitutional amendment: 78/3

Football program, picture of judge and donation: 77/16

Internet company providing family law information: 07/21

Letter encouraging foundation grants: 79/11

Manual co-authored with lawyer: 78/12

Newspaper column: 77/21, 95/37, 99/14

Professional reference journal on criminal justice and mentally ill persons: 01/07
Retired judge running for circuit judgeship: 08/10 (Election)

Sale, gift, or autograph of book by judge: 89/6

Sale of book by publisher: 83/7

Speeches titled “Crime” and “The Right to Bear Arms”: 87/21

Use of title “judge” in publication: 87/21

**Purchase:**

From supervised estate: 76/5

Of acreage: 74/5

**Quasi-Judicial Activity:**

Assisting in planning education program sponsored by Department of Children and Families: 08/21

Attending guardian ad litem program’s annual holiday party: 06/06

Attending legal seminars sponsored by criminal defense lawyers association or equivalent prosecution group: 05/13

Blog concerning Florida appellate court opinions: 12/07

Broadcast of criminal arraignments and contract with television network: 11/18

Compensation for: 75/1

Educational/trial skills course at program sponsored by Department of Children and Families: 08/21

Internet company providing family law information: 07/21

Judge-elect serving on The Florida Bar Board of Governors: 04/34

Mayor’s task force on mortgage fraud: 08/01

Mediator recommendation by judge: 08/01

Participating in law firm’s litigation retreat: 03/03

Participating in panel discussion on problem of underage drinking for MADD: 06/17
Planning council fund-raising for university: 08/01

Presiding over mock trial used for educating police officers about court and courtroom procedure: 18/01

Providing items for county sheriff fund-raiser that are identifiable as made by judge: 07/04

Providing items for fund-raisers held by other community organizations that are identifiable as made by judge: 07/04

Reimbursement of expenses for judge’s seminar on law regarding elections: 07/15

Retired judge advertising mediation services: 07/12

Senior judge announcing via website availability to serve: 00/10

Service as administrator in Florida Highway Patrol Auxiliary: 06/29

Solicitation for donations to defray costs of legal brochure printing and distribution: 12/04

Solicitation for donations to reward probationers’ good behavior: 07/18

Speaking at fund-raising dinner for drug court: 08/17

Speaking to civic and community groups about the Constitutional Revision Commission: 17/15

Speaking to community groups regarding dangers of online predators: 06/30

Speech by judge at partisan meeting: 07/20

Sponsoring hole at YLS charity golf tournament: 11/15

Teaching at local community college in police academy: 05/11

Teaching on national network that is broadcasting judge’s criminal arraignments: 11/18

Unopposed incumbent judicial candidate speaking to League of Women Voters and NAACP regarding court funding under article V, revision 7: 03/23

Use of term “quasi-judicial experience” in campaign literature: 00/24 (Election)

**Questionnaires:**

Participating in opinion survey: 04/24 (Election)
Regarding constitutional and statutory views: 06/18 (Election)
Regarding disputed issues: 80/13
Regarding past partisan political activities: 96/21

Rating:
Attorneys for legal directories: 73/15

Real Estate:
Beneficiary of land trust with former law partners: 07/02
Corporation, director of: 73/13
License: 90/11
Mortgages, investment in lands outside circuit: 73/9
Sale or lease of property: 90/1, 93/49, 97/33, 01/11, 07/10
Title held as trustee: 74/7

Recommendation:
Disbarred attorney: 88/19
Law clerk: 88/26
Support of judicial nominee: 91/4

Recusal:
Acceptance of out of state trip with attorney eight to nine years ago: 09/01
Acquaintance with crime victim: 93/55
Attorney appearing before judge considering running against judge: 18/03
Attorney appearing before judge served as judge’s campaign treasurer: 04/01
Attorney as creditor: 85/8
Attorney as tenant: 85/8, 91/1, 97/33, 07/10
Attorney consulted but not retained: 13/02

Attorney dated judge: 99/2

Attorney is member of judicial nominating commission: 97/14

Attorney is spouse of attorney representing judge: 11/17

Attorney representing judge in private litigation: 99/13 recedes from 79/2

Attorneys doing business with spouse: 90/13

Attorneys represented opposing party in prior personal lawsuit against judge: 97/12

Attorneys to whom judge referred cases: 91/8; 15/10; 15/10; 19/07

Bank as landlord: 90/25

Bank stock: 10/25 recedes from 89/5

Before political group by nominee for appointment by governor: 03/10 recedes from 93/12

Beneficial interest in land trust: 89/2

Bias versus police officer’s credibility: 87/4

Business partner: 82/12

Business partner in firm: 82/12

Cases involving crimes for which brother is currently being prosecuted: 97/21

Chief assistant state attorney is opposing candidate: 94/28

Child, as public defender: 76/12

Child, associate of law firm: 85/2, 98/20

Child, practicing attorney: 91/1, 98/20

Children of divorcing judge, pending litigation regarding: 02/05

Co-owning property with attorney was convicted of conspiring to bribe other judge: Attorney, co-owner of real property: 85/16

County as tenant: 85/8

Defeated political opponent as attorney: 84/23
Deputy commissioner of department: 80/3

Disclosure that lawyer serves on judge’s campaign committee: 07/17

Employer of spouse: 78/24

Expert witness is judge’s former fiancé who leases office space from his partnership: 08/03

Family member is shareholder in corporation: 87/12

Family member brought Engle Progeny suit against tobacco company in same judicial circuit: 16/04

Former law firm: 74/4 receded from in 00/34a, 77/7, 77/11, 00/34a recedes from 78/16, 78/19, 86/7

Future law firm, advance payment to judge: 77/18

Ill-will between judge and assistant state attorney: 08/04

Judge and attorney are owners of condominium and attorney is godfather to judge’s child: 93/27

Judge and state attorney co-own fishing trailer: 01/11

Judge, beneficiary of land trust with former law partners: 07/02

Judge is attorney’s former law clerk: 01/06

Judge is limited partner in partnership that owns unimproved real estate and other limited partners are attorneys: 93/48

Judge’s adult child in law firm: 08/06

Judges’ family members employed by local sheriff’s department: 07/11

Judge’s former law partners and co-beneficiaries of land trust appear as counsel: 07/02

Judge’s lawyer and law firm regularly handle cases that would come before judge: 05/15

Law clerk’s spouse employed by attorney general: 87/13

Law firm currently representing judge or spouse: 99/13, 99/25

Law firm employs attorney who dated judge: 99/2

Law firm formerly employed by Division of Risk Management to defend judge: 88/21
Law firm of which child is member: 85/2, 98/20

Law firm of which in-law is member/employee: 79/7, receded from in part by 84/24

Law firm of which nephews are members/employees: 84/24 recedes in part from 79/7

Law firm of which spouse is member: 81/01 recedes from 78/20, 92/8

Law firm pays percent of fees for prior work: 86/7

Law firm purchased one-half interest in building owned by judge: 87/24

Law firm represents spouse’s law firm: 01/17

Lawyer contributed to campaign fund: 78/7

Lawyer is joint owner of property: 82/14

Lawyer is judge’s first cousin: 97/13

Lawyer/partner in business: 76/20

Lawyers represented judge in suit: 86/9, 95/16

Lawyer’s spouse represents judge in unrelated civil matter: 11/17

Litigation against state: 95/18

Members of state attorney’s office adverse witnesses against judge in JQC matter: 91/12

Mortgage foreclosure cases when judge was previously defendant in foreclosure action: 15/14

Nephew employed by law firm: 84/24 recedes from 79/7

Niece’s spouse is attorney: 89/17

Partner in general partnership: 81/12, 85/14

Party files complaint with JQC: 95/20

Personal animosity between judge and litigant; judge requests recusal: 84/6

Political opponent: 84/12

Procedure: 84/12

Relative, within third degree: 88/20
Represented adverse party of attorney/litigant: 12/08

Social relationship with attorney: 89/3, 89/8, **99/02 recedes from 93/56**, 04/01

Son, employed by law firm appearing before judge: 06/26

Son-in-law employed as student law clerk: 07/16

Son’s law firm represents party in family law case and parties have child appearing before judge in delinquency case: 06/27

Spouse, assistant to director of pretrial intervention program: 84/2

Spouse, director of guardian ad litem program: 84/15

Spouse, elected public defender: 01/05

Spouse employed as paralegal in law firm with lawyers appearing before judge: 07/14

Spouse, employee of bonding agency: 87/8

Spouse, employee of Department of Environmental Protection: 94/3

Spouse, field representative for Treasurer/Insurance Commissioner: 84/7

Spouse has business relationship with attorney: 05/06

Spouse, Legal Aid attorney: 97/25

Spouse, manager, county-employed: 91/27

Spouse, managing attorney for dependency, HRS: 93/51

Spouse, mayor of municipality: 83/14

Spouse, mediator: 88/10

Spouse, owner of batterers’ intervention program: 98/30

Spouse, owner of company that is represented by law firm that has cases pending before judge, but none of lawyers representing company appears before judge: 18/22

Spouse, police department’s part-time employee: **05/07 recedes from 00/17**

Spouse practices with assistant public defender: 87/11

Spouse, program administrator of HRS: 90/23

Spouse, represented by law firm appearing before judge: 99/25
Spouse, represents party in unrelated matter: 99/28
Spouse, teacher (school board cases): 87/2
Spouse/child, as employee of attorney: 81/1, 82/17
Spouse/child, as employee/independent contractor with legal services: 83/10
Spouse’s law partner served as chair of Florida Bar section that filed amicus brief: 19/08
Stepson-in-law, member of law firm: 85/6
Stepson, practicing attorney: 91/1
Stock ownership: 10/25 recedes from 89/5, 90/9, 93/25, 96/13
Tenants/defendants in residential foreclosure proceeding: 12/09
Traffic magistrate renting office space from law firm handling traffic cases: 07/01
Traffic magistrate working as independent contractor with law firm that handles traffic cases: 07/01
Zoning cases after rezoning dispute: 86/3

Re-Elect:

Campaign fund-raising letter from judge’s parents: 08/09 (Election)
Disclosure that lawyer serves on judge’s campaign committee: 07/17
Used in connection with election: 76/2, 02/07 (Election)

Refer:

Domestic violence defendants to program owned/operated by county judge and/or spouse: 98/29, 98/30
DUI offenders to attend victim impact panel: 93/6
Family member is mediator: 88/10, 89/21
Juveniles to programs: 95/34
Pregnant minor to social services for adoption as alternative: 97/18
**Reference Letter**: (see Character Letter)

**Relative**: (see Family)

**Religious**:

Activities in role as president of religious organization: 19/10

Allowing attorneys to question venire about: 99/8

Attending and making public religious comments from pulpit at church’s “God and Country Day”: 13/23

Beliefs, propriety of expressing: 76/10

Presentation to church officials: 95/25

Sectarian religious views expressed at sentencing hearing: 76/10

**Remuneration**:

Accepting payment for expenses incurred while presiding over depositions conducted in foreign country: 06/22

For wedding ceremony, restrictions: 73/5, 76/3

Internet company providing family law information: 07/21

Reimbursement of expenses for judge’s seminar on law regarding elections: 07/15

**Rent**:

To attorneys: 87/17, 91/1, 97/33, 07/10

To son, practicing attorney: 91/1

**Reporting**:

Acceptance of complimentary attendance of event: 18/08

Acceptance of door prize: 85/7

Acceptance of gift certificate in recognition of retirement: 94/12
Airfare and hotel reimbursement: 99/23, 18/06

Airfare and meals provided by realtors/state in attending national convention as spouse, not as judge: 85/7, 89/9

Airline passes: 88/17

Attorney misconduct: 97/17, 98/21

Complimentary club membership: 74/9, 78/17

Complimentary dinner tickets for fund-raising event: 95/19

Contributions to defense fund: 98/11

Expense money: 77/7, 91/20

Expenses incurred to attend and speak at symposium: 91/20

Free attendance at continuing legal education course: 91/9; 18/06

Free hotel and food costs paid by lawyers association: 91/9, 99/23

Free meal at county bar association meeting: 91/9

Gifts: 89/3, 89/8, 02/20 recedes from 91/7, 91/19, 97/36, 01/10, 02/20

Gifts from bequests or estates: 94/18

Golf fee: 03/10 recedes from 93/12

Honorarium: 77/7

Income: 75/1, 75/12

Incompetent attorney: 83/8

Notary public’s alleged misconduct in case: 05/16

Party in domestic relations suit, income tax evasion: 78/4

Requirements: 75/13

Suspected child abuse: 00/03

To state attorney that party may have committed crime: 05/16, 12/11

Under chapter 74-177: 73/10, 75/13
Videotape for not-for-profit corporation: 90/19
Waiver of bar fees or dues: 18/06

**Representation:**

Of client in another court: 77/2
Of judge by county attorney: 93/58

**Reserve Military Officer:**

Conflict with duties as circuit judge: 74/6
Specific areas of participation: 75/3

**Resign-to-Run:**

Elected state office holder commencing judicial campaign: 14/05
Municipal judge: 76/11
Traffic hearing officer running for county judge: 08/08, 11/09

**Resignation:**

From social clubs: 92/3
Traffic hearing officer running for county judge: 08/08, 11/09

**Response:**

Criticism: 80/14, 85/9, 90/8

**Retain:**

Use of in connection with election: 76/2, 88/16, 02/07 (Election)

**Retired Attorney:**

Use of retired attorneys who no longer practice law to work as judicial staff attorneys:
09/03

Retired Judge:

Advertising availability to chief judges via website: 00/10
Advertising, or advertising certification, as mediator: 93/63, 95/26
As arbitrator/hearing examiner: 85/3
As board member for Innocence Project of Florida: 11/19
As guardian of estate of non-family member: 79/5
As mediator: 93/3
As mediator with law firm: 91/24, 95/26
Board member of Innocence Project of Florida: 11/19
Code not applicable if elects non-recall status: 01/04
Financial reports: 76/4
In general: 85/3
Mediating circuit cases but serving as county judge: 99/16
Mock trial: 88/28
Office space provided free of charge: 90/25
Owning interest in newspaper and managing newspaper: 06/02
Providing mediation services through office of non-practicing attorney: 93/6
Providing mediation services through office of practicing attorney: 93/6
Retired judge advertising mediation services: 07/12
Retired judge running for circuit judgeship: 08/10 (Election)
Retired judge sitting as senior judge and civil traffic infraction hearing officer in same judicial circuit: 09/05
Serving as city hearing officer: 95/33
Serving as expert witness: 05/10
Serving on local bar committee, if subject to recall: 00/28 (Election)

Testifying as expert witness: 04/37 recedes from 95/35, 05/10 recedes from 95/35

Working for Florida newspaper: 06/02

Working for non-Florida newspaper: 06/02

Working with law firm: 12/10

Writing to senators about presidential impeachment trial: 99/6

**Rezoning:**

Protest by judge/spouse: 86/3

**Sale:**

Bidding at public or private sale: 88/27

Former law office building to county: 86/1

Interest in law practice: 13/01

Property to former law partner: 73/7, 91/26

Property to governmental organization: 90/1

**Salvation Army:**

Magistrate and court staff attending Salvation Army sponsored domestic violence training: 12/31

**Self-Advertisement:**

Brochure of rights: 73/18

Retired judge advertising mediation services: 07/12

**Seminars:**

Attending and speaking at functions of plaintiffs and defense attorney groups: 00/14

Attending and speaking at U.S. Justice Department symposium on jail overcrowding:
Attending educational program designed for and attended by criminal attorneys: 98/5

Attending private organization’s seminar regarding diversity and racial equality: 17/10

Judge presenting seminar on how to present case to judge: 10/27

Judge sponsoring and organizing seminars for attorneys with monies raised going to circuit and/or to defray judicial expenses: 92/29

Law-related organizations and private law firm jointly hosting free post-seminar reception at courthouse: 17/04

Participation by judge: 87/3

Participation in Bench and Bar Professionalism seminar: 99/27

Reimbursement of expenses for judge’s seminar on law regarding elections: 07/15

**Senior Judge:** (see also Retired Judge)

Board member of homeowners’ association: 04/10

Board member of Innocence Project of Florida: 11/19

Employment part-time as insurance umpire for adjusting company: 16/22

Mediation group displaying senior judge mediator’s image or availability in ads and on website: 11/11; 19/05

Personal representative of spouse’s estate, acting as: 14/22

Presiding over trial in same circuit where judge provides mediation services in same type of cases: 09/10

Retired judge advertising mediation services: 07/12

Retired judge, senior judge and board member of non-profit organization: 11/19

Retired judge sitting as senior judge and civil traffic infraction hearing officer in same judicial circuit: 09/05

Retiring senior judge using name with designations “Honorable” and “Retired” on program for event commemorating judge’s career or on personal or mediation/legal-related stationery: 19/01

Serving as court-appointed litigant-paid independent investigator in shareholders’
derivative action outside circuit in which senior judge presides: 17/05

Serving as arbitrator or mediator in cases arising out of appeals from circuit in which senior judge presides: 15/08, 17/07

Serving as mediator in cases arising out of appeals outside circuit in which senior judge presides: 15/15

Serving as mediator in cases pending in U.S. district court or bankruptcy court located in state judicial circuit in which senior judge presides: 14/21

Serving as litigant-paid special magistrate in circuit in which senior judge presides: 16/18

Use of title “Judge” by retired senior judge judicial candidate: 08/13 (Election)

Sentence:

Requiring charitable contribution: 87/6, 84/11, 89/10

Requiring DUI probationers to pay for and attend victim impact panel course presented by MADD and fee is paid to MADD to help fund its operations: 09/02

Shareholder:

In corporation: 87/12, 94/37, 97/35

Single Member Districts:

Publicly speaking in opposition to creation of: 90/10

Social Activities:

Co-host party with attorney and businessmen: 75/29

Appearance in family photograph to be used in spouse’s political campaign: 07/13

Attending meet-and-greet functions for spouse’s nonpartisan candidacy for public office: 07/13

Social Media:

Adding connections on social or professional networking sites: 09/20, 10/06, 12/12
Blog concerning Florida appellate court opinions: 12/07

Campaign website, payment for and management of: 14/04

Candidate for judicial office adding lawyers who may appear before candidate as “friends” on social networking site: 10/05

Judge or judicial candidate hosting website or Facebook page promoting campaign: 10/28, 17/24 (Election)

Judge running for re-election creating Twitter account with open privacy setting; campaign manager creating and maintaining account: 13/14

Judicial assistant adding lawyers who may appear before judge as “friends” on social networking site: 10/04

Overseeing own campaign website or paid communications firm managing website: 14/04

Personal Facebook profile including words “Vote for [candidate’s name]”: 16/13 (Election)

Personal social networking page, disclaimer regarding significance of “friend” on: 10/06

Voluntary bar association Facebook page, judge “ friending” members of: 10/06

Solicitation:

Annual conference of National Consortium on Racial and Ethnic Fairness in the Courts, to defray costs of: 18/25

Direct solicitation of voluntary bar associations: 12/04

Directly from public on behalf of non-profit organization when identity of judge is unknown and/or disguised: 04/36

Directly soliciting used books for jail library: 16/14

Directly soliciting local banks and businesses for support of financial literacy program: 11/13

Endorsing bar association proposal seeking appointment of public guardian when endorsement will be used for fund-raising: 03/24

For charity: 76/8, 83/4, 83/11

For child’s school (concession stand): 05/07 recedes from 00/17
For church causes: 73/11
For corporation doing arbitration series: 88/4
For defense fund: 75/9
For legal aid: 00/06
For restoration of courthouse lobby: 92/4
For rewards for drug court program defendants/participants: 07/05
Garage sale at home for charity: 01/09 recedes from 75/11
Hurricane relief for judges and court staff: 18/27
Mayor’s task force on mortgage fraud: 08/01
Mediator recommendation by judge: 08/01
Non-profit organization soliciting funds for scholarship named for judge: 03/05
Of attorneys to join or contribute to legal aid: 00/06
Of donations for the homeless: 92/38, 98/16
Of funds by judges from fellow judges: 03/15
Of funds by judicial candidate: 72/1, 76/15, 95/2, 95/5, 95/6
Of in-kind donations as chairperson of circuit’s domestic violence task force: 94/33
Of jurors, advising them of donating their compensation: 97/32
Of local businesses to participate in United Way: 99/22
Of other judges to volunteer for Habitat for Humanity: 96/27
Of sponsors: 94/22
Participating in panel discussion on problem of underage drinking for MADD: 06/17
Planning council fund-raising for university: 08/01
Producing and narrating video in which judge requests help in project to restore courtroom: 05/12
Providing items for county sheriff fund-raiser that are identifiable as made by judge: 07/04
Providing items to fund-raisers held by other community organizations that are identifiable as made by judge: 07/04

Public service announcement for non-profit organization, when volunteers and contributions not expressly requested: 00/15

Serving as wait staff for charitable organization’s fund-raiser: 11/14

Support for judicial applicants: 91/28

Son: (see Family)

Spanish:

Language publication: 73/8

Speaker:

At church sponsored candidates’ night event: 98/24

At dinner honoring law enforcement and other public safety officers: 05/02

At estate planning council: 93/54

At fund-raising event: 74/14, 85/11 recedes from 85/4, 86/5, 99/15, 99/27, 01/09

At local women’s Republican club: 93/7

At partisan meeting to explain new judicial system: 74/3, 87/16, 88/9

At political party function: 03/13

At public meeting sponsored by United We Stand: 94/27

Bar association functions (plaintiffs and defense attorneys): 00/14

Before political party meeting: 75/25, 83/13, 84/8, 87/16, 88/9, 00/21 (Election)

Campaign speech expressing views: 78/6, 78/7, 78/14

Determining whether event is fund-raiser: 05/02

Interview with political party, judicial campaign: 98/19

Legal seminar: 87/3, 99/27
Nonpartisan meeting: 76/16

On behalf of establishment of children’s services council: 91/2

On behalf of non-profit organization promoting merit retention: 99/24

On behalf of own candidacy: 77/21

On television, cases judge tried: 98/28

Partisan meeting: 79/10, 97/30

Promotion of bond issue to construct criminal justice facility: 86/15

Publication of speeches: 87/21

Re dangers of online predators: 06/30

Re improvement of legal system: 81/12

Re landlord/tenant law: 82/6, 84/5

Re merit retention: 76/16, 90/10

Re single member districts: 90/10

Speech by judge at partisan meeting: 07/20

Speech:

Publish: 87/21

Speech by judge at partisan meeting: 07/20

Sponsorship:

Solicitation for donations to reward probationers’ good behavior: 07/18

Sponsoring and organizing seminars for attorneys with monies raised going to circuit and/or to defray judicial expenses: 92/29

Sponsoring investiture reception for new judge by former law firm and local attorneys: 99/3
Spouse: (see Family)

State Attorney:

Brother: 77/12

Consulting with for help in writing crime novel: 98/1

Disclosure of members of judge’s campaign committee: 08/02 (Election)

Ill-will between judge and assistant state attorney: 08/04

Joint owner of fishing trailer: 01/11

Judge, former assistant state attorney, meeting with current state attorney to discuss judge’s former case: 06/12

Judges’ family members employed by local sheriff’s department: 07/11

Preliminary probable cause finding based on sworn arrest reports: 07/19

Statement:

Services rendered while attorney: 99/4 recedes from 76/9

Stationery:

Listing on charitable organization’s letterhead judge’s name and title along with other board members’ names: 06/05

Replying to former client to inform that judge can no longer practice law: 13/11

Retiring senior judge using name with designations “Honorable” and “Retired” on program for event commemorating judge’s career or on personal or mediation/legal-related stationery: 19/01

To disclose to counsel or parties opposing attorney on judge’s committee of responsible persons: 14/09

Use of judge’s name by others: 81/4

Use of judge’s official stationery for letter of recommendation: 94/39, 94/45

Use of judge’s official stationery for letter praising law school professor’s work: 94/45

Use of judge’s official stationery on behalf of non-profit: 99/22, 99/24
Use of personal stationery in organizing group that promotes intergroup relations: 93/22

Using judge’s name on stationery used to promote services: 82/1

Using judge’s personal stationery to complain about business: 81/8

Statute:

Preliminary probable cause finding based on sworn arrest reports: 07/19

Violation by judge: 79/5

Stock Ownership:

In insurance company that underwrites bail bonds: 10/25 recedes from 90/9

Subpoena:

Judge-elect giving expert testimony at deposition pursuant to subpoena: 04/37

Non-testimonial interview of judge by lawyer about matter in which judge would be fact witness before judge is subpoenaed: 03/04

Response to by judge: 86/10, 94/40

Substantially Affected:

Financial interest: 76/14

Suit:

Judge may individually join zoning suit: 86/3

Supervised Estate:

Purchase from: 76/5

Tape Recording:

Of court proceedings: 74/1
Teaching:

At local community college in police academy: 05/11
Broadcast of criminal arraignments and contract with television network: 11/18
Criminal justice: 76/21
Educational presentation to summer law clerks of judge’s former law firm: 15/06
Educational/trial skills course at program sponsored by Department of Children and Families: 08/21
Juvenile justice: 77/14
Landlord/tenant seminar: 82/6, 84/5
Law school: 73/17, 75/28
Lectures to public on law: 83/7
Reimbursement of expenses for judge’s seminar on law regarding elections: 07/15
Religious university: 97/26
Speaking to community groups regarding dangers of online predators: 06/30
Training session for judges, magistrates, and court staff on dealing with domestic violence issues: 15-04
University business law: 81/3

Telethon:

For Boys Club: 76/8

Television:

Appearance in pilot for law-related show: 19/02
Broadcast of criminal arraignments and contract with television network: 11/18
Documentary on case judge prosecuted as assistant state attorney, which has reached final disposition: 16/03
Documentary on case judge tried, which case is pending on appeal: 98/28
Guest editorial: 81/12
Interviewer: 90/15
Moderator: 90/22

Public service announcement explaining issues and process in domestic violence division: 18/23
Public service announcement for local non-profit organization: 00/15, 11/04

**Termination:**

From former firm: 76/1

**Testimonial:**

Attendance at: 77/15, 77/20, 77/21, 96/10
Attest ing to usefulness of product: 97/29

**Testimony:**

As expert witness: 78/10, 04/37 recedes from 95/35, 05/10 recedes from 95/35, 00/37
Before The Florida Bar on behalf of son-in-law: 91/5
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Of judge as witness: 78/10
Of judge before U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee to speak in support of judicial nominee: 91/4
Of judge regarding history of statute authored previously: 79/12
Support of fee claim: 90/3
Voluntary appearance in foreign court: 99/04 recedes from 90/2

Voluntary appearance in out-of-state sentencing hearing for friend: 97/22

Voluntary statement to police conducting investigation: 03/04 recedes from 98/15, 03/04 recedes from 00/07

Title Defects:

Cure as sole trustee of dissolved corporation: 86/4

Traffic hearing officers:

Applicability of code: 02/10 (Elections)

Assistant state attorney serving as part-time traffic magistrate: 94/17

Associate attorney representing DUI defendants: 98/23

Attending local police departments citizens police academy: 00/04

Campaign for judge: 08/08, 90/17, 11/09

Civil traffic infraction hearing officer campaigning for election as county judge: 11/09

Conflict between duties as non-paid traffic magistrate and as salaried assistant county attorney: 92/14

Conflict between duties as traffic magistrate and as assistant public defender representing defendants charged with DUI: 92/48

Conflict between duties as traffic magistrate and as unpaid, part-time special assistant state attorney: 95/23

Conflict with role of auxiliary state trooper: 92/37

Contribution from partnership funds to politicians: 90/26

Duties as traffic magistrate and membership in local chambers of commerce and realtor board: 97/27 recedes from 92/15a

Effect of appointment as magistrate on partner in law firm: 90/26

Endorsing judicial candidate: 02/10 (Elections)

Experience as traffic hearing officer described as quasi-judicial in campaign: 00/24 (Election)
Expert witness: 12/38

Law partner’s criminal defense practice includes traffic charges: 93/28

Legal Aid Society, contributing annual fee and performing pro bono legal services: 10/17

Making political contributions: 94/8, 02/10 (Elections)

Not judge: 90/17

Practice of law in criminal traffic court: 93/35, 93/36, 93/37, 00/38

Practice of law in non-traffic matters: 00/32, 00/35

Renting office space from law firm handling traffic cases: 07/01

Restriction on practice in adjoining county: 97/23, 00/38

Restriction on practice in criminal circuit court: 00/38

Restriction on practice in DUI court: 93/26, 00/38

Restriction on practicing county court traffic matters in another county: 97/23, 00/32, 00/35

Retired judge sitting as senior judge and civil traffic infraction hearing officer in same judicial circuit: 09/05

Running for another office: 90/17, 96/5

Service as member of board of directors of and legal counsel to charitable organization: 94/8

Service as president of voluntary bar association: 92/23

Spouse is deputy sheriff: 93/18

Traffic hearing officer running for county judge: 08/08

Working as independent contractor with law firm that handles traffic cases: 07/01

Writing letter of recommendation for applicant for judicial appointment: 03/09

Transcripts:

Spouse as typist: 81/9
Treasurer:

Of campaign: 72/1

Trust:

Beneficiary: 76/1, 00/01

Closing trust (IOTA) account that existed from judge’s former practice: 05/08

Trustee:

Co-trustee of charitable trust: 93/2

Judge as co-trustee: 92/18, 95/7

Judge asked to be executor of friend’s estate: 08/05

Of dissolved Florida corporation: 86/4

Of father’s estate: 90/11

Of irrevocable trust set up by judge’s brother-in-law: 17/12

Of irrevocable trust set up by judge’s former father-in-law: 03/12

Of land trust: 76/1, 82/4, 85/1

Of legal aid society: 86/16

Of non-profit philanthropic trust, with compensation: 04/16

Of personal property held in trust for his benefit: 00/01

Of real estate title: 74/7

Of trusts created for benefit of adult daughter of close friends: 92/18

Of trust created by judge’s grandfather for benefit of judge’s uncle: 09/18

Of wife’s grandmother’s estate: 95/7

Receiving fee as trustee of family estate: 90/11, 95/7
Unexpended Campaign Funds: (see Campaign Funds, Canon 7)

Unified Family Court:

Son’s law firm represents party in family law case and parties have child appearing before judge in delinquency case: 06/27

University of Miami:

Law Alumni Association: 73/2

University of West Florida:

Sponsorship of seminar: 87/3

Unrepresented Litigants:

Internet company providing family law information: 07/21
Retired judge advertising mediation services: 07/12
Uncontested matters: 79/8
Unlicensed practice of law occurring: 94/46

Use of Prestige of Office: (see Lending Prestige of Office and Prestige of Judicial Office)

Vacation Time:

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Victim Impact Panel:

Referring DUI offenders to attend: 93/60

Volunteer:

Educating people about dependency court and guardian ad litem program to secure volunteers: 13/09
Use of retired attorneys who no longer practice law to work as judicial staff attorneys: 09/03

Waiver:

Disqualification: 05/01
Of dues, membership fees: 74/9, 78/17
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Website:

Campaign website: 12/15 (Election)
Judge’s personal website, restrictions: 11/01

Wedding Ceremony:

Compensation for performing at courthouse: 83/15, 87/1
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Performing during working hours: 83/15, 87/1
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Wife: (see Family and Spouse)

Witness:

Foreign court: 99/4 recedes from 90/2
Medical disciplinary board: 94/40
Provide voluntary affidavit: 99/4
Provide voluntary statement to police, exculpatory evidence: 03/04 recedes from 98/15
Provide voluntary statement to police for investigation: 03/04 recedes from 00/07
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Testify as expert witness: **04/37 recedes from 95/35, 05/10 recedes from 95/35, 00/37**

**Working Hours:**

Performing marriages during: **87/1**

Proposing in campaign literature that court be held on certain types of matters after regular working hours: **88/15**

What constitutes: **87/1**

**Writing:** (see also Letter)

Article about new legislation: **00/02**

Article for Spanish newspaper: **73/8**

Author of book: **82/5**

Book review and critique: **80/12**

Co-author with lawyer: **78/12**

Co-author with lawyer prior to service on bench: **82/12**

Constitutionality of new legislation: **00/02**

Creating internet web page for campaign purposes: **99/26**

Crime novel: **98/1**

Email forum: **01/02**

Internet company providing family law information: **07/21**

Introduction for brochure on task force on youth gangs: **00/05**

Legal treatise: **76/17**

Letter complaining to business on judge’s personal stationery identifying position: **81/8**

Letter soliciting attorneys to join legal aid organizations or contribute to them: **00/06**

Letter soliciting local businesses to join United Way organization: **99/22**

Letter to editor regarding method of selecting and retaining judiciary: **80/14**
Merit retention: 76/16

Newspaper column: 77/21, 95/37, 99/14

Proposed legislation: 98/13

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**Zoning:**

Judge’s individual protest of rezoning: 86/3