

FLORIDA SURVEYING & MAPPING SOCIETY

CODE OF ETHICS

CODE: As surveying and mapping professionals, we recognize that our ethical responsibilities extend to the public, to our clients, and to our peers. Accordingly, we acknowledge the following elements to identify our basic values: integrity, competence, and social awareness. Surveying and mapping professionals uphold and advance these values by (I) supporting and participating in the continuing development of the surveying and mapping professions; (II) serving with honesty, with forthrightness, and within their areas of skill; (III) using their expertise for the enhancement of human welfare and for the stewardship of resources.

CREED: As a professional surveyor, I dedicate my professional knowledge and skills to the advancement and betterment of human welfare. I pledge to give the utmost performance; to participate in none but honest enterprise; to live and work according to the laws of humankind and to the highest standards of professional conduct; to place service before profit, honor and standing of the profession before personal advantage, and the public welfare above all other considerations.

CANONS: In humility and with the need for divine guidance, I make this pledge: A professional surveyor should (1) refrain from conduct that is detrimental to the public; (2) abide by the rules and regulations pertaining to the practice of surveying within the licensing jurisdiction; (3) accept assignments only in one's area of professional competence; (4) develop and communicate a professional analysis and opinion without bias or personal interest; (5) maintain the confidential nature of the surveyor-client relationship; (6) use care to avoid advertising or solicitation that is misleading or otherwise contrary to the public interest; (7) maintain professional integrity when dealing with members of other professions.

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