

IN THE EIGHTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT OF FLORIDA
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 8.1301

PROFESSIONALISM COMMITTEE

IN ORDER TO PROVIDE effective coordination of professionalism programs and activities throughout the Eighth Judicial Circuit in compliance with the Supreme Court of Florida's Administrative Order entitled In Re: Commission on Professionalism, dated June 11, 1998, calling for the establishment of a local professionalism committee in each judicial circuit; and

WHEREAS, in the interest of promoting professionalism, a Professionalism Committee allows the bench and the bar to coordinate professional activities for lawyers and judges in the Eighth Judicial Circuit in order to maintain the highest standards of professionalism;

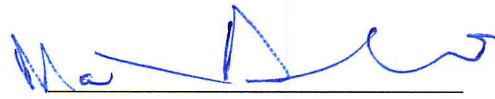
It is hereby

ORDERED that the Eighth Judicial Circuit Professionalism Committee is established under the following rules:

1. **Committee Members.** The Professionalism Committee shall consist of the following members: the Chief Judge of the Eighth Judicial Circuit, Chair of the Committee; the President of the Eighth Judicial Circuit Bar Association, Vice-Chair of the Committee; the chair of the Professionalism Committee of the Eighth Judicial Circuit Bar Association; the president of each active bar association within the Eighth Judicial Circuit; the president of each Inn of Court within the Eighth Judicial Circuit; the Board of Governors representative for the Eighth Judicial Circuit; the State Attorney of the Eighth Judicial Circuit; the Public Defender of the Eighth Judicial Circuit; and the Dean of the University of Florida Levin College of Law.
2. **Terms.** Each member shall serve during his or her term of office.

3. **Meetings.** The Professionalism Committee shall meet after the monthly Eighth Judicial Circuit Bar Association luncheons on at least a semi-annual basis with additional meetings scheduled as needed. The first meeting of the year shall coincide with the first bar luncheon in January. The last meeting of the year shall coincide with the holiday luncheon in December. The Chair of the Committee shall request that the time and place of meetings of the Committee be announced by the Eighth Judicial Circuit Bar Association.
4. **Access.** All attorneys, judges, and other interested parties shall have the opportunity to suggest professionalism activities to the Professionalism Committee.
5. **Reports.** The Chief Judge shall issue an annual report, each January, on the status of professionalism and professionalism activities to the Supreme Court's Chair of the Commission on Professionalism.
6. **Action.** The Professionalism Committee shall coordinate professionalism activities within the Eighth Judicial Circuit.
7. **Responsibility.** The Professionalism Committee is charged with the responsibility of ensuring professionalism activities in order to maintain the highest standards of conduct and professionalism throughout the circuit.

ORDERED on this 7 September, 2011.



Martha Ann Lott, Chief Judge