

# WSBA Professional Responsibility Program

## ETHICAL BEHAVIOR is...

*one of a legal practitioner's foremost concerns.*

*The WSBA Professional Responsibility Program helps bar members fulfill their obligations by providing **informal guidance and continuing education.***

### THE ETHICS LINE

The Professional Responsibility Counsel offers informal **phone consultations** through the **Ethics Line** to members who have questions regarding their prospective ethical conduct. The PRC helps members analyze a situation and apply the appropriate rules to make an ethically sound decision. Get more info at [www.wsba.org/ethics-line](http://www.wsba.org/ethics-line).



#### ETHICS LINE

206-727-8284

### CLE PRESENTATIONS

The PRC is a frequent speaker on ethics topics at WSBA CLEs and other CLEs offered throughout the state. Contact the Professional Responsibility Counsel for presentations for your group.



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## Which RPC?

*The Rules of Professional Conduct (RPCs) are the rules that govern ethical conduct of legal practitioners. The RPCs are constantly changing. Stay on top of recent developments by visiting the Washington State Courts website at [www.courts.wa.gov](http://www.courts.wa.gov).*

### Helpful Links:

#### Lawyer RPC

[www.courts.wa.gov/court\\_rules/?fa=court\\_rules.list&group=ga&set=RPC](http://www.courts.wa.gov/court_rules/?fa=court_rules.list&group=ga&set=RPC)

#### LPO and LLLT RPCs

[www.courts.wa.gov/court\\_rules/?fa=court\\_rules.list&group=ga&set=APR](http://www.courts.wa.gov/court_rules/?fa=court_rules.list&group=ga&set=APR)

### ETHICS IN YOUR PRACTICE



**The Washington Supreme Court** is the highest authority for ethical guidance. Court decisions in lawyer discipline cases are instructive because they illustrate ethical misconduct. Search Opinions at [www.courts.wa.gov](http://www.courts.wa.gov).

**Advisory Opinions** issued by the WSBA Committee on Professional Ethics are published online and cover a wide range of ethical issues. The database is a popular resource for members in addition to the Ethics Line at [www.wsba.org/advisory-opinions](http://www.wsba.org/advisory-opinions).

**Ethics Articles** in the WSBA's **Bar News** and **NWSidebar Blog** cover topics that are currently trending in legal ethics and professional responsibility.

**Ethics FAQs** are answers to common ethical questions such as file retention, unclaimed client funds, leaving a firm, or withdrawing from representation at [www.wsba.org/ethics-faqs](http://www.wsba.org/ethics-faqs).

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