Chapter 8
Ethics and Professionalism

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Most lawyers are ethical. Most lawyers strive to be professional. However, lawyers are human. They make mistakes. They do occasionally fall short of both professional and ethical standards. Very generally, ethics is what lawyers absolutely are required to do. Professionalism is what wise lawyers choose to do. A lawyer can be strictly ethical and still fall short of the ideals of professionalism. The good lawyer always strives to be both. Adherence to the Rules of Professional Conduct and the Code of Professionalism will allow a lawyer to practice safely, successfully and honorably.

ARTICLE XVI. RULES OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT

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