

SUPREME COURT OF WISCONSIN

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No. 04-07

In the matter of the Petition for Amendment to
Supreme Court Chapter 20 - Rules of
Professional Conduct for Attorneys

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Clerk of Supreme Court
Madison, WI

On July 29, 2004, the Wisconsin Ethics 2000 Committee filed a petition seeking to amend Supreme Court Rules Chapter 20, the Rules of Professional Conduct for Attorneys. On February 17, 2005, the Court conducted a public hearing on the petition, in which numerous persons participated. At the open administrative conference immediately following the hearing the Court acknowledged the importance of the Ethics 2000 Committee's report and the far-reaching implications of its proposal. The Court resolved to consider various aspects of the petition at a series of future open administrative conferences. Therefore,

IT IS ORDERED that on December 15, 2005, at 9:30 a.m., at its open administrative conference in the Supreme Court Room in the State Capitol, Madison, Wisconsin, the Court shall discuss (Proposed) SCR 20:1.6 (Confidentiality); 20:1.7 (Conflicts); 20:1.8 (Conflicts); 20:1.9 (Duties to Former Clients);

(Proposed) SCR 20:1.11 (Special conflicts of interest for former and current government officers and employees); 20:1.18 (Duties to Prospective Clients); 20:3.3 (Candor toward the tribunal); (Proposed) 20:5.4 (Professional independence of a lawyer), (Proposed) 20:7.2 (Advertising); 20:7.3 (Direct contact with Prospective Clients); (Proposed) 20:8.3 (Reporting professional misconduct); and (Proposed) 20:8.4 (Misconduct).

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED any interested persons may file with the court a written submission regarding the subjects identified for this conference no later than December 1, 2005. As this matter has already been the subject of a public hearing, general public testimony will not be entertained at the open conference. The court may direct questions to individuals present at the conference to aid the court's consideration of these matters.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that notice of this conference shall be given by a single publication of a copy of this order and of the petition in the official state newspaper and in an official publication of the State Bar of Wisconsin not more than 60 days nor less than 30 days before the date of the hearing.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin, this 3rd day of October, 2005.

BY THE COURT:

Cornelia G. Clark
Clerk of Supreme Court

