FROM MARK I. HARRISON, CHAIR, ABA JOINT COMMISSION TO EVALUATE THE MODEL CODE OF JUDICIAL CONDUCT

Hearing date: august 5, 2005

The ABA Joint Commission to Evaluate the Model Code of Judicial Conduct will hold the tenth in a series of public hearings on Friday, August 5, 2005 from 9:00 am until 12:00 pm. The hearing will be held at the Marriott Downtown, 540 North Michigan Avenue, 4th Floor, Avenue Ballroom, Chicago, IL (312) 836-0100.

We invite individuals or organizations interested in appearing at the hearing to provide the Commission with their views on the recently released Preliminary Report. The Report may be found at http://www.abanet.org/judicialethics/preliminaryreport.html. If you are interested in appearing on August 5, please contact Debra D. Taylor @ debrataylor@staff.abanet.org or 312/988-5325 no later than July 22 to allow us time to schedule all interested parties.

An electronic version of your proposed comments should be submitted by July 27, 2005. Where possible, please identify the sections of the Preliminary Report that your comments address. If you intend to recommend that the sections be changed, please provide language that you believe would accomplish your intended purpose. Written submissions may also be submitted in lieu of oral testimony.

All information may be sent by July 27 to Ms. Taylor via e-mail or hard copy to the American Bar Association, Center for Professional Responsibility, 321 North Clark Street, Chicago, IL 60610. E-mail transmissions are greatly preferred.