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STATUS OF STATE REVIEW OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT RULES

Forty-six (46) jurisdictions, including the District of Columbia, have adopted revised rules (AL, AK, AZ, AR, CO, CT, DE, DC, FL, IL, ID, IN, IA, KS, KY, LA, MA, ME, MD, MI, MN, MS, MO, MT, NE, NV, NH, NJ, NM, NY, NC, ND, OH, OK, OR, PA, RI, SC, SD, TN, UT, VT, VA, WA, WI, WY).

One (1) state has circulated proposed rules (WV).

Two (2) states have committees that have not yet issued a report (GA and HI).

Two (2) state did not adopt Model Rules (CA (has its own rules) and TX).

State	Committee Reviewing Rules	Committee Issued Report	Supreme Court Approved Rule Amendments	Notes
Alabama			X	Revised rules effective 6/23/08 http://www.alabar.org/ogc/PDF/Amendments-to-theAlabama_RPC.pdf Proposed advertising rules changes submitted to Supreme Court http://www.alabar.org/ogc/PDF/Petition_A_filed_Supreme_Court%20Oct12_2007.pdf Revised 5.5 effective 9/1/06. http://www.alabar.org/rulechanges/Rule%205.5_Rules%20of%20Professional%20Code_Unauthorized%20Practice%20of%20Law_Supreme%20Court%20order.pdf
Alaska			X	Revised rules effective 4/15/09 http://www.state.ak.us/courts/sco/sco1680.pdf
Arizona			X	Revised rules effective 12/1/03. http://www.supreme.state.az.us/media/pdf/test%20ule%2042%20%2043.pdf

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Arkansas			X	Revised rules effective 5/1/05. http://courts.state.ar.us/opinions/2005a/20050303/arp_c2005.html
California			X	Revised rules effective 9/1/2009. http://rules.calbar.ca.gov/Rules/RulesofProfessionalConduct.aspx
Colorado			X	Revised rules effective 1/1/08. http://www.cobar.org/group/index.cfm?category=3156&EntityID=CETH
Connecticut			X	Revised rules effective 1/1/07. http://www.jud.ct.gov/pb.htm Committee on Lawyer Advertising Report recommends changes to Rules 7.1 – 7.3 and 8.5. http://www.jud.state.ct.us/external/news/LAC.pdf
Delaware			X	Revised rules effective 7/1/03. http://courts.state.de.us/Rules/?FinalDLRPCclean.pdf Rule 5.5(c) revised effective 10/16/07. http://courts.delaware.gov/Rules/?supreme_rule5-5c.pdf Rule 5.5(d) revised effective 1/7/08. http://courts.state.de.us/Rules/?DLRPC010708.pdf Rule 5.5 Comment [14] revised effective 5/14/08 http://courts.delaware.gov/Rules/?DLRPC_051408.pdf

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D.C.			X	<p>Revised rules effective 2/1/07. http://www.dcbbar.org/new_rules/rules.cfm</p> <p>Revision to Rule 1.15 effective 8/1/2010 http://www.abanet.org/cpr/pic/dc.pdf</p> <p>Deleted Rule 1.19 effective 8/1/2010.</p>
Florida			X	<p>Revised rules effective 5/22/06. http://www.floridasupremecourt.org/decisions/2006/s_c04-2246.pdf</p> <p>1.5(f)(4)(B)(iii) allowing clients to waive medical malpractice practice fee limits effective 9/28/06. http://www.floridasupremecourt.org/decisions/2006/s_c05-1150.pdf</p> <p>Revisions to Rules 7.1 – 7.5 and 7.7 – 7.10 effective 1/1/07. http://www.floridasupremecourt.org/decisions/2006/s_c05-2194-Rules.pdf</p> <p>Revision to Rule 7.6 regarding websites pending before Supreme Court http://www.floridabar.org/tfb/TFBComm.nsf/basic+view/7BF644887DDFF1E18525705100734B73?OpenDocument</p> <p>Revisions to Rules 7.1 – 7.10 effective 2/1/08 http://www.floridasupremecourt.org/decisions/2007/s_c05-2194.pdf</p> <p>Revisions to Rules 1.5 and 6.5 effective 3/1/08 http://www.floridasupremecourt.org/decisions/2007/s_c06-736.pdf</p>
Georgia	X			Committee conducting review.

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Hawaii	X			Disciplinary Board of Supreme Court Ethics 2000 Committee conducting review.
Idaho			X	Revised rules effective 7/1/04. http://www.isc.idaho.gov/irpc0304_cov.htm
Illinois			X	Supreme Court Rules Committee considering draft rules http://www.state.il.us/court/SupremeCourt/Public_Hearings/2007/Rules_Comm/091407.asp Supreme Court approved adoption of Rule 1.17 and changes to Rules 5.4, 5.6 and 7.2 effective 5/23/05. http://www.iardc.org/rulesprofconduct.html Supreme Court approved changes to Rule 1.6 effective 5/24/06. http://www.iardc.org/rulesprofconduct.html Supreme Court approved changes to Rule 1.15 effective 6/1/07. http://www.iardc.org/rulesprofconduct.html Supreme Court adopts new Rules of Professional Conduct, effective January 1, 2010 http://www.state.il.us/court/SupremeCourt/Rules/Art_VIII/default_NEW.asp
Indiana			X	Revised rules effective 1/1/05. http://www.in.gov/judiciary/orders/rule-amendments/2004/0904-prof-conduct.pdf Revised advertising rules circulated for comment http://www.inbar.org/content/pdf/REPORT.pdf

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Iowa			X	<p>Revised rules effective 7/1/05. http://www.judicial.state.ia.us/Professional_Regulation/Rules_of_Professional_Conduct/</p> <p>Rules 1.2, 4.2 and 7.4 revised effective 3/12/07 http://www.judicial.state.ia.us/Court_Rules_and_Forms/Recent_Amendments_New_Rules/index.asp</p> <p>Revised Rule 5.5 Comment effective 5/14/07. http://www.judicial.state.ia.us/Court_Rules_and_Forms/Recent_Amendments_New_Rules/index.asp</p> <p>Rules 7.2 and 7.4 revised effective 11/19/07 http://www.judicial.state.ia.us/Court_Rules_and_Forms/Recent_Amendments_New_Rules/index.asp</p>
Kansas			X	<p>Revised rules effective 7/1/07. http://www.kscourts.org/rules/Rule-List.asp?r1=Rules+Relating+to+Discipline+of+Attorneys</p>
Kentucky			X	<p>Revised rules effective 7/15/09 http://courts.ky.gov/NR/rdonlyres/AA868FA5-6B4B-4C20-A06C-D5C4FC0D1596/0/RevisedSCRuleseffective7152009.pdf</p>

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Louisiana			X	<p>Revised rules effective 3/1/04. http://www.lsba.org/Rpc2004.pdf</p> <p>Rules 1.4, 1.5 and 1.8 were amended effective 4/1/06 to change the regulations regarding financial assistance to clients http://www.lasc.org/press_room/press_releases/2006/2006-01.asp</p> <p>Revised advertising rules effective 10/1/09 http://www.lsba.org/2007MemberServices/lawyeradvertising.asp</p> <p>State Bar seeking comments to Rule 3.8 amendments http://www.lsba.org/2007NewsResources/newsresources.asp?NewsID=347</p>
Maine			X	<p>Revised rules effective 8/1/09 http://www.maine.gov/tools/whatsnew/index.php?topic=Court_News&id=68628&v=article</p>
Maryland			X	<p>Revised rules effective 7/1/05. http://www.courts.state.md.us/rules/ruleschanges.html#153ro_select</p>

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Massachusetts			X	Revised rules effective 9/1/2008 http://www.mass.gov/obcbbo/RPC.pdf With amendments through 07/01/09 http://www.mass.gov/obcbbo/rpenet.htm
Michigan			X	Amended Rules 3.1, 3.3, 3.4, 3.5, 3.6, 5.5, and 8.5 and adopted Rules 2.4, 5.7, and 6.6. Revised Rules effective 1/1/2011. http://courts.michigan.gov/supremecourt/Resources/Administrative/2009-06-102610.pdf
Minnesota			X	Revised rules effective 10/1/05. http://www.courts.state.mn.us/rules/professionalConduct/MRPC.DOC
Mississippi			X	Supreme Court approved changes to Rules 7.1, 7.2 and 8.5, effective 9/1/03. http://www.mssc.state.ms.us/news/sn104819.pdf Revised rules effective 11/3/05. http://www.mssc.state.ms.us/rules/RuleContents.asp?IDNum=7

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<p>Missouri</p>			<p>X</p>	<p>Revised rules effective 7/1/07. http://www.courts.mo.gov/sup/index.nsf/d45a7635d4bfdb8f8625662000632638/8061fd0e2a1b44228625729200135424?OpenDocument</p> <p>New advertising rules adopted, effective 1/1/06. http://www.courts.mo.gov/sup/index.nsf/d45a7635d4bfdb8f8625662000632638/49c8664ddcac74d78625708200534d23?OpenDocument</p> <p>Revised Rule 1.5 and new Rule 6.6 effective 1/1/08 http://www.mobar.org/data/esq07/oct19/corrected-order.pdf</p> <p>Revised Rules 7.1 through 7.3, effective 7/1/10 http://www.courts.mo.gov/sup/index.nsf/d45a7635d4bfdb8f8625662000632638/108f3be5e22024ba8625767f00690c15?OpenDocument</p>
<p>Montana</p>			<p>X</p>	<p>Revised rules effective 4/1/04 http://www.montanaodc.org/LinkClick.aspx?link=http%3a%2f%2fwww.montanaodc.org%2fPortals%2fODC%2fdocs%2frules_of_professional_conduct.pdf&abid=1209&mid=2011</p>
<p>Nebraska</p>			<p>X</p>	<p>Revised rules effective 9/1/05. http://court.nol.org/rules/</p> <p>April 2010: The Ethics Committee of the Nebraska Bar recently recommended AGAINST adopting 1.10 revisions and FOR adopting 3.8 revisions.</p>
<p>Nevada</p>			<p>X</p>	<p>Revised rules effective 5/1/06. http://www.nvbar.org/ethics/e2k.htm</p> <p>Revised advertising rules effective 9/1/07. http://www.nvbar.org/SCLA/ORDER%20ADKT%20380.pdf</p>

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New Hampshire			X	<p>Revised rules effective 1/1/08. http://www.courts.state.nh.us/supreme/orders/20072507.pdf</p> <p>Revised 5.5 effective 3/1/07. http://www.courts.state.nh.us/supreme/orders/ord20070118.pdf</p>
New Jersey			X	<p>Revised rules effective 1/1/04. http://www.judiciary.state.nj.us/rules/apprpc.htm</p> <p>Revisions to Rule 5.5 proposed. http://www.judiciary.state.nj.us/notices/2007/n070308a.pdf</p> <p>Revisions to Rules 1.8, 1.11 and 5.5 proposed http://www.judiciary.state.nj.us/reports2008/prrc.pdf</p>
New Mexico			X	<p>Revised rules effective 11/2/08 http://nmsupremecourt.nmcourts.gov/rules/app.php?rule_no=16</p>
New York			X	<p>Revised rules effective 4/1/09 http://www.nycourts.gov/rules/jointappellate/NY%20Rules%20of%20Prof%20Conduct.pdf</p>
North Carolina			X	<p>Revised rules effective 3/1/03. http://www.ncbar.com/rules/rpcsearch.asp</p>
North Dakota			X	<p>Revised rules effective 8/1/06. http://www.ndcourts.com/court/notices/20050353/adopted/contents.htm</p>
Ohio			X	<p>Revised rules effective 2/1/07. http://www.supremecourt.ohio.gov/LegalResources/Rules/ProfConduct/profConductRules.pdf.</p>
Oklahoma			X	<p>Revised rules effective 1/1/08. http://www.okbar.org/ethics/ORPC.htm</p>
Oregon			X	<p>Revised rules effective 1/1/05. http://www.osbar.org/barnews/hodsubmit.html</p>

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Pennsylvania			X	<p>Revised rules effective 1/1/05. http://www.padisciplinaryboard.org/documents/Pa%20RPC.pdf</p> <p>State Bar Task Force on lawyer Advertising issued report. http://www.abanet.org/cpr/professionalism/050807_3082633-v3-PHILADELPHIA-PBA.pdf</p> <p>May 15, 2010: The Disciplinary Board of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania is considering recommending to the Pennsylvania Supreme Court that it adopt the amendments to Model Rule of Professional Conduct 3.8: http://www.pabulletin.com/secure/data/vol40/40-20/861.html</p>
Rhode Island			X	<p>Revised rules effective 4/15/07. http://www.courts.ri.gov/supreme/pdf-files/Rules_Of_Professional_Conduct.pdf</p>
South Carolina			X	<p>Revised rules effective 10/1/05. http://www.judicial.state.sc.us/courtReg/newrules/NewRules.cfm</p>
South Dakota			X	<p>Revised rules effective 1/1/04. http://24.230.151.131/members/ethics/rules/default.htm</p>
Tennessee			X	<p>Revised rules effective 1/1/2011 http://www.tba.org/ethics/rpc_order_092910.pdf</p>
Texas		X		<p>TX Bar membership voted the proposed rules down. http://texaslawyer.typepad.com/texas_lawyer_blog/2011/02/state-bar-of-texas-members-vote-down-proposed-amendments-to-disciplinary-rules-of-professional-condu.html</p>

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Utah			X	<p>Revised rules effective 11/1/05. http://www.utcourts.gov/resources/rules/ucja/index.htm#Chapter%2013</p>
Vermont			X	<p>Proposed revisions circulated for comment in 2005. http://www.vermontjudiciary.org/Library/PDF/resources/VRPC-030205.pdf</p> <p>Changes to 2005 revisions circulated in 2006. http://www.vermontjudiciary.org/rules1/VRPCprop2-2007.pdf</p> <p>Amendments, effective September 1st, promulgated June 2009. http://www.vermontjudiciary.org/LC/Statutes%20and%20Rules/PROMULGATED-JUN1709-VRPC.pdf</p>
Virginia			X	<p>Revised rules effective 1/1/04. http://www.vsb.org/site/regulation/guidelines/</p> <p>Proposed revised 1.9, 1.11, 1.17, 7.4 and 8.4 http://www.vsb.org/site/regulation/proposed-rule-changes/</p> <p>Change to 4.2 Comment effective 5/11/07. http://www.vsb.org/docs/SCV4_2-Order_041307.pdf</p>
Washington			X	<p>Revised rules effective 9/1/06. http://www.courts.wa.gov/court_rules/?fa=court_rules.list&group=ga&set=RPC</p> <p>Rule 1.8(e) amended effective 4/24/07. http://www.courts.wa.gov/court_rules/?fa=court_rules.list&group=ga&set=RPC</p>

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West Virginia		X		Proposed rules submitted to supreme court Dec. 2008 http://www.state.wv.us/WVSCA/rules/ABA.pdf ; Proposed rules withdrawn Feb 2010: http://www.state.wv.us/wvsca/rules/ABAModel.htm
Wisconsin			X	Revised rules effective 7/1/07. http://www.wisbar.org/AM/Template.cfm?Section=Lawyer_Regulation_and_Discipline&template=/CM/ContentDisplay.cfm&contentid=62724 Revised Rule 1.15 effective 7/1/07 http://www.wicourts.gov/sc/rulhear/DisplayDocument.html?content=html&seqNo=28907 Revisions proposed to Rule 3.8 http://www.wicourts.gov/sc/rulhear/DisplayDocument.html?content=html&seqNo=34486
Wyoming			X	Revised rules effective 7/1/06. http://courts.state.wy.us/CourtRules_Entities.aspx?RulesPage=AttorneysConduct.xml