

JAMIE – I just received your November issues outline. You have quite a task at hand. Hopefully your efforts will find constructive support w/in the profession. In this latter connection, a recent informal Center dialogue touched briefly on the role of the law school in advancing (or not) the prospective lawyer's knowledge of professional conduct issues beyond some superficial familiarity with the Rules. A fair critique might be that our law schools do a less than competent job when it comes to providing a real world appreciation of and familiarity with the complex issues of lawyer and judicial conduct. Perhaps the proof of this manifest educational default is in the pudding of the increasing number of significant malpractice and disciplinary determinations. Why a pervasive taste of professional conduct is beyond the purview of the law school curriculum is something that might be worth the Commission's attention. I wish you lots of luck with this undertaking. Regards, Bob

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