

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

HEARING DATE: JUNE 3, 2005

The ABA Joint Commission to Evaluate the ABA Model Code of Judicial Conduct will hold the ninth in a series of public hearings on Friday, June 3, 2005 from 1:30 p.m. until 3:00 p.m. The hearing will be held at The Fairmont Chicago, 200 North Columbus Drive, Chicago, IL (312/565-8000).

We invite individuals or organizations interested in appearing at the hearing to provide the Commission with their views on the drafts of Canons 1 through 4 that have been posted on the Commission web site, [www.abanet.org/judicialethics](http://www.abanet.org/judicialethics). Although comments on our posted draft of Canon 5 are not at all discouraged, the Commission expects to post a *revised* draft of Canon 5, accompanied by draft Commentary, in mid-May, at which time we will solicit written comments and suggestions on it. If you are interested in appearing on June 3, please contact Debra D. Taylor @ 312/988-5325 or [debrataylor@staff.abanet.org](mailto:debrataylor@staff.abanet.org) no later than May 10 to allow us time to schedule all interested parties.

An electronic version of your proposed comments should be submitted by May 16, 2005. Where possible, **please identify the provisions of the draft Canons that your comments address**. If you intend to recommend that the provisions 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 May 16 to Ms. Taylor via e-mail or hard copy to ABA Center for Professional Responsibility, 321 North Clark Street, Chicago, IL 60610. E-mail transmissions are greatly preferred.