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In the Iowa Supreme Court

**In the Matter of Adoption of)
Amendments to Chapter 32,)
Iowa Rules of Professional)
Conduct)**

Order

On August 1, 2019, the Iowa Supreme Court requested public comment on proposed amendments to the Iowa Rules of Professional Conduct contained in chapter 32 of the Iowa Court Rules. The Iowa rules of conduct are patterned after the American Bar Association (ABA) Model Rules of Professional Conduct, which the ABA updated in December 2018. The primary purpose of the proposed amendments is to bring the Iowa rules largely into conformity with changes to the model rules. Upon request, the supreme court extended the public comment period to December 31, 2019.

The court received many thoughtful comments and has given careful consideration to them during its recent Administrative Term. The court values comments it receives on proposed rule amendments and appreciates the time and effort involved in submitting them.

The court adopts amendments to the Iowa Rules of Professional Conduct as provided with this order. The court has not adopted all of the model rule updates, but particular rules with substantive amendments that are adopted include the following:

- 32:3.8 (Special Responsibilities of a Prosecutor)
- 32:5.5 (Unauthorized Practice of Law; Multijurisdictional Practice of Law)
- 32:7.1 (Communications Concerning a Lawyer's Services)
- 32:7.2 (formerly, Advertising)
- 32:7.3 (Solicitation of Clients)
- 32:7.4 (formerly, Communication of Fields of Practice and

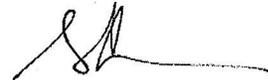
Specialization)

- 32:7.5 (formerly, Firm Names and Letterheads)
- 32:8.5 (Disciplinary Authority; Choice of Law)

The amendments to the Iowa Rules of Professional Conduct in chapter 32 of the Iowa Court Rules as provided with this order are effective January 1, 2021.

Dated this 28th day of August, 2020.

The Iowa Supreme Court

By 

Susan Larson Christensen, Chief Justice

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