

STANDING ORDER RE SANTA CLARA COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION

CODE OF PROFESSIONALISM

Good cause appearing, upon consideration by and with the approval of the Judges of the Santa Clara Superior Court, it is hereby ORDERED that the Code of Professionalism adopted by the Santa Clara County Bar Association in June 1992, revised in October 2015 and again in December 2022 will serve as a guide to the Judges of the Santa Clara Superior Court in the exercise of their individual discretion when adjudicating disputes among attorneys. While the Code does not have the force of law or regulation with respect to the conduct of attorneys, it reflects the view of the members of the Santa Clara County Bar Association regarding appropriate attorney behavior. As such, it is helpful in giving judges guidance about the expectations of attorneys concerning acceptable behavior. *Cf. Kloepfer v. Commission on Judicial Performance* (1989) 49 Cal.3d 826, 838, fn. 6.

It is further ORDERED that notice of this standing order shall be published to all attorneys practicing before this Court by appending a copy of this order to the Local Rules of Court.

Dated: March 28, 2023

Presiding Judge Beth McGowen Santa Clara County Superior Court