**APR 12**

**APPENDIX**

**LIMITED PRACTICE OFFICER RULES OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT (LPORPC)**

**LPORPC 1.0 Terminology**

The following definitions apply to all rules and regula­tions governing LPOs under APR 12 except only where a term is expressly differently defined for use in particular provisions of any rule or regulation.

**(a)**-**(e)** [Unchanged.]

**(f)** “Limited Practice Officer” or “LPO” means a person licensed in accordance with the procedures set forth in APR 12 and who has maintained his or her their certification in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Limited Practice Board.

**(g)**-**(n)** [Unchanged.]

Comment

[Unchanged.]

**LPORPC 1.2**

**DILIGENCE**

An LPO must act with reasonable diligence and prompt­ness in the performance of his or her their duties, including the timely preparation of documents required to meet the closing date specified by the clients.

Comment

[Unchanged.]

**LPORPC 1.6**

**DECLINING OR TERMINATING SERVICES**

**(a)** An LPO shall decline to provide LPO services or, where LPO services have commenced, shall terminate LPO services if:

(1) [Unchanged.]

(2) The LPO’s physical or mental condition materially im­pairs his or her their ability to provide LPO services;

(3)-(5) [Unchanged.]

**(b)** An LPO may refuse to provide LPO services for any other reason, including without limitation the following, if:

(1) A client persists in a course of action involving the LPO’s services that the LPO reasonably believes is criminal or fraudulent or illegal, or that might require the LPO to exceed his or her their authority as an LPO;

(2)-(6) [Unchanged.]

**(c)** [Unchanged.]

Comment

[Unchanged.]

**LPORPC 1.8**

**UNAUTHORIZED PRACTICE OF LAW**

An LPO shall not:

**(a)** [Unchanged.]

**(b)** permit his or her their name, signature stamp, or LPO number to be used by any other person;

**(c)** [Unchanged.]

**(d)** work as an LPO while on inactive status, or while his or her their LPO certification is suspended or revoked for any cause.

Comment

[Unchanged.]

**LPORPC 1.10**

**MISCONDUCT**

It is professional misconduct for an LPO to:

**(a)**-**(c)** [Unchanged.]

**(d)** willfully disobey or violate a valid court order direct­ing him or her them to do or cease doing an act which he or she that they ought in good faith to do or forbear;

**(e)** violate his or her their oath as an LPO;

**(f)**-**(h)** [Unchanged.]

**(i)** commit any act involving moral turpitude, or corrup­tion, or any unjustified act of assault or other act that re­flects disregard for the rule of law, whether the same be committed in the course of his or her their conduct as an LPO, or otherwise, and whether the same constitutes a felo­ny or misdemeanor or not; and if the act constitutes a felony or misdemeanor, conviction thereof in a criminal proceeding shall not be a condition precedent to disciplinary action, nor shall acquittal or dismissal thereof preclude the commence­ment of a disciplinary proceeding.

Comment

[Unchanged.]