

**VIRGINIA STATE BAR HARRY L. CARRICO
PROFESSIONALISM COURSE**

BACKGROUND: The Supreme Court of Virginia has approved a mandatory course on Professionalism and the Virginia Rules of Professional Conduct. By order of the Supreme Court, September 7, 1987, *"...any active member licensed after June 30, 1988, and any other member who changes his or her membership to active status shall complete the required course within twelve months of becoming an active member. Failure to comply with this Rule shall subject the active member to the penalties set forth in Paragraph 19 herein..."* (¶13.1, ¶19, §IV, Part Six, Rules of the Virginia Supreme Court.)

FAILURE TO ATTEND THE COURSE WITHIN TWELVE MONTHS OF BECOMING AN ACTIVE MEMBER WILL RESULT IN SUSPENSION OF A LAWYER'S LICENSE.

The program will be taught by a select faculty of prominent Virginia lawyers and judges appointed by Virginia Supreme Court Chief Justice Cynthia D.F. Kinser. The curriculum will focus on the Virginia Rules of Professional Conduct and lawyers' broader ethical obligations to their clients, to the judicial system and to society.

PROGRAM: Registration for the course will begin at 8:00 a.m. with the program beginning at 8:30 a.m. The program includes a luncheon and will conclude at 4:00 p.m. Specific dates and locations for the program are listed below. The course is approved for 5.0 ethics hours of MCLE credit.

WRITTEN MATERIALS: Each registrant will receive a disk of reference materials as well as workshop materials.

REGISTRATION: Space is limited at each location and registration will be confirmed on a first-come, first-served basis. On the form below, please indicate in order of preference (1,2,3) your three choices for program dates/locations, and on the reverse side, your choices for the workshops. Return the registration form with your check for \$150 made payable to the Virginia State Bar. Unfortunately, the VSB is unable to accept credit cards. (Complimentary CLE coupon is not applicable to this program.) A postcard-ticket will be mailed to you as confirmation of your registration. Please retain this postcard and present it as your admission ticket at the program for which you are registered. Should you need to reschedule your attendance, you may do so up to one week prior to the program at no charge. If you reschedule less than one week prior to the program, there will be a \$25.00 fee.

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS: At each location, a block of guest rooms will be available to registrants on a limited basis at a special rate. All reservations should be made directly with the hotel. In order to receive the special rate, please note the cutoff dates on the registration form. Please identify yourself as a registrant of this course.

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS: Each hotel has indicated that its facilities are accessible to persons with disabilities. Please contact Maureen Stengel at the Bar office if you have need of any accommodations to facilitate your participation in the program or the luncheon. The Virginia State Bar is in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.

WORKSHOPS (all registrants attend both the General and Specialty workshops):

Number 1 to 3 in order of preference of attendance at a practice-specific workshop. Your choice may be based on your current practice type or an area of interest.

- _____ Civil Litigation
- _____ Criminal Litigation
- _____ Government/Public Service Practice
- _____ In-house Counsel/Corporate Counsel/Business Practice
- _____ General Practice (Real Estate, Family, Bankruptcy, Trusts & Estates, Elder Law, Etc.)
- _____ Intellectual Property

You will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis.

**Mail this form and your check (made payable to the Virginia State Bar) to:
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ProfessionalismCourse@vsb.org (804) 775-0517; TDD (804) 775-0502.**