

Rule 61

CANON 1

A Judge Should Uphold the Integrity and
Independence of the Judiciary

An independent and honorable judiciary is indispensable to justice in our society. A judge should participate in establishing, maintaining, and enforcing, and should personally observe, high standards of conduct so that the integrity and independence of the judiciary may be preserved. The provisions of this Code should be construed and applied to further that objective.

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Committee Commentary

This canon is substantially identical to the 1972 version of the ABA canon.