

602.10112 Duties of attorneys and counselors.

It is the duty of an attorney and counselor:

1. To maintain the respect due to the courts of justice and judicial officers.
2. To counsel or maintain no other actions, proceedings, or defenses than those which appear to the attorney or counselor legal and just, except the defense of a person charged with a public offense.
3. To employ, for the purpose of maintaining the causes confided to the attorney or counselor, such means only as are consistent with truth, and never to seek to mislead the judges by any artifice or false statement of fact or law.
4. To maintain inviolate the confidence, and, at any peril to the attorney or counselor, to preserve the secret of a client.
5. To abstain from all offensive personalities, and to advance no fact prejudicial to the honor or reputation of a party or witness, unless required by the justice of the cause with which the attorney or counselor is charged.
6. Not to encourage either the commencement or continuance of an action or proceeding from any motive of passion or interest.
7. Never to reject for any consideration personal to the attorney or counselor the cause of the defenseless or oppressed.

[C51, § 1614; R60, § 2704; C73, § 211; C97, § 317; C24, 27, 31, 35, 39, § **10920**; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, § 610.14]

83 Acts, ch 186, § 10202(2)

CS83, § 602.10112

Footnotes

See also Iowa Ct.R., ch 32