Committee on Judicial Ethics  
Teleconference  
Thursday, November 6, 2008  

Members present via teleconference: Justice Barry R. Schaller, Chair; Judge Linda K. Lager, Vice-Chair, Judge Robert J. Devlin, Jr., and Judge Socrates H. Mihalakos. Staff present: Viviana L. Livesay, Esq., Assistant Secretary.

MINUTES

I. With a quorum present, Justice Schaller called the meeting to order at 1:33 p.m. Though publicly noticed, no members of the public attended.

II. The Committee unanimously approved the draft Minutes of the October 30, 2008 meeting.

III. The Committee considered Judicial Ethics Opinion 2008-15. Because the character and fitness proceeding involved in this ethics request is an inquiry into the particular bar candidate’s prior cheating on a college exam and, therefore, is adversarial in nature and not the type ordinarily conducted for all bar applicants, the Committee unanimously agreed that the judicial official should not write a reference letter for this bar candidate unless specifically requested by the bar authorities.

IV. The meeting adjourned at 1:58 p.m.