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Re: Case # 81,685

Dear Mr. White:

I recently reviewed the proposed changes to the Code of Judicial Conduct as published in the June 1, 1993, Florida Bar News.

I have practiced law in Dade County for almost twenty-years.

In my opinion the most needed reform to the Judicial Code would be to modify Cannon Seven to prohibit attorney endorsements and attorney contributions to judicial campaigns. These "committees of responsible persons" are usually attorneys who have or will have cases before these same judges.

How can the code not address the issue of attorney's or their firm's contributing campaign money to judges before whom they regularly appear.

Sincerely,

John A. Thompson, Jr. For the Firm

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