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RE: Case No.: 81,685  
Comments on proposed judicial code

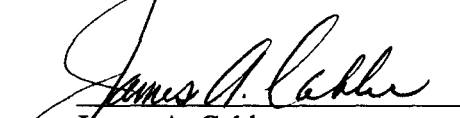
Dear **Mi.** White:

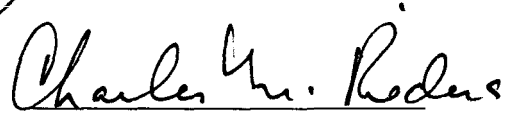
We the undersigned bar members (two of which are former judges) agree with Chief Justice Barkett when she states: "There is something desperately with a judge currying with local practitioners in order to obtain their business as a mediator and then sitting as a circuit judge". We believe judges do not realize that a request or solicitation is often (whether intended or not) perceived as a polite demand, the refusal of which may have dire consequences. Our observation is that attorneys strongly desire to please judges and do not wish to alienate them in any way.

We believe that if a senior judge wishes to actively sit on the bench, that judge should be prohibited from mediating. These comments are directed to Canon 5 (c) and (e) and application of the Code of Judicial Conduct B.

Respectfully submitted:

  
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