**Ethics Subcommittee Conference Call Minutes**

Thursday, January 23, 2020 2:00 p.m. ET

Subcommittee Chair Peter Kiefer convened the conference call:

On the Call:

Alyce Roberts

Amy McDowell

Jeff Chapple

Joe Tommasino

Karl Thoennes

Norman Meyer

Rick Pierce

* Update on Catalog of Ethics Codes and Information

With the addition of ethics codes from New Mexico and Finlay, Ohio the webpage now displays 29 different ethics codes.

* Update on Depiction of Ethics Issues and Challenges

The subcommittee decided the document was refined to a point that could be posted to the ethics webpage. One challenge (which is now an ethics column) revolves around Canon 2.6 regarding the admonition for court professionals not to disclose confidential information to any unauthorized person. The question arose as to who was an authorized person and how that determination is made?

* Survey of Ethics Review Boards

So far, we have received survey responses from 12 State Administrative Offices (AOC) and 6 courts. 9 AOCs have employee ethics codes; 3 do not. The ethics codes in 6 AOCs are part of their personnel rules; 6 are not. In 4 states, employees must follow the applicable parts of the state’s judicial code of ethics.

* Archived Ethics Information

Thanks to Angie VanSchoick who posted ethics codes from 2 more states on the NACM website. The catalog will continue to grow as we regularly add to the list.

* Good of the Order

Many NACM members have found the ethics videos very instructive. It was suggested that the subcommittee reach out to the Arizona AOC to see if they could help development new videos.

* Next Conference Call

The next conference call is scheduled for Thursday, February 27, 2020 at 2:00 p.m. ET.