



BOARD CODE OF ETHICS

The 7th Judicial District Child Advocacy Center dba The Dolphin House

As a Director of The 7th Judicial District Child Advocacy Center dba The Dolphin House, I will...

- listen carefully to other Board Directors, and those served by the Center;
- respect the opinion of other Board Directors;
- respect and support the majority decisions of the Board;
- recognize that all authority is vested in the Board when it meets in legal session and not with individual Board Directors;
- keep well-informed of developments that are relevant to issues that may come before the Board;
- participate actively in Board meetings and actions;
- call to the attention of the Board any issues that I believe will have an adverse effect on the Center or those we serve;
- attempt to interpret the needs of constituents to the Center and interpret the action of the Center to its constituents;
- refer constituent or staff complaints to the proper level on the chain of command;
- recognize that the Board Director's job is to ensure that the Center is well managed, not to manage the Center;
- vote to hire the best possible person to manage the Center;
- consider myself a "trustee" of the Center and do my best to ensure that the Center is well maintained, financially secure, growing and always operating in the best interests of constituents;
- always work to learn more about the Board Director's job and how to do it better;

- declare any conflict of interests between my personal life and my position on the Board, and avoid voting on issues that appear to be a conflict of interest.

As a member of the Board I will not...

- be critical, in or outside of the Board meeting, of other Board Directors or their opinions;
- use the Center or any part of the Center for my personal advantage or the personal advantage of my friends or relatives;
- discuss the confidential proceedings of the Board outside the Board meeting with anyone without a need to know;
- commit prior to a meeting how I will vote on any issue in the meeting;
- interfere with duties of the Executive Director or undermine the Executive Director's authority.

Printed Name

Board Director

Date