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Sorry I'm later than I expected with this. My PC was in the shop longer than I thought it would be.

Having read through the code proposal, I am in general agreement with the content and the manner of presentation.

Below are some suggestions (rather a lot, maybe!) which, I hope, might help to make the final document more readable:

1. INTRODUCTION

In the line starting "general rule" replace "one experience" with "one which experience"

2. RULE 1

I am not too happy about the phrase "on which they work". I am not really able to come up with something which totally satisfies me. My best effort is "to which they commit themselves", but the number of times the phrase appears may make this sound more cacophonous than the original one.

For the items appearing at the end (the ones with question marks) here are some thoughts:

"Assure proper privacy, ..." does seem to be covered elsewhere.

"Meet changes as they occur". Are you referring to design and coding changes or the technology and methodology changes in the profession?

"Departure from the norm ...". I think "can" should be changed to something stronger, like "need to" or "must".

"See through...". Use "completion" instead of "finish".

I like "Don't dodge the issues" This one might be difficult to word appropriately!

3. RULE 2

I think the last part "Admit their own errors" is covered by

2.07 and 2.09.

4. RULE 3

I would re-word 3.02 to:

"Avoid conflicts of interest insofar as is practicable, and fully disclose such conflicts to all parties concerned when they exist".

I'm not sure I fully understand the meaning of 3.06.

5. RULE 4

4.02 - I would replace "someone" with "persons".

4.04 - I would replace "Use no" with "Not knowingly use".

4.05 - I would replace "Keep confidential" with "Keep as confidential".

4.06 - I would replace "to turn out badly" with "have unforeseen consequences".

"Avoid fads" is another one which is going to need some careful wording. It could be difficult to define a "fad".

"authorized use"- I would replace it with "and its use is authorized".

6. RULE 5

5.03 - I would replace "do as this code requires" with "adhere to this code" or "follow this code".

5.04 - I would replace "ethically" with "in an ethical and professional manner" or, better still "in accordance with this code".

5.05 - How about "properly constituted" instead of "appropriate"? I don't think this change is necessary in 5.06.

5.07 - "commensurate with" might sound better than "appropriate to".

5.08 - No comma after "misleading"

5.10 - "as is consistent" for "as consistent".

5.12 - "Improve" might be more appropriate than "Extend".

7. RULE 6

6.07 - "Give fair hearings in the event of accusations of violations of policies or of this code". (Too much 'of ???).

6.13 - Add "for which that subordinate is qualified".

8. RULE 7

I would add another item (7.04):

"Endeavor to keep current with advances and changes in the field".

Well, I hope you don't think this is too "picky". I do this thing a lot with meeting minutes and documents which go out to the users.

Obviously I do not expect all the above changes (or even the majority of them) to be taken, but I hope that this helps to further clarify some points.

Manny.