

Attorney Oath

I do solemnly swear I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution of the State of Florida;

I will maintain the respect due to courts of justice and judicial officers;

I will not counsel or maintain any suit or proceedings which shall appear to me to be unjust, nor any defense except such as I believe to be honestly debatable under the law of the land;

I will employ for the purpose of maintaining the causes confided to me such means only as are consistent with truth and honor, and will never seek to mislead the judge or jury by any artifice or false statement of fact or law;

I will maintain the confidence and preserve inviolate the secrets of my clients, and will accept no compensation in connection with their business except from them or with their approval;

To opposing parties and their counsel, I pledge fairness, integrity, and civility, not only in court, but also in all written and oral communications;

I will abstain from all offensive personality and advance no fact prejudicial to the honor or reputation of a party or witness, unless required by the justice of the cause with which I am charged;

I will never reject, from any consideration personal to myself, the cause of the defenseless or oppressed, or delay anyone's cause for lucre or malice. So help me God.

The Professionalism Committee of
The Fifth Judicial Circuit of Florida
presents

Managing Stress While Maintaining Professionalism

FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 2026

8:00AM TO 4:00PM

CIRCLE SQUARE CULTURAL CENTER
OCALA, FLORIDA



Be Encouraged, Equipped, and Inspired

Conference Program

Program Events and Times

7:30 – 8:00	Sign In. Breakfast.
8:00 – 8:10	Welcome, by Professionalism Committee Chair, Judge Jennifer Bass, Fifth Judicial Circuit
8:10 – 8:15	Welcome, Chief Judge Daniel B. Merritt, Jr.
8:15 – 8:25	Invocation
8:25 – 9:25	Justice Meredith L. Sasso, Florida Supreme Court
9:25 – 10:25	Judge Alicia Latimore, 9th Judicial Circuit <i>"Law, Stress, and Resilience: Balance Well-Being and Professionalism"</i>
10:25 – 10:35	Break
10:35 – 11:05	Patric Young, Former Professional Basketball Player and Motivational Speaker <i>"Sit to Rise: Turning Your Darkest Pain into Your Brightest Victory"</i>
11:05 – 12:00	Rosalyn Sia Baker-Barnes, President of The Florida Bar <i>"Sustainability in the Profession"</i>

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12:00 – 1:15	Lunch
1:15 – 2:15	Edward C. Santoian, MD, PhD, FACC, FSCAI and Amber Pounds, MS, RDN <i>"How diet can impact your overall health"</i>
2:15 – 3:15	Professor Lawrence Krieger and Theresa Krieger <i>"Creating a Professional Life Grounded in Joy, Health, and High Performance"</i>
3:15 – 3:25	Break
3:25 – 3:45	Professionalism Awards and Adjournment

Written Materials

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