

- 1016 4. The Oath will be administered with the right hand uplifted and the following words said
1017 aloud:
1018 a. "I, (name), do solemnly swear that I will uphold the laws of the Graduate and
1019 Professional Students Association of the University of New Mexico, the State of New
1020 Mexico, and the United States of America; that I will judge fairly and with no previous
1021 bias the evidence and proceedings before me, and that I will otherwise fulfill the duties
1022 and obligations of the GPSA Judiciary to the best of my ability."
1023 5. Upon affirmation of the Oath, an affidavit will be filed attesting to the authority of the
1024 Justice. The Justice shall then assume office.

1025 Section 3. Code of Conduct

- 1026 A. All Justices shall establish, observe, and maintain high standards of conduct so that the integrity
1027 and independence of the judiciary may be preserved.
1028 B. Justices shall respect and comply with the law and shall conduct themselves at all times in a
1029 manner that promotes public confidence in the integrity and impartiality of the judiciary.
1030 C. Justices shall not allow their family, social, or other relationships to influence their judicial
1031 conduct or judgment.
1032 D. Justices shall not permit those under their control to convey the impression that they are in a
1033 special position to influence the decisions of the Court.
1034 E. Justices shall be faithful to the law and remain unbiased and nonpartisan.
1035 F. Justices shall maintain order and decorum in proceedings before them.
1036 G. Justices shall be patient, dignified, and courteous to those with whom they deal in an official
1037 capacity, and shall require similar conduct of those subject to their direction and control.
1038 H. Justices shall accord to every person who is involved in a proceeding, or their counsel, a full
1039 right to be heard according to law.
1040 I. Justices shall abstain from public comment about a pending proceeding in the Court. This does
1041 not prohibit Justices from making public statements in the course of their official duties or from
1042 explaining for public information the procedures of the Court.

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1044 Section 4. Responsibilities

- 1045 A. Determine questions of constitutionality and adherence to GPSA law as a result of official
1046 complaints
1047 B. Create a written record of all decisions and actions of the court to be maintained in the GPSA
1048 Office.
1049 C. Create an annual written report of the court to be included in the annual GPSA report.
1050 D. The court may, at its discretion, decline to hear cases that it deems are not appropriate under the
1051 Bylaws.
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- 1058 | ~~I.E.~~ Justices shall neither initiate nor consider communications from only one party of a pending or
1059 | impending proceeding.
- 1060 | ~~J.F.~~ Each Justice is charged with the duty of carefully reading and analyzing the pertinent submitted
1061 | material on each case in which he or she participates.
- 1062 | ~~K.~~ ~~Justices shall abstain from public comment about a pending proceeding in the Court. This does~~
1063 | ~~not prohibit Justices from making public statements in the course of their official duties or from~~
1064 | ~~explaining for public information the procedures of the Court.~~
- 1065 | ~~L.G.~~ Justices of the Court shall dispose promptly of the business of the Court.
- 1066 | ~~M.H.~~ Each Justice of the Court shall take or initiate appropriate disciplinary measures against any
1067 | other Justice for unprofessional conduct of which they become aware.
- 1068 | ~~N.I.~~ All official decisions and opinions of the Court shall be made in writing, made available to
1069 | GPSA officers, Representatives, and members, as well as the public upon request. Written
1070 | opinions must become part of the official Court Record and shall be made available to the
1071 | President, Council Chair, Council Representatives, and upon request to GPSA members and the
1072 | public.
- 1073 | ~~O.I.~~ Other duties as assigned by the GPSA Constitution

1074 | Section 5. Disqualification

- 1075 | A. A Justice is disqualified and shall announce recusal in any proceeding in which:
- 1076 | 1. The Justice has personal knowledge of disputed evidentiary facts concerning the proceeding.
- 1077 | 2. The Justice or the Justice's spouse/domestic partner, or a person related to the Justice within
1078 | the third degree, by blood, marriage, or other relationship to either the Justice or the Justice's
1079 | spouse/domestic partner:
- 1080 | a. Is a party to the proceeding, or an officer, director, or trustee of a party;
- 1081 | b. Is acting as legal counsel in the proceedings;
- 1082 | c. Is known by the Justice to have an interest that could substantially affect or be affected by
1083 | the outcome of the proceeding;
- 1084 | d. Is to the knowledge of the Justice likely to be a material witness in the proceeding;
- 1085 | 3. A party to the proceeding is an employee of the Justice.
- 1086 | B. Any Justice announcing recusal from any proceeding shall notify the Chief Justice of the recusal
1087 | in writing.
- 1088 | C. If the Chief Justice must announce recusal from any proceeding, the Chief Justice shall notify the
1089 | full Court of the recusal in writing.

1090 | Section 6. Non-judicial Activities

- 1091 | A. Justices may appear at a public hearing before an executive or legislative body, and may consult
1092 | with an executive or legislative body official, but only on matters concerning the administration
1093 | of justice.
- 1094 | B. Justices shall not act as arbitrators or mediators except in the performance of judicial duties.
- 1095 | C. Justices shall not accept any gift, bequest, favor, or loan other than ordinary social hospitality, if
1096 | the source of said gift, bequest, favor, or loan could imply or give the appearance of influencing
1097 | the decisions of the Court or otherwise give the appearance of impropriety.

1098 | Section 7. Resignation & Seniority