

PIAI Code of Conduct

A code of professional standards and ethics is central in guiding our association and its members through the private investigation industry. The purpose of this code of conduct is to provide the PIAI members with clear guidelines for operating as private investigators. It is also the purpose of this code of conduct to protect our association, its members, and the public from unethical private investigation practices in the state of Idaho.

The PIAI Code of Conduct is as follows:

1. We shall accept responsibility for our actions whether our actions result in positive or negative results for ourselves, our clients, or colleagues. This includes, but is not limited to, verifying the credentials of clients to ensure they have lawful reasons to request an investigation.
2. We shall not allow personal feelings, biases, or prejudices to influence or interfere with the facts disclosed through our investigations on any case where we are professionally retained.
3. We shall promote professionalism and integrity through our general demeanor when dealing with clients, the public, colleagues, and authorities.
4. We shall conduct all investigations within the boundaries of legality defined by the United States Constitution, the Idaho State Constitution, or the laws of Idaho and Federal Governments. We shall also perform investigations within the boundaries of professionalism and morality. Further, we shall not intentionally engage in the improper and unethical solicitation of business.
5. We shall, whenever possible, execute a written agreement with clients outlining costs, fees, retainers, and description of the services being provided. We shall also be above reproach in financial matters dealing with our clients or subcontractors.

6. We shall never disclose or betray the trust of clients, employers, or associates without consent, warrant, or subpoena.

7. We shall strive to advance the opportunity, experience, and education of private investigators in our association and ourselves. We shall never injure the reputation of other private investigators whether they are a part of our association or not.

I, _____, agree to the PIAI Code of Conduct as described above on this day, _____ (Month) _____ (Day) _____ (Year).

Signature

Organization

