

Southern University Law Center Clinic Policy on Conflict of Interest Policy on Policies

POLICY NUMBER

6-002

Responsible Unit:	Effective Date:
Office of Institutional Accountability and Accreditation	07/11/2017
Responsible Official:	Last Reviewed Date:
Vice – Chancellor for Institutional Accountability and Accreditation	01/06/2020
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Policy Classification:	Origination Date:
Governance	07/11/2017

I. POLICY STATEMENT AND RATIONALE

The purpose of this policy is to establish a standard to prevent conflicts of interest between Law Center clinic professors/attorneys and Clinic clients.

II. POLICY SCOPE

The Scope of this policy extends to the entire law center. This policy applies to all Law Center Clinical professors/attorneys and any non-clinical professor/attorney directing/supervising a legal clinic.

III. POLICY COMPLIANCE

A Southern University Law Center clinical professor/attorney and non-clinical professor/attorney shall not, at any time, for their own pecuniary interest, provide private legal services to any client that originates from the clinical client data base maintained by the Southern University Law Center Clinic.

IV. POLICY DEFINITIONS

Clinical Faculty: Full and part-time faculty employed to work with or within in the Office of Clinical Legal Education.

Non-Clinical Faculty/Professors of Law: Full and part-time faculty not employed to work with or within the Office of Clinical Legal Education, but have the approval of the Southern University Law Center to set up an independent legal clinic.

V. POLICY IMPLEMENTATION PROCEDURES

Policy Development, Review and Approval Process: The responsibility for the periodic development, review, and approval of this process shall lie with the Vice-Chancellor for Institutional Accountability and Accreditations. Said policy changes shall be made with the guidance of the Director of Clinical Legal Education and 3 full-time clinical faculty members so designated by the Vice-Chancellor for Institutional Accountability and Accreditations.

Policy Post-Approval Procedure: The Responsible Official shall forward the approved and signed system policy to the System's Office of Strategic Planning, Policy, and Institutional Effectiveness for inclusion in the Policy Manual and posting on the System's website.

VI. POLICY RELATED INFORMATION

Chancellor of the Southern University Law Center: The Chancellor shall be responsible to the Board through the President for the effective execution of all resolutions, policies, rules and regulations adopted by the Board for the administration and operation of the System and the governance of his campus, and all policies, rules, regulations, directives, and memoranda issued by the President. The Chancellor shall have the responsibility for developing and implementing educational, administrative and fiscal policies, procedures and programs for the campus, consistent with the policies of the Southern University System.

Vice-Chancellor for Institutional Accountability and Accreditation: Manages the administration of the accountability, assessment, and accreditation processes of the Law Center.

Policy Implementation Procedures: Application: This policy applies to all clinical and non-clinical faculty/professors of law.

VII. POLICY HISTORY AND REVIEW CYCLE

The effective date of this policy is determined by the approval dates and signatures of the Chancellor of the Southern University Law Center. This policy requires that all new and existing system policies be subject to a review within the five-year policy review cycle.

VIII. POLICY URL

This section identifies the Southern University Law Center System website where the system policies are archived - <u>www.sulc.edu</u>.

IX. POLICY APPROVAL

This section identifies the appropriate approval official(s).

Approval Official(s): The Chancellor of the Southern University Law Center in conjunction with the Vice-Chancellor of the Southern University Law Center for Institutional Accountability and Accreditation shall serve as the signature authorities for this policy.

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Effective Date of Revision

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