

CAAVA CODE OF ETHICS

Conduct and Comportment

1. **Propriety.** The CAAVA volunteer should maintain high standards of personal conduct in his/her capacity as an agent of the court.
2. **Competence.** The CAAVA volunteer should strive to become and remain proficient in the performance of CAAVA functions.
3. **Integrity.** The CAAVA volunteer should act in accordance with the highest standards of professional integrity.

Ethical Responsibility

4. **Confidentiality.** The CAAVA volunteer must maintain confidentiality and respect the privacy of others in all matters relating to case assignments.
5. **Respect, Fairness, Courtesy.** The CAAVA volunteer should treat all parties to the case with respect, courtesy, fairness and good faith.
6. **Use of Authority.** The CAAVA volunteer should make appropriate use of authority in his/her cases appointments, limiting the role of CAAVA to fulfilling responsibilities within the particular case.
7. **Development of Knowledge.** The CAAVA volunteer should take responsibility for identifying and developing knowledge and fully utilizing information for performance of the CAAVA role.
8. **Program Integrity.** The CAAVA volunteer should not represent his/her personal views or opinions as those of the program nor should the CAAVA volunteer refer to or use his/her with the program to advance his/her personal views in any proceedings unrelated to the case in which he/she was appointed as a CAAVA volunteer.