

## SECTION EIGHT – CYBERSECURITY INSTITUTE CODE OF ETHICS AND CONDUCT

You agree to abide by the following Code of Ethics and Conduct, numbers 1 through 19:

1. I will observe and honor any other code of ethics or conduct for the organizations I am a member of or employed by.
2. I will respect the confidential nature of any information, methodologies, or techniques that I become aware of in relation to computer forensics/forensic computing.
3. I will strive to keep my technical skills current.
4. I will be honest and forthright in my dealings with others.
5. I will not reveal facts, data or information without the prior consent of my client or employer except as authorized or required by law.
6. I will not accept compensation for my services based on contingency.
7. I will not permit the use of my name by, or associate in business ventures with, any person or firm that I believe to be engaged in fraudulent or dishonest practices.
8. I will perform services only in areas I am competent in. I will rely upon other qualified parties for assistance in matters that are beyond my area of expertise.
9. I will maintain custody and control over whatever materials are entrusted to my care.
10. I will refuse or terminate involvement in any work when I feel that I am being coerced into a particular opinion.
11. I will disclose all known or potential conflicts of interest that could influence or appear to influence my judgment or the quality of my services.
12. I will not falsify my qualifications or permit misrepresentation of my associates' qualifications, nor will I misrepresent or exaggerate my responsibilities in or for the subject matter of prior assignments, employment, or past accomplishments.
13. I will always acknowledge my errors and will not distort or alter the facts.
14. I am to be committed to the integrity of my profession, and will avoid situations in business or personal life where I might contribute to the wrongdoing of others or find myself viewed as a contributor to wrongdoing.
15. I will conduct my work based upon established, validated principles.
16. I will only render opinions that are demonstratively reasonable.
17. I will do my best to thoroughly examine and analyze all evidence, and will not withhold any of my findings, whether inculpatory or exculpatory.
18. I will provide assistance to those involved in my profession, as long as my assistance does not conflict with any other provision of this Code of Ethics and Conduct.
19. I will conform to all laws – federal, state, and local – pertinent to my profession. If I am unsure of the laws in a given situation, I will seek the assistance of legal counsel.

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**CSFA APPLICANT INITIALS:** \_\_\_\_\_