

# CONTRACTORS CODE OF PROFESSION

**Focus:** To seek excellence in all projects. To allow service rendered to triumph over personal glory, for not only the physical project but in the mental and spiritual understanding of its fruition. In this way, your chosen work becomes a meaningful contribution to service over self.

**Truthfulness:** The ideal contractor will only promise what can be reasonably delivered and only speak what is truthful, however painful the truth to the client may be. In so doing, no creative recollection of what was said or done is ever required. Truth always finds the lie. No man ever knows all the strong connections others have with those who keep their word, nor for those who habitually break them. Should any word of yours be broken, a hasty recompense is required, not suggested.

**Loyalty:** Be known for unwavering commitment to the people, ideals and projects you choose. There are many places where compromise is expected; loyalty is not amongst them. This includes your clients, employees, family, business associates, and any whom you believe to be worthy of loyalty.

**Justice:** Seek doing what is right, over having to be right, since that brings personal bias and boasting. In dealing with others, realize that resentment destroys

the vessel in which it is contained, so choose sound judgment with honorable confrontation. Reduce arguments to a discussion of the action, not the person and dwell far longer on the solution. When you do "right" without bending to frail temptation, you earn respect among clients and those seeking fair employ.

**Courage:** Being a contractor sometimes means you must choose the more difficult path, in an effort to bring lasting quality over expedience. Be prepared to make sacrifices for people and projects you value for the sake of outcome. Courage also means taking the side of truth in all matters.

**Faith:** A contractor must have faith in his beliefs, for faith roots him and gives hope against the shortcomings that all human beings deliver each other, often without intent. Seeing a deeper side of life brings deeper meaning to life.

**Humility:** Value first the contributions of others; do not boast of your own accomplishments, let others do this for you. Tell the deeds of others before your own, according them the good word rightfully earned. In this way, you support your role as a contractor and all who are truly worthy of being same.

**Generosity:** Share and be generous as your resources allow. Translating your contracting success into generosity counters self-indulgence and sets forth a giving example. It also gains favor among those critics ready to harshly judge the common label of "Successful but ungenerous". Your generosity attracts generosity.

**Character:** Seek stature of character by holding to the virtues and duties of a contractor, realizing that though the ideals may not be reached, the quality of striving towards them ennobles the spirit. Your character also influences others, offering an example of what can be accomplished while abiding by what is "right".

**Thankfulness:** In all things, recognize with humility the gifts given you in your family, your talent, your vision, and adherence to these goals. Be thankful each day, even in the harsh lessons for the project fraught with difficulty. For as a "right" contractor, you will forward both victory and difficulty into success, always seeking the job well done. Infuse thankfulness in others, keeping them focused on the positive spirit and willingness to serve better, build better, and be better. In so doing, you extend your virtue well beyond the day.

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