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Integrity and objectivity.

- (A) An Ohio permit holder shall maintain integrity and objectivity, shall not knowingly misrepresent facts, shall be free of conflicts of interest and shall not subordinate to others any professional judgment.
- (B) Notwithstanding rule 4701-11-01 of the Administrative Code, if an Ohio permit holder has a conflict of interest between the interest of a client or employer and another person, but the Ohio permit holder believes that professional services can be performed with integrity and objectivity, this rule shall not prohibit the performance of professional services by the Ohio permit holder if the conflict of interest is disclosed to, and consent is obtained from, such client or employer and the other person.
- (C) Disagreements over the application of acceptable alternatives permitted by the professional standards defined in Chapter 4701-9 of the Administrative Code do not result in any subordination of professional judgment.