

Practice Standards

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Section XI, Representation Standards for Postconviction Proceedings

XI. REPRESENTATION STANDARDS FOR POSTCONVICTION PROCEEDINGS

GOAL: To actively and effectively represent clients in postconviction proceedings by evaluating the case, conducting the appropriate investigation, and presenting all factual and legal issues that have a reasonable probability of resulting in the vacation of the client's conviction or materially improving his or her legal position. Attorneys representing clients in postconviction proceedings shall comply with the general standards for public defenders as well as these specific Standards and with Section 46-21-101 et seq.