

# BANGALORE PRINCIPLES

## PRINCIPLE 1

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### INDEPENDENCE

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Judicial independence is a prerequisite to the rule of law and a fundamental guarantee of a fair trial. A judge shall therefore uphold and exemplify judicial independence in both its individual and institutional aspects.

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## PRINCIPLE 2

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## IMPARTIALITY

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Impartiality is essential to the proper discharge of the judicial office. It applies not only to the decision itself but also to the process by which the decision is made.

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## PRINCIPLE 3

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### INTEGRITY

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Integrity is essential  
to the proper discharge  
of the judicial office.

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## PRINCIPLE 4

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### PROPRIETY

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Propriety, and the appearance of propriety, are essential to the performance of all of the activities of a judge.

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## PRINCIPLE 5

### EQUALITY

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Ensuring equality of treatment to all before the courts is essential to the due performance of the judicial office.

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## PRINCIPLE 6

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### COMPETENCE AND DILIGENCE

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Competence and diligence  
are prerequisites to  
the due performance of  
judicial office.

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