

## **Proposed Amendments to SJC Rule 3:11, Committee on Judicial Ethics**

The Justices invite public comment on proposed amendments to SJC Rule 3:11, which establishes and governs the Committee on Judicial Ethics (CJE). The amendments would add a provision permitting any organization or association composed of judges or lawyers to request an Informal Opinion from the CJE concerning contemplated conduct. The request may not pose a question on behalf of a specific judge. The provisions permitting an organization or association to request an Ethics Advisory from the Justices remain unchanged. A redlined version of the rule showing the proposed amendments appears at the link below.

Comments, which will be made available to the public, are due by November 2, 2016, and should be directed to SJC Senior Attorney Barbara Berenson at [barbara.berenson@jud.state.ma.us](mailto:barbara.berenson@jud.state.ma.us).

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