

**AMENDMENTS TO THE
OHIO CODE OF JUDICIAL CONDUCT**

The following amendments to the Ohio Code of Judicial Conduct (Jud. Cond. Rule 4.4) were adopted by the Supreme Court of Ohio. The history of these amendments is as follows:

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| March 25, 2019 | Initial publication for public comment |
| May 8, 2019 | Final adoption by conference |
| June 1, 2019 | Effective date of amendments |

Key to Adopted Amendments:

1. Unaltered language appears in regular type. Example: text
2. Language that has been deleted appears in strikethrough. Example: ~~text~~
3. New language that has been added appears in underline. Example: text

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RULE 4.4 Campaign Solicitations and Contributions

[Existing language unaffected by the amendments is omitted to conserve space]

(E) The campaign committee of a *judicial candidate* may begin soliciting and receiving *contributions* no earlier than one hundred ~~twenty~~ eighty days before the first Tuesday after the first Monday in May of the year in which the general election is held. If the general election is held in 2012 or any fourth year thereafter, the campaign committee of a *judicial candidate* may begin soliciting and receiving *contributions* no earlier than one hundred ~~twenty~~ eighty days before the ~~first~~ second Tuesday after the first Monday in March of the year in which the general election is held. Except as provided in divisions (F) and (G) of this rule, the solicitation and receipt of *contributions* may continue until one hundred twenty days after the general election.

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(H) Notwithstanding any provision of division (E) of this rule to the contrary, a *judicial candidate* may do either or both of the following:

(1) Not more than ninety days prior to the commencement of the one hundred ~~twenty~~ eighty-day fundraising period described in division (E) of this rule, contribute personal funds to his or her campaign committee;

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FORM OF CITATION, EFFECTIVE DATE, APPLICATION

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(N) The amendments to Jud. Cond. Rule 4.4(E) and (H)(1), adopted on May 8, 2019, shall take effect on June 1, 2019. The amended date upon which campaign committees may begin soliciting and receiving campaign contributions shall apply to fundraising on behalf of judicial candidates who campaign for election to judicial offices that will appear on the ballot in 2020 and subsequent years.