

# NBBLO CODE OF ETHICS

## *Members shall:*

- Be dedicated to the concept of effective and democratic local government by responsible officials and to promote professional general management essential to the achievement of this objective.
- Affirm the dignity and worth of the services rendered by government and maintains a constructive, creative, and practical attitude toward urban affairs with a deep sense of social responsibility as a trusted public servant.
- Be dedicated to the highest ideals of honor and integrity in all public and personal relationships in order that the member may merit the respect and confidence of citizens, elected officials and all public servants.
- Recognize that the chief function of local government is to serve and act in the best interest of the citizenry.
- Develop and advise on policy, provide facts as a basis for making decisions and setting community goals, and upholding the implementation of municipal policies.
- Refrain from participating in the election of members of the employing legislative body, and from all local partisan political activities that would impair performance as a professional licensing official.
- Make it a goal to improve the member's professional performance and to develop the knowledge and expertise of fellow associates.
- Provide efficient, prompt, and quality service to the community in an effort to exceed customer's expectations.
- Resist any encroachment on professional responsibilities, believing the member should be free to carry out official policies without interference, and handle each problem without discrimination on the basis of principle and justice.
- Seek no favor; believe that personal gratification or profit secured by confidential information or by misuse of public time is dishonest.
- Uphold Federal, State, and local laws for the betterment of my community and for the health, peace, safety, and welfare of its residents.
- So conduct my public and private life as to set a positive example to my fellow citizens and in a manner respectful to my position as a public official.
- Impart to my profession those standards of quality and integrity that the conduct of the affairs of office shall be above reproach and to merit public confidence in our community.
- Be ever mindful of my neutrality and impartiality, rendering equal service to all and to extend the same treatment I wish to receive.
- Record that which is true and preserve that which is entrusted to me as if it were my own.
- Strive constantly to improve the administration of the affairs of my office consistent with applicable laws and through sound management practices to produce continued progress and so fulfill my responsibilities to my community and others.