1/69 Judicare representation policy

The Professional Ethics Committee approved the statement of policy proposed by Wisconsin Judicare relative to the matter of attorneys refusing to represent Judicare clients:

Standard A—It shall be improper conduct for an attorney who represents Judicare clients under the schedule of attorney's fees and costs in Judicare matters to reject Judicare clients and at the same time advise them that he would be willing to accept them as clients upon their paying his customary fees.

Standard B—It is improper conduct for an attorney to reject a client for the sole reason that he requests service under the Judicare program. In resolving whether to accept or reject potential clients under the Judicare program, attorneys are requested to examine Ethical Considerations 2-16 and 2-25, Code of Professional Responsibility.