

# Code of Christian Conduct

It is Project Defending Life Inc.'s policy to be staffed, whether by employees or volunteers, with committed disciples of Jesus Christ. Every director, employee, and volunteer is expected to review and affirm his or her agreement with these standards as a condition of continued affiliation with Project Defending Life, Inc., both in terms of doctrinal beliefs and practical application. Violation of this Code shall constitute cause for discipline, up to and including termination.

- We are conscious that everything we do has the potential to reflect upon Project Defending Life, Inc.
- We conduct ourselves at all times with openness, forthrightness, and honesty in dealing with people and organizations, both internally and externally.
- We hold ourselves to professional standards of conduct, always striving to avoid even the appearance of impropriety. "...set an example for believers (and unbelievers) in speech, in life, in love, in faith, and in purity." (I Timothy 4:12b) "Whatever happens, conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ." (Philemon 1:27)
- We respect confidentiality and only disclose information as required by law or as authorized by our clients.
- We treat others with kindness, compassion, and in a caring and courteous manner.
- We believe in the sanctity of and right to life from the moment of conception to natural death.
- We do not recommend or refer for direct abortion.
- We do not recommend or refer for artificial birth control. We promote Natural Family Planning.
- We believe the Bible is the authoritative Word of God and provides guidance for our lives, as interpreted by the Magisterium of the Catholic Church.
- We believe in the sanctity of marriage between one man and one woman, as taught in the Bible (Matthew 19:3-12) and in Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC 1601 - 1654, 2335, 2363). Therefore, all staff and volunteers commit to a chaste lifestyle appropriate to their station in life.