

Resolution 36
Regarding the ABA Commission on Multi-Jurisdictional Practice

WHEREAS, the states' highest courts regard consumer protection and an effective system of professional regulation as one of their prime responsibilities; and

WHEREAS, the Commission on Multi-Jurisdictional Practice (the MJP Commission) has outlined a series of steps to improve the American Bar Association's model rules on the practice of law and the regulation of the profession; and

WHEREAS, the Commission's report emphasizes and reaffirms the central role of state courts in implementing improvements in law practice and professional responsibility.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that

1. The Conference of Chief Justices commends the proposals of the MJP Commission as a good platform on which states can build more effective, more predictable regulation; and
2. The Conference of Chief Justices asks its representative in the ABA's House of Delegates vote to adopt the recommendations of the MJP Commission.

Adopted as proposed by the Multi-Disciplinary/Multi-Jurisdictional Committee of the Conference of Chief Justices in Rockport, Maine at its 54th Annual Meeting on August 1, 2002.