

**Resolution 6
In Support of the American Inns of Court Movement**

WHEREAS, the American Inns of Court fosters excellence in professionalism, ethics, civility, and legal skills for judges, lawyers, academicians, and students of the law in order to enhance the quality, availability, and efficiency of justice in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the American Inns of Court engages over 28,000 members on a monthly basis in over 280 separate Inns in the United States in an educational forum that promotes its core values and provides an opportunity for mentoring young lawyers; and

WHEREAS, the American Inns of Court shapes a culture of excellence in American jurisprudence by promoting a commitment to professionalism, ethics, civility, and legal skills in the practice of law, and transmits these values from one generation of lawyers to the next; and

WHEREAS, the Conference previously commended the American Inns of Court with Resolution XV in 1995; and

WHEREAS, since 1995, the American Inns of Court has expanded its scope, increased its membership, and consequently enhanced its positive effect upon the legal profession;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Conference of Chief Justices commends the American Inns of Court for its commitment and dedication to improving the professionalism, ethics, civility, and legal skills of judges, lawyers, academicians, and students of the law; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Conference encourages judges and experienced lawyers to become involved in such organizations; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Conference encourages members of the bench and bar to become actively involved in promoting the mission and goals of the American Inns of Court.

Adopted as proposed by the Professionalism and Competence of the Bar Committee at the CCJ Midyear Meeting, January 26, 2011.