WITNESS SYSTEMS, INC. CODE OF BUSINESS CONDUCT AND ETHICS

General Integrity

To maintain and enhance Witness Systems' reputation for integrity in its business, it is vital for each of us to adhere to the highest moral, ethical and legal standards. Honesty and integrity are the backbone of our relationship with our employees, stockholders, suppliers, customers and governmental authorities. This policy is a formal statement of the ethical conduct and common sense standards that set the tone for all of Witness Systems' business activities. The standards presented are intended as guidelines and obviously cannot cover every situation in our business environment. Witness Systems is committed to these principles of ethical business conduct and any questionable practices should be evaluated in this light. This Code of Business Conduct and Ethics will be made publicly available by posting on the Company's web site.

Compliance with Laws and Regulations

Compliance with the law is essential. While acting on behalf of Witness Systems, you must comply with the applicable rules and regulations of federal, state and local governments and of appropriate public and private regulatory agencies or organizations. You should not take any action on behalf of the Company that you know, or reasonably believe, violates any governmental laws, rules, or regulations.

While Witness Systems does not expect you to be an expert in law and governmental regulations, we do expect you to take reasonable precautions. When there is question or doubt regarding a particular action, you should obtain clarification from your department manager. In all cases, Witness Systems expects a good faith effort to follow the spirit and intent of this policy and the law.

Accounting Practices

Witness Systems will follow generally accepted accounting practices and controls. The books of account, budgets and similar records must accurately reflect these practices and controls. All assets of the company should be accounted for carefully and properly. No payment of company funds shall be approved if it is known that it will be made contrary to this policy. The company's independent auditors will be given access to all information necessary for them to properly conduct their audits.

Employees are responsible for maintaining accurate records regarding the financial and administrative transactions of the Company. To ensure that accurate financial and administrative information is maintained, employees should not permit or take any action that would result in the inaccurate recording of entries in Company books, records and ledgers. No asset, fund, expenditure, or account should be established unless it is accurately reflected in the records of the Company.

Financial activities are to be recorded in compliance with all applicable laws and accounting practices and shall be maintained for the time period required by the Internal Revenue Code and other applicable laws. All prepared financial statements and reports submitted to the Securities and Exchange Commission and to the public must be full, fair, accurate, timely and understandable.

Antitrust and Trade Regulations

Witness Systems is committed to the letter and spirit of applicable antitrust and trade laws and regulations. Business activities must be conducted in a fair and equitable manner.

Under no circumstance should you or an individual employed with Witness Systems? be party to any agreement, collusion or concerted activity of any type involving any competitor, customer, or any other party, that restrains trade or is in violation of the antitrust laws and regulations designed to foster competition. Prohibited activities include price fixing; predatory pricing; allocation of customers; allocation of territories; group boycotts; monopolization; price discrimination; or any attempts to engage in such conduct.

Any discussion, action, or transaction that may involve prohibited conduct should be avoided and any knowledge of such conduct should be reported immediately to the company's General Counsel, Loren Wimpfheimer. Any questions about what is permissible conduct should be raised with the General Counsel before any action is taken.

Insider Trading

The Securities and Exchange Act prohibits Witness Systems' insiders in possession of "inside information" from engaging in securities transactions. To ensure Witness Systems is in compliance with all regulations regarding stock transactions, the Company has established a separate Insider Trading Policy (which, among other things, contains a policy that requires all officers to pre-clear their trades), which should be carefully reviewed by you prior to the buying or selling company stock. The policy is available from your personnel file in the Human Resources Department.

Compliance with Internal Policies and Procedures

The various internal Company policies and procedures define how we conduct business and how various business tasks are to be performed. To ensure our operations are conducted in a consistent and high quality manner, employees must comply with these policies and procedures in performing their job responsibilities. Internal policies and procedures should not conflict with the basic provisions of Witness Systems' Policy on Business Ethics.

Anti-Fraud Policies

You are prohibited from engaging in any scheme to defraud any person or organization of money, property, or the honest services of another. The making of any false or fraudulent statements to a government official or concealing a material fact from a government official is also prohibited.

Contracts and Agreements

All contracts and agreements entered into by Witness Systems must be in compliance with all applicable laws and regulations. Contracts with outside parties must be in writing and should include a complete description of all obligations of the various parties as well as details

on fees. Witness Systems' attorneys should review contracts in the negotiation stage, prior to final approval and execution.

Use of Funds and Assets

Witness Systems' funds and assets should not be used for any unlawful or unauthorized purpose. The payment or receipt of bribes, kickbacks, secret commissions, unauthorized gratuities or other unethical payments is prohibited. The use of funds for non-company purposes is prohibited.

Assets (both tangible and intangible, including but not limited to Witness Systems' property, vehicles, equipment, software, and the Witness Systems name) should only be used for business activities. Any exceptions to this policy on the use of assets should be documented in writing and approved by the General Counsel prior to the event.

Purchasing

In general, all Witness Systems purchases should be made strictly on the basis of quality, suitability, service, price and efficiency. Suppliers should be treated fairly and equitably. It is the policy of Witness Systems to award orders and contracts on the basis of merit and without favoritism. Purchases and contracts with companies owned or controlled by employees are allowed as long as the transaction fully complies with the conflict of interest provisions of this policy and are entered into upon the same terms and conditions available to any other supplier. These purchases must also meet all of the specified standards of quality, suitability, service, price, and efficiency.

Employee Expenses

You must comply with our policies, which are intended to comply with all applicable Internal Revenue Code (IRC) standards and requirements, when reporting your authorized travel, entertainment, business, and relocation expenses. The travel, relocation and other applicable policies are designed to ensure compliance with the IRC standards. You are required to conform to policies when incurring and reporting business expenses. Any questions or issues not specifically covered by the policies should be referred to the Chief Financial Officer, Bill Evans, or his designee prior to the expense(s) being incurred.

Gifts to Employees

Gifts to employees from Witness Systems are prohibited, except for gifts given routinely in connection with maintaining positive employee relations (including, by way of example, gifts in recognition of marriage, birth of a child, illness, condolence, etc.), or as part of a Human Resources- or Senior Management-approved employee incentive program. The term "gift" may include such items as incentives, money, clothing, consumables, entertainment, and merchandise. Senior management reserves the exclusive right to grant exceptions to this policy if it can be shown that a deviation is both warranted and in the best interests of Witness Systems

Gifts to Outside Parties

A. <u>Personal Gift-Giving</u>. You are generally not restricted from giving personal gifts to outside parties. A "personal gift" is a gift item that does not belong to Witness Systems nor

was purchased using company funds. However, personal gift-giving is discouraged in those situations where Witness Systems has actual or potential business dealings with an individual or organization.

- B. <u>Company Gift-Giving</u>. Gifts given by Witness Systems to an individual using corporate funds or assets must comply with Internal Revenue Policy on gift-giving and must be approved in writing by senior management prior to the conveyance. Any gift that exceeds \$500 in value must have the advance written approval of either the Chief Executive Officer, President, Chief Financial Officer or the General Counsel. Employees should not use their personal funds to circumvent these standards.
- C. <u>Political Gift-Giving</u>. The giving of gifts by Witness Systems either directly or indirectly, including the offering or promising of value to a public official (either domestic or foreign) with intent to influence the public official, or as a result of an official act performed, or to be performed, by the public official is prohibited.

Communications with Management

Witness Systems is committed to keeping lines of communication open with employees. Significant or sensitive issues (operational, financial, personnel or other) facing Witness Systems or its employees should be promptly communicated to a member of the Senior Management Team.

Contact and Communication with the Media

Witness Systems will respond in a timely, accurate, and appropriate manner to all legitimate requests for information from the media or any other external organization, association, or individual. All such requests should be referred to the Chief Financial Officer or Chief Executive Officer. Any public announcements to the media or other external groups will be made only by our Vice President for Investor Relations, Ryan Hollenbeck, or our General Counsel.

Advertising and Promotions

Witness Systems will not engage in any unfair competition or deceptive advertising practices. All claims of fact made in advertising should be substantiated by supporting data before they are made.

Political Activities

- A. <u>Domestic</u>. While Witness Systems has a significant interest in many governmental issues on a local, state and national level, there are laws that dictate the degree of involvement of the Company and its employees in political activities. Any proposed payments or transactions on behalf of or in the name of Witness Systems to any government officials or candidates for public office or for public referendums must be reviewed and approved in writing by the Chief Executive Officer.
- B. <u>International</u>. Witness Systems may make political contributions to candidates and committees in certain foreign countries. Prior to such contributions being made, however, approval of the General Counsel is required.

Disclosure of Confidential Information

As a publicly-owned company, Witness Systems is subject to strict securities laws regarding the dissemination of information about the company to the public. In addition, the company's ability to compete depends upon our ability to maintain confidential information. In addition, release of confidential information without authorization could violate a person's right to privacy, cause Witness Systems to suffer financial loss, or create a potentially embarrassing situation. In conversations (business and personal) you should limit disclosures to information which has been publicly released by the company and should not disclose to unauthorized persons or entities any confidential business information regarding operations, finances, customers, or employees. Moreover, you may not make use of such information to further personal interests. Unauthorized persons and entities could include other employees and non-employees, as well as other companies and organizations not specifically authorized to receive such information. Only authorized Company personnel (as designated by senior management) should release information to the public. If there is any question as to whether information should be released, consult the General Counsel.

Relations with Outside Parties

Employees may personally accept business-related gifts, provided that they are customarily employed with ethical business practice and do not place the employee or Witness Systems under any obligation to the donor. As used in this section, business-related gifts are anything of value and include, but are not limited to, normal services, cash, merchandise, travel, and entertainment. Business-related gifts valued in excess of \$100 are discouraged, but if received, they must be reported in writing to the General Counsel within ten days of receipt. If, in the sole discretion of the General Counsel, a business gift creates or appears to create a conflict of interest, or to any degree impairs the objective business judgment of an employee, then the General Counsel reserves the sole and exclusive right in the case of a tangible gift to claim the gift and the gift shall become the property of Witness Systems.

Employee Relations

We are committed to a policy of equal opportunity and will not tolerate discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, veteran status, disability, gender, religion, sexual orientation or any other characteristic protected by law. We will comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws and regulations regarding employment practices. We will provide a safe and healthy work place for our employees who will be compensated in a fair and equitable manner.

Each employee should treat other employees in a humane manner without regard to race, color, national origin, age, veteran status, disability, gender, religion, sexual orientation or any other forms of discrimination.

Witness Systems will provide a work environment that is free of discrimination and harassment. Any employee who violates Witness Systems' policies will be subject to discipline, up to and including termination.

Stockholder Relations

Witness Systems is owned by stockholders who have invested in the Company's stock. We are accountable to them. We are obligated to keep them informed concerning matters affecting the company. They deserve good corporate governance. A key aspect of our corporate governance structure is having our board of directors comprised primarily of independent directors who as a result of their experience, knowledge and skill can adequately represent the interests of stockholders and guide management.

Conflicts of Interest

The term "conflict of interest" refers to any circumstance which would cast doubt on your ability to act objectively when representing the Company's interest. You should not use your position or association with Witness Systems for your own or your family's personal gain and should avoid situations in which their personal interests (or those of your family) conflict or overlap, or appear to conflict or overlap, with Witness Systems' best interests.

Significant ownership in a firm with which Witness Systems does business could give rise to a conflict of interest. Moreover, you or a relative may not receive any kickback, bribe, substantial gift, or special consideration as a result of any transaction or business dealings involving Witness Systems.

Business dealings with outside firms should not result in unusual gains for those firms. Unusual gain refers to bribes, special fringe benefits, unusual price breaks, and other windfalls designed to ultimately benefit either Witness or you, or both.

Some examples of situations which could give rise to a conflict of interest are given below. These examples do not limit the general scope of this policy.

- ♦ Concurrent employment by Witness Systems and any other business if such employment encroaches materially on time or attention which should be devoted to the Company's affairs.
- Concurrent employment by Witness Systems and any other business that is a present or potential competitor, customer, supplier of goods or services, or contractor of Witness Systems or receipt of compensation from any such business.
- ♦ Holding of a financial interest in any present or potential competitor, customer, supplier, or contractor unless the business or enterprise in which you hold a financial interest is publicly owned and the financial interest constitutes less than 10 percent of the equity securities of that business or enterprise.
- ◆ Acceptance of a membership on the Board of Directors or serving as a consultant or advisor to any board of any management of a business which is a present or potential competitor, customer, supplier, or contractor unless approved in writing by the Chief Executive Officer.
- Engaging in any transaction involving Witness Systems from which t you can benefit, financially or otherwise, apart from regular compensation received in the usual course of business. This prohibition is intended to include lending or borrowing of money,

guaranteeing debts, or accepting gifts, entertainment, or favors from a present or potential competitor, customer, supplier, or contractor.

- Use or disclosure to a third party of any unpublished information obtained by you in connection with your employment for personal benefit.
- ♦ Commission of any act which is considered illegal under the laws of the United States or a foreign jurisdiction when dealing on behalf of Witness Systems.

Each potential conflict of interest will be considered individually, and the final decision as to the existence of a conflict will be made by the Chief Executive Officer.

Ownership of Computer Resources and Software

Computer programs and routines that are developed by employees as part of their job responsibilities are the property of Witness Systems. Witness Systems retains all rights to such software.

Some software utilized at Witness Systems is licensed by the vendor for use according to specific software licensing agreements. It is Witness Systems' intention to comply with all requirements of software licensing agreements. Unauthorized use, modification, or copying of licensed software documentation by you is prohibited. Software that has been illegally copied or altered is not to be used on any Witness Systems computer equipment.

Reporting Violations of the Business Conduct Policy

If you feel that you or another individual has violated this policy, the action must be reported immediately to the General Counsel. The General Counsel will review the issue and either take action directly or forward it to the appropriate party for investigation and ultimate resolution. All inquiries will be appropriately investigated with due regard for the concerns of all involved, and will be kept as confidential as possible given the nature of the situation. The results of significant investigations will be communicated to the Chief Executive Officer.

It is Witness Systems' intent to protect innocent parties in their reporting of violations. Employees who, in good faith, report a suspected violation will not be subjected to retaliation as a result of their actions. Accordingly, no report made in good faith to our Compliance Officer, Loren Wimpfheimer, or to our Deputy Compliance Officer, Brian Leslie, will result in any adverse employment or other action against the person making the report. Any employee who believes that he or she has been subjected to adverse employment or other action because of actions relating to reporting possible violations by or affecting the Company should report that belief immediately to the Compliance Officer or Deputy Compliance Officer. In situations in which the reporting party is personally involved in the violation, Witness Systems will consider whether some measure of leniency in disciplinary actions is appropriate, based on the severity of the violation and the level of cooperation provided by the employee.

Enforcement of Code of Business Conduct and Ethics

This Code of Business Conduct and Ethics shall be enforced through consistent and prompt inquiry and investigation by the Compliance Officer and Deputy Compliance Officer of reported violations, with a goal of achieving comparable treatment for infractions that they deem

comparable in type or severity. They shall employ clear and objective enforcement standards to the extent feasible. As needed, the Compliance Officer and Deputy Compliance Officer will consult with the Director of Human Resources, Mike Lieb, or outside advisors in determining whether enforcement in particular cases should be effected though employment sanctions, which may range from informal warnings to termination of employment or referral for prosecution. They will also be responsible for maintaining our anti-retaliation policy, and may employ outside services, such as the whistleblower hotline used by our Audit Committee, as a means of maintaining confidentiality, if necessary. If, in any case, they determine to waive the application of this Code of Business Conduct and Ethics, the Company will make prompt disclosure of any such waiver as required by law.

Compliance Audits

While all employees are expected to abide by the provisions of this Business Conduct policy, there will be periodic reviews made by our auditors and others, when appropriate, to ensure that compliance is achieved in all operations.

Actions for Non-Compliance

All issues of non-compliance with this policy will be reviewed and evaluated according to the circumstances and severity of the problem. Senior management will take actions as it deems appropriate, which can include disciplinary action up to and including termination, legal action, and other measures. The Company will immediately notify The Nasdaq Stock Market of any material non-compliance of this Code of Business Conduct and Ethics. Any waivers of this Code of Business Conduct and Ethics for actions by any director or Executive Officer must be approved by the entire Board of Directors. Any such waivers will be disclosed on a Form 8-K, or such other disclosure permitted or required by the NASD or Securities and Exchange Commission.

Setting the Tone at the Top

The Executive Officers including, but not limited to, Chief Executive Officer, Chief Operating Officer and Chief Financial Officer, as leaders within Witness Systems, are charged with the additional responsibility to set the tone for ethical conduct throughout the Company by complying with the following:

- 1. Creating an environment within the Company in which compliance with this Business Conduct Policy is treated as a serious obligation and policy breaches will be not tolerated.
- 2. Adhering to and promoting the best of corporate governance practices in exercising oversight of the Company. This includes recommending updates to this policy to reflect evolving standards for ethical business operations and the behaviors of employees.
- 3. Educating employees about applicable rules and regulations and monitoring compliance with these requirements.
- 4. Establishing procedures for employees to report possible wrongdoing to senior management.

5. Reporting irregularities, deficiencies in the Company's internal controls, and violations to the Audit Committee and the Board of Directors.

Follow-up

This Code of Business Conduct and Ethics will be disseminated throughout the Company, and the Compliance Officer will distribute copies to serve as a reminder and to further assure compliance, at least annually. Managers should encourage employees to discuss with them any questions regarding compliance with this policy. Employees are encouraged to be candid with management if they believe there are violations of this policy, regardless of how insignificant it may be.

Managers should review this policy with their employees annually and discuss any indications of unethical conduct with the Compliance Officer or Deputy Compliance Officer.