

## APPENDIX A      PROCUREMENT CODE OF ETHICS

### Colorado School of Mines Procurement Code of Ethics

Any person employed by the Colorado School of Mines who purchases *goods* and *services*, or is involved in the purchasing process for the University, shall be bound by this code and shall:

1. Avoid the intent and appearance of unethical or compromising practice in relationships, actions, and communications;
2. Demonstrate loyalty to the Colorado School of Mines by diligently following all lawful instructions while using professional judgment, reasonable care, and exercising only the authority granted;
3. Conduct all purchasing activities in accordance with the laws, while remaining alert to and advising the Colorado School of Mines regarding the legal ramifications of the purchasing decisions;
4. Refrain from any private or professional activity that would create a conflict between personal interests and the interests of the Colorado School of Mines;
5. Identify and strive to eliminate participation of any individual in operational situations where a conflict of interest may be involved;
6. Never solicit or accept money, loans, credits, or prejudicial discounts, and avoid the acceptance of gifts, entertainment, favors, or *services* from present or potential suppliers which might influence or appear to influence purchasing decisions;
7. Promote positive supplier relationships through impartiality in all phases of the purchasing cycle;
8. Display the highest ideals of honor and integrity in all public and personal relationships in order to merit the respect and inspire the confidence of the public being served;
9. Provide an environment where all *business* concerns, large or small, majority- or minority-owned, are afforded an equal opportunity to compete for Colorado School of Mines business; and,
10. Enhance the proficiency and stature of the purchasing profession by adhering to the highest standards of ethical behavior.