## **COUNCIL STATEMENTS**

Periodically, the Council issues Statements intended to provide law schools with guidance on a variety of issues. These Statements are advisory in nature only. They are not and should not be considered the equivalent of Standards, Interpretations, and Rules for the Approval of Law Schools.

## 9. Interference in Law School Clinical Activities

Improper attempts by persons or institutions outside law schools to interfere in the ongoing activities of law school clinical programs and courses have an adverse impact on the quality of the educational mission of affected law schools and jeopardize principles of law school self-governance, academic freedom, and ethical independence under the ABA Code of Professional Responsibility. In appropriate ways, the Council shall assist law schools in preserving the independence of law school clinical programs and courses.