

NPPA Adds Anti-Harassment Standard to Code of Ethics

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The National Press Photographers Association added an anti-harassment standard to its Code of Ethics during its summer board meeting held Saturday, July 22, 2017. The board also voted to have elected board members balanced between video/broadcast representatives and still/print representatives.

The anti-harassment standard added to the Code of Ethics states: "Do not engage in harassing behavior of colleagues, subordinates or subjects and maintain the highest standards of behavior in all professional interactions.

The board unanimously passed the resolution and acknowledged that harassing colleagues and subordinates, whether in the form of intimidation, sexual harassment, or harassment on the basis of race, religion, gender or national origin, is an insidious form of professional misconduct that harms the careers of those who are subjected to it.

"I'm so proud that the leadership of NPPA recognized how destructive harassment is to those who are subjected to it, and that the board agreed that there is no room in this profession for that kind of behavior. " said Alicia Calzada, former NPPA president and a legal counsel to the NPPA.

The NPPA Code of Ethics is the keystone of the association and all members agree to abide by the code when they apply for membership. The code is often cited by media commentators, especially when dealing with issues of image manipulation and photojournalists' interaction with subjects.

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