



# Press Release

## *The Florida Bar Approves Legal Outsourcing*

### Ius Juris submissions to *The Florida Bar* well received and agreed upon

Orlando, Florida, U. S. A., July 28, 2008: **The Florida Bar** agreed that Florida attorneys are not prohibited from engaging the services of an overseas provider, as long as the lawyers adequately address the ethical obligations they have. The Opinion of the Bar's Professional Ethics Committee was approved by the Board of Governors of **The Florida Bar** during their meeting at Clearwater, Florida on July 25, 2008. **Ius Juris, LLC**, a leading LPO headquartered in Orlando, Florida, with its offshore offices in Kolkata, India, was the only LPO to make formal written and oral submissions to both the full Professional Ethics Committee as well as the Board Review Committee of **The Florida Bar**.

**Ius Juris** ([www.iusjuris.com](http://www.iusjuris.com)) had made submissions addressing the relevant ethical obligations Florida attorneys have and need to comply with. These obligations relate to

- a. The need to adequately supervise the non-lawyer;
- b. The need to act competently and exercise independent judgment;
- c. The client's confidences and secrets need to be preserved;
- d. Avoid conflicts of interest;
- e. Bill for the outsourcing work appropriately; and
- f. When and where necessary, obtain advance client consent to outsourcing.

In approving legal outsourcing, **The Florida Bar** joins the findings, opinions and rulings of the **Los Angeles County Bar Association** (June 2006), the **Bar of the City of New York** (August 2006) and the **San Diego County Bar Association** (January 2007). All these rulings and opinions, together with **The Florida Bars'** Final Opinion (07-2) and the full written submissions of **Ius Juris**, can be found at the "Resources" page of the **Ius Juris** website.

Kiran Chhaganlal, C. E. O. of ***Ius Juris, LLC***, appeared before the full Professional Ethics Committee of The Florida Bar in late June 2007 to speak on this matter and make formal submissions on the topic. He also appeared before the Board of Governors Review Committee in late July 2008 in their deliberations in finalizing the Opinion. Mr. Chhaganlal said “We are particularly gratified that our submissions have been taken on board, and that Florida attorneys can now safely take advantage of the immense benefits offered by legal outsourcing. The Florida Bar Opinion makes clear the relevant ethical obligations upon Florida attorneys when outsourcing.”

Mr. Chhaganlal further stated “***Ius Juris***, in providing its service to its clients, goes above and beyond the ethics obligations the Florida attorney needs to comply with. We thus help ensure our clients more than meet these obligations. In doing so, we at ***Ius Juris*** continue to prove our ability to not only deliver significant cost reductions as well as time savings to our clients, but also a high quality of service. Our US-based staff is able to provide the professional local touch with our clients and supervise our quality controls. Our offshore infrastructure and highly skilled legal processing staff provide rapid turnaround, cost efficiencies and high-quality deliverables.”

**About The Florida Bar - *The Florida Bar***, with more than 84,000 members, is the statewide professional and regulatory organization for lawyers in the State of Florida.

**About Ius Juris, LLC – *Ius Juris, LLC*** ([www.iusjuris.com](http://www.iusjuris.com)) offers legal process outsourcing services to in-house corporate legal departments and private practice attorneys and law firms. The Company has its headquarters in Orlando, Florida, and its offshore infrastructure in Kolkata (formally known as Calcutta), India. ***Ius Juris*** has been recognized by ***Brown & Wilson’s “The Black Book of Outsourcing”***, an independent outsourcing industry guide, as among the top ten legal process outsourcing firms globally in its 2007 annual survey.

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