Where the evidence sustained charges of an attorney's misconduct and indicated that he fled the state to escape prosecution thereon, disbarment was justified even though prior to his flight he had been acquitted on one of the charges. An attorney may be disbarred for conduct indicative of moral unfitness whether such conduct be relative to the profession or otherwise. In re Heinze, 233 M 391, 47 NW(2d) 123.

Attorneys as officers of the court are subject to inherent supervisory jurisdiction which embraces the power to remove from the profession those practitioners who are unfaithful or incompetent in the discharge of their trust. Gardner v Conway, 234 M 468, 48 NW(2d) 788.

A lack of absolute integrity in the handling of a client's funds and in conducting financial transactions with others, whether it stems from the habitual and excessive use of liquor or from an innate weakness of character, disqualifies a lawyer from continuing the practice of his profession. In re Boland, M 57 NW(2d) 809.

Where an attorney's record, professional and otherwise, was practically unblemished prior to conviction for criminal negligence in the operation of an automobile, the attorney would not be disbarred but merely suspended from the practice of law for six months. In re Swagler, M, 58 NW(2d) 272.

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REVISOR OF STATUTES

"When in 1945 the legislature adopted and enacted the compilation and revision of the general statutes of this state as the 'Minnesota Revised Statutes,' it thereby recognized and declared the same to be an official compilation, revision, and code. As such, the language chosen and used in the revised statutes must be given effect as the latest expression of the legislative will. Where the statutory language is clear and unambiguous, there is no room for construction and interpretation." State ex rel v Washburn, 224 M 269, 28 NW(2d) 652.

482.02 APPOINTMENT, SALARY

HISTORY. 1939 c 442 s 2; 1947 c 617 s 7; 1949 c 739 s 16.

482.04, 482.05 Repealed, 1943 c 545 s 5.

482.06 Superseded.

482.07 PRINTING, PUBLICATION, AND DISTRIBUTION OF SESSION LAWS

HISTORY. RL 1905 s 2276; 1907 c 115 s 2; GS 1913 s 4942; GS 1923 s 5681; 1925 c 101 s 1; MS 1927 s 5681; 1945 c 65 s 2; 1947 c 617 s 9.

When any laws are enacted which should be inserted between sections of the statutes in force at the time of the enactment of the new laws, the new laws are inserted in the proper order according to the decimal system, and the decimal system is sufficiently flexible as to permit the insertion of a new law in its proper place and in logical sequence. OAG Sept. 16, 1949 (500).

482.09 DUTIES

Bill drafting division created in the office of revisor of statutes. 33 MLR 52.

482.15 INDEX OF SESSION LAWS

HISTORY. 1949 c 305 s 1.