

# Court Warns: Disbarment for Anonymous Online Posts is Lesson for Other Lawyers

A former federal prosecutor has been disbarred for posting anonymous online comments about cases being handled by himself or by his office, according to reports from the *ABA Journal* and the **Legal Profession Blog**.

The Louisiana Supreme Court ordered the disbarment of Sal Perricone, finding he had violated ethics rules because his “caustic, extrajudicial comments about pending cases strikes at the heart of the neutral “dispassionate control which is the foundation of our system.”

“Perricone had posted more than 2,600 comments on nola.com, the website of the New Orleans Times-Picayune, between November 2007 and March 2012. Between 100 and 200 comments related to matters being prosecuted by Perricone’s office,” according to *Journal* reporter **Debra Cassens Weiss**.

**Read the *ABA Journal* article.**