

COMMITTEE ON PROFESSIONAL ETHICS, DELAWARE STATE BAR ASSOCIATION

REQUEST FOR LEGAL ETHICS OPINION (“LEO”)

1. Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

2. An advisory legal ethics opinion may be requested by any member of the Delaware State Bar Association concerning contemplated professional conduct which may implicate the Delaware Lawyers’ Rules of Professional Conduct. The Committee does not opine concerning actions which have already occurred. Please indicate the nature of your inquiry.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Advertising | <input type="checkbox"/> Conflict of Interest: | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Official/Lawyer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Client Property | <input type="checkbox"/> Personal | <input type="checkbox"/> Solicitation |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communication with: | <input type="checkbox"/> Lawyer as Witness | <input type="checkbox"/> Specialization |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adverse Individuals | <input type="checkbox"/> Business Relationship | <input type="checkbox"/> Trial Conduct |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jurors | <input type="checkbox"/> Former Client | <input type="checkbox"/> Trial Publicity |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Officials | <input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Representation | <input type="checkbox"/> Trust Accounts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Competence | <input type="checkbox"/> Fees | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Confidence and Secrets | <input type="checkbox"/> Government Lawyer | _____ |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Professional Notices | _____ |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Letterheads, etc. | _____ |

3. Please state in detail all operative facts upon which the request is based. Please provide a brief and concise statement of the facts with no identifying information as to persons or entities involved. Feel free to attach a separate piece of paper with a description if it is more convenient for you.

Additional narrative and exhibits may be attached if necessary.

4. State specific issue(s)/question(s) regarding ethical conduct you wish answered by the Committee.

5. Please identify every other Delaware law firm and/or Delaware legal organization connected to the matter(s) or litigation(s), about which you seek an ethical opinion; and the party(s) those other firms represent.

6. I certify that I have researched the Delaware Lawyers' Rules of Professional Conduct, prior Legal Ethics Opinions (available on the DSBA website at <http://www.dsba.org/ethics.htm>) and appropriate case law and believe the following to be relevant:

Rules of Professional Conduct: _____

Prior LEOs: _____

Case Law: _____

7. Why do you believe the proposed conduct would or would not violate the Delaware Lawyers' Rules of Professional Conduct?

8. **Complete only if you require an expedited opinion.** Legal Ethics Opinions are generally rendered by the Committee within 60 days of receipt of inquiry. If you believe your inquiry requires an expedited response, please indicate if the inquiry concerns:

___ Pending Litigation: ___ Civil ___ Criminal ___ Trial Date

___ Pending Disciplinary Proceeding

___ Imminent Running of Statute of Limitations
Date: _____

___ Reason for **expedited** LEO:

Signature

Date