COMMITTEE ON PROFESSIONAL ETHICS, DELAWARE STATE BAR ASSOCIATION

REQUEST FOR LEGAL ETHICS OPINION (“LEO”)

1. Name: ________________________________________________________________

Address: __________________________________________________________________

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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.

___ Advertising ___ Conflict of Interest: ___ Public Official/Lawyer
___ Client Property ___ Personal ___ Solicitation
___ Communication with: ___ Lawyer as Witness ___ Specialization
    ___ Adverse Individuals ___ Business Relationship ___ Trial Conduct
    ___ Jurors ___ Former Client ___ Trial Publicity
    ___ Officials ___ Multiple Representation ___ Trust Accounts
___ Competence ___ Fees ___ Other:
___ Confidence and Secrets ___ Government Lawyer
    ___ Professional Notices
    ___ 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.

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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.

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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?

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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:

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Signature__________________________________________Date______________