KENTUCKY BAR ASSOCIATION Ethics Opinion KBA E-223 Issued: January 1980

This opinion was decided under the Code of Professional Responsibility, which was in effect from 1971 to 1990. Lawyers should consult the current version of the Rules of Professional Conduct and Comments, SCR 3.130 (available at http://www.kybar.org), especially Rules 7.01-7.50 and the Attorneys' Advertising Commission Regulations, before relying on this opinion.

Question: May a lawyer allow the use of business cards and letterhead with the names, addresses, and phone numbers of a paralegal?

Answer: Qualified Yes.

References: Opinion KBA E-142, E-191; SCR 3.700

OPINION

The purpose of this opinion is to bring Opinion KBA E-142 (1976) and KBA E-191 (1978) into conformity with the Supreme Court Rules for the use of paralegals stated in SCR 3.700 effective January 1, 1980.

It should be emphasized that the qualifications expressed above are only qualified as to compliance with the Supreme Court Rule.

It should also be stated that Opinion KBA E-142 and KBA E-191 are still applicable as to the other areas covered in those opinions.

Note to Reader

This ethics opinion has been formally adopted by the Board of Governors of the Kentucky Bar Association under the provisions of Kentucky Supreme Court Rule 3.530 (or its predecessor rule). The Rule provides that formal opinions are advisory only.