



JUDICIAL INVESTIGATION COMMISSION

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Re: JIC Advisory Opinion 2006-08

Dear

In a recent letter to the Judicial Investigation Commission you stated that you are a member of the Family Court Education Committee, which is planning for a fall conference in in November. You stated that has offered to host a dinner or barbeque for the family court judges during the conference. In addition to being in the House of Delegates, regularly practices family law before some of the Family Court Judges. The education committee asked whether it is appropriate for the judges to accept Mr. offer.

After reviewing your request and discussing it at a recent meeting, the Commission could find no Canon of the Code of Judicial Conduct, which would be violated by the facts which you have set forth. It is, therefore, the opinion of the Commission that a dinner or barbeque for the family court judges at their conference could be given.

It is hoped that this fully addresses the question which you have raised. If there is any further question concerning this request, please do not hesitate to contact the Commission.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Fred L. Fox, II".

Fred L. Fox, II, Chairperson
Judicial Investigation Commission

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