

ETHICS OPINION

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Guidelines for billing by lawyers for professional fees, disbursements, and other expenses (Adoption of ABA Formal Opinion 93-379)

QUESTION:

The Standing Committee on Ethics and Professional Responsibility of the American Bar Association issued Formal Opinion 93-379 on December 6, 1993, concerning billing for professional fees, disbursements and other expenses. This office receives numerous requests concerning these subjects and, for that reason, requests the Disciplinary Commission to determine whether or not this opinion correctly states the rule applicable to Alabama lawyers concerning these matters.

ANSWER:

It is the opinion of the Disciplinary Commission that ABA Formal Opinion 93-379 correctly states the rule applicable to Alabama lawyers concerning the billing of professional fees, disbursements and other expenses. Accordingly, Formal Opinion 93-379 is incorporated herein and made a part of this opinion.

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