

## Judicial Inquiry Commission

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The Judicial Inquiry Commission has formally considered your request for an opinion concerning whether a judge may participate in a limited family partnership formed for the purpose of holding certain family-owned property. It is pointed out that one building on the property in question is leased by the ABC Board of the State of Alabama.

You specifically ask whether a judge's participation in a limited partnership with the State of Alabama would violate the Canons of Judicial Ethics.

It is the opinion of the Commission that a judge's participation in a limited partnership doing business with the State of Alabama does not violate the Canons of Judicial Ethics. However, you should be ever mindful of the provisions of Canons 3C and 5C regarding disqualification and financial activities of judges.