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## Judicial Inquiry Commission

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The Judicial Inquiry Commission has considered your request for an opinion concerning whether a judge is required under the Alabama Canons of Judicial Ethics to disqualify himself in proceedings in which the judge's daughter or a member of the daughter's firm represents a party to the proceeding.

The Commission has held in several past opinions that, under Canon 3C of the Canons of Judicial Ethics, disqualification is required in the circumstances you described. For your convenience, we enclose copies of three prior opinions on this subject.

Sincerely,

JUDICIAL INQUIRY COMMISSION