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Judicial Ethics Opinion JE-78

July 11, 1997

At the request of another judge, we have revisited Judicial Ethics Opinion JE-76 of May 5, 1997. There, we held that the activity contemplated by the judge was "a direct solicitation of funds," and thus was barred by Canon 5B(2), now Canon 4C(4)(b), 1996 Kan. Ct. R. Annot. 421.

Upon reconsideration, we conclude that the proposed conduct --- preparing and serving a meal as a "celebrity chef," that to be auctioned for charity --- is not "a direct solicitation of funds." The proposed conduct is not prohibited by the Canons. Judicial Ethics Advisory Opinion No. JE 76 is vacated.

Robert H. Miller, Chairman

E. Newton Vickers

Adrian J. Allen is not participating.