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PARTNERSHIPS

Attorneys may not hold themselves out as partners when, in fact, they are not.

Canon 30. A.B.A. Canon 33.

QUESTION

Is it a violation of the Canons of Ethics to use a firm name indicating a partnership such as "Smith and Jones," when a true partnership does not exist but each lawyer has his own clients?

OPINION

The committee is of the opinion that such a practice is a violation of Texas Canon 30, and of American Bar Canon 33, as interpreted in Opinions 105, 115, and 126 released by the American Bar Committee. (6-3)