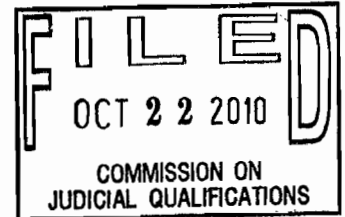




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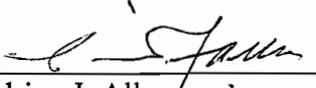
The judge has been asked to give a one to two hour presentation on appellate procedure as part of a program entitled, "Civil Procedure: A View from the Bench" presented by a for-profit organization that sponsors seminars throughout the United States. Presenters at these seminars normally receive an honorarium or some kind of benefit such as complimentary seminar tickets or discounts on products which the judge states would be declined.

This presentation at a seminar presented by a for-profit organization would be a direct violation of Rule 1.3 of the Kansas Code of Judicial Conduct (Rule 601B) which provides in pertinent part:


"A judge shall not lend the prestige of judicial office to advance the . . . *economic interests* of . . . others"

Further, Comment [1] to Rule 3.1 recites, in part, that ". . . judges are permitted and encouraged to engage in educational . . . activities not conducted for profit"

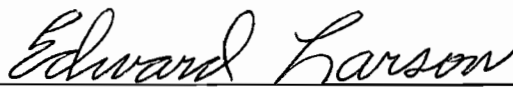
We are, therefore, of the opinion that the proposed presentation by the judge would violate the Kansas Code of Judicial Conduct.



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