

An attorney represents "A" on two matters: a suit brought by a partnership (which is pending in circuit court) and a suit against a limited partnership. The attorney also represents "A's" spouse, "B," in an unrelated suit against "X" for injuries "B" received when "B's" car was hit head-on by "X." The attorney proposes to name "X" as a defendant in a personal injury suit brought by "B" and to name "A" as a second defendant.

It is improper, given the above facts, for the attorney to represent both "A" and "B" even if both clients consent to the representation. [DR:5-105(A) and (C); LE Op. 947]

Committee Opinion
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