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LEGAL ETHICS OPINION 590

ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION  
SERVICE.

It is not improper for an attorney/employee of a corporate alternative dispute resolution service to provide legal information to the clients of the service so long as the clients understand that the information is being provided by the attorney as a mediator.

It is not improper for an attorney to include, or allow the inclusion of, his professional status in the advertising of the service.

It is improper for an attorney, who has served as a mediator between parties, to represent either of said parties in the subject matter of the mediation.

It is improper for an attorney to render legal advice to the clients of the service if the organization of the mediation service includes other professional disciplines.  
[ DR:2-101(A), DR:3-103 and Canon 5]

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