

See Advisory Opinion No. 58 (rev. July 10, 1998), Committee on Codes of Conduct, U.S. Judicial Conference. However, those standards also recognize that other circumstances could arise which, in combination with the relative's status as an associate in a law firm involved in a case, might reasonably raise a question about the judge's impartiality and in turn warrant disqualification. Judge O'Hara represents he is unaware of any disqualifying circumstances. But he acknowledges that one of the parties or lawyers involved in this case might have knowledge of such circumstances.

In an abundance of caution, and to ensure that all parties and counsel involved in this case are notified of circumstances that could be perceived as giving the appearance of impropriety, the court has issued this order. The parties and their counsel are hereby informed of this potential disqualification and ordered to comply with the directives set out in the contemporaneously issued Notice Concerning Waiver of Judicial Disqualification.

Dated this 7th day of July, 2009, at Kansas City, Kansas.

s/ James P. O'Hara
James P. O'Hara
U.S. Magistrate Judge