

Digest of Ethics Advisory Panel  
Opinion #91-47, Request #167  
Issued July 18, 1991

An attorney seeks Panel advice concerning the ethical propriety of using her maiden name for professional purposes and using her married name for all other purposes. The attorney states that she intends to retain her maiden name to identify herself as a practicing member of the Rhode Island Bar.

The Panel is of the opinion that she may retain her maiden name for professional purposes while using her married name for personal, family and other purposes, so long as the use of the different names is not intended to mislead anyone.