

DIGEST OF ETHICS ADVISORY PANEL
Opinion #92-5, Request #211
Issued April 1, 1992

An attorney seeks Panel advice as to the propriety of serving as an arbitrator, having been selected by the attorney of one of the parties with whom the attorney has had a prior business relationship.

The Panel is of the opinion that an attorney can serve as an arbitrator even if party-appointed, but cannot communicate with the attorney representing the party who appointed the arbitrator prior to the hearing date about any substantive issues in the case.