

Rule 6.4. Law Reform Activities Affecting Client Interests.

Colorado Court Rules

Colorado Rules of Professional Conduct

Public Service

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A lawyer may serve as a director, officer or member of an organization involved in reform of the law or its administration notwithstanding that the reform may affect the interests of a client of the lawyer. When the lawyer knows that the interests of a client may be materially benefited by a decision in which the lawyer participates, the lawyer shall disclose that fact to the organization but need not identify the client.

Cite as RPC 6.4

History. Entire Appendix repealed and readopted April 12, 2007, effective January 1, 2008.

Note:

COMMENT

[1] Lawyers involved in organizations seeking law reform generally do not have a client-lawyer relationship with the organization. Otherwise, it might follow that a lawyer could not be involved in a bar association law reform program that might indirectly affect a client. See also Rule 1.2(b). For example, a lawyer specializing in antitrust litigation might be regarded as disqualified from participating in drafting revisions of rules governing that subject. In determining the nature and scope of participation in such activities, a lawyer should be mindful of obligations to clients under other Rules, particularly Rule 1.7. A lawyer is professionally obligated to protect the integrity of the program by making an appropriate disclosure to the organization when the lawyer knows a private client might be materially benefited.