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JUDICIAL ETHICS ADVISORY PANEL

Judicial Ethics Opinion JE 106

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QUESTION: A judicial candidate, subject to election, has been requested to contribute to his or her political party. May the candidate do so?

DISCUSSION: Canon 5C(1)(a)(iii), 2000 Kan. Ct. R. Annot. 491, provides that

"A judge or a candidate subject to public election may, except as prohibited by law ... contribute to a political organization."

ANSWER: We conclude that the judicial candidate may properly contribute to his or her political party, subject to any limitations that may be provided by law.

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