WISCONSIN ETHICS OPINIONS

6/75 A Representation of a client when the attorney's partner may be called as a witness

Where an attorney's partner who has handled a client's business and personal matters may be called as a witness in a criminal trial in which the client is a defendant, and where it is likely the matter to which (s)he will testify will be uncontested, it is not improper for the attorney to represent the client at the trial. The client should be informed that if a conflict of testimony does arise, the attorney may have to withdraw from representation.

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