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Re: Ethics Opinion 10-01

In some jurisdictions lawyers are allowed to practice immigration law without being admitted or otherwise regulated by the bar of the state where they practice. All that is required is that they be admitted to the bar of some state. A question has arisen as to whether an Iowa lawyer legitimately practicing in another state but not admitted to the bar of that state must comply with the Iowa Rules.

It is our opinion that Rule 32:8.5(a) controls and requires Iowa lawyers who legitimately practice in another jurisdiction by operation of their Iowa admission to comply with the Iowa Rules of Professional Responsibility.

For the Committee,

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