



Fatwa no. 5254

**Q: Is it permissible for me to design nameplates, seals, and promotional material for banks that deal in Riba (usury/interest) - may Allah purify us from it? Am I also sinful to design such items for photographic shops and shops that sell music tapes? Please advise me in detail about this.**

**A:** It is not permissible to cooperate with those who commit Islamically prohibited deeds in their perpetration of these wrongs, such as dealing in Riba and taking photographs as a profession and earning money from doing so. The same applies to those who sell Haram (prohibited) music tapes. Allah (may He be Exalted) says: [﴿ Help you one another in Al-Birr and At-Taqwâ \(virtue, righteousness and piety\); but do not help one another in sin and transgression. ﴾](#)

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May Allah grant us success! May peace and blessings be upon our Prophet Muhammad, his family, and Companions!

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