



Risk Control

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The Ethics of Errors

Attorneys are only human. Even the most skilled and seasoned will inevitably, to some degree, make a mistake. A mistake may damage your case or your relationship with a client, but failing to respond appropriately to that mistake will jeopardize your license and your career. This section examines an attorney’s duties related to error disclosure, what those duties require, and why attorneys should take them seriously.

**A Day in the Life of Paul the Practitioner:
Risk Management Specialist**

In the daily practice of law, there are multiple exposures to potential legal malpractice claims. Attorneys are aware of the obvious errors that may lead to a legal malpractice complaint. The vast majority of legal malpractice claims originate in the legal services being performed for the client. But what about the less common exposures that exist in the daily practice of law? This section explores some nontraditional legal malpractice exposures.

Conflicts of Interest

Conflicts of interest constitute a leading cause of legal malpractice claims, and lawyers who fail to proactively address conflicts increase their exposure. This section will review the relevant conflict of interest rules, recent case law involving conflicts, and risk control tips on how to identify and analyze conflict of interest issues. We will also explore the different standards for conflicts based upon whether a current or former client asserts the conflict.

Cautionary Case Law

This section will examine cases from various areas of practice that involve attorney liability and sanction issues, reviewing the relevant facts, rules of conduct and risk control lessons. We will also highlight risk control measures that, if applied, may have led to different outcomes in each case. The cases we discuss will offer useful takeaways for most attorneys, regardless of their practice area or law firm size.

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