

Digest of Ethics Advisory Panel  
Opinion #91-82, Request #203  
Issued December 5, 1991

An attorney seeks Panel advice as to how to proceed in a case in which the client cannot be located, and the period of limitations is close to expiration. Correspondence to the client's last known address is not responded to, but has not been returned to the sender.

The Panel takes the position that the attorney should: 1) continue efforts to locate the client, perhaps by personal visitation to the last known address; and 2) file suit as a last resort to protect the client before expiration of the period of limitations.