

An attorney wishes to contract with an out-of-state corporation which is in the business of obtaining clients for lawyers in return for monthly payments. Lawyer referral services should be in compliance with Code provisions DR:2-102, DR:2-103 and DR:2-104.

The committee cautions that statements of the corporation in violation of the Virginia Disciplinary Rules could result in automatic violations by the participating attorneys. Proposed advertising should, therefore, be examined to prevent statements or claims that are false, fraudulent, misleading or deceptive. [DR:2-101, DR:2-103, DR:2-104]

Committee Opinion
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