

*Committee Opinion*  
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LEGAL ETHICS OPINION 346

CONFLICT OF INTEREST – MULTIPLE  
CLIENTS.

Attorney represented clients "X," "Y" and "Z" who were the named defendants in a civil action arising out of an automobile accident with plaintiff. Attorney filed a demurrer on behalf of "X," "Y" and "Z" and the motion for judgment was dismissed. Thereafter, plaintiff filed an amended motion naming only "Z" (the driver of the vehicle) as the defendant. The attorney represented "Z" and the suit was eventually settled. Thereafter, "Y" (a passenger in "Z's" vehicle) sued "Z," arising out of the same accident and the insurance company requested the attorney to represent "Z." It would be improper for the attorney to represent "Z" after having previously represented "X") "Y" and "Z" in filing the demurrer. [See II: DR:5-105.]

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