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It is not ethically improper for an attorney employed by a Legal Aid Society to give general legal advice on a topic of law in a newspaper of general circulation. It is not ethically improper for an attorney, employed by a Legal Aid Society, to answer in a newspaper of general circulation specific questions furnished in the newspaper by the general public. In both cases, the attorney should refrain from giving a general solution which the general public might presume is applicable to all apparently similar individual problems. The attorney is further admonished to advise the general readership that individuals should not seek to solve their individual problems on the basis of the information contained therein, such information being of a general nature only.  
[See II: DR:2-101, EC:2-2 and EC:2-5.]

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