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Advantage CLE: The Need for Zeal in the Practice of Law, and the Upper and Lower Limits of that Zeal, with Numerous Case Examples

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The Rules of Professional Conduct (and basic professional rectitude) require that attorneys represent their clients with "reasonable diligence and promptness." Overlaying that requirement is the duty to represent each client with "zeal." However, too many lawyers fail to pursue each representation with that degree of commitment, to their client's harm, while too many (other) lawyers take the mantle of zeal to the opposite extreme to the extent of overzealousness. This program explores the legal duty imposed on each lawyer to represent each client zealously while examining the upper and lower extremes of this duty as evidenced by real case examples.

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