

**Rule 3.2 Delay of Litigation**  
**(Commission's Proposed Rule Adopted on June 2 – 3, 2016 – Clean Version)**

In representing a client, a lawyer shall not use means that have no substantial\* purpose other than to delay or prolong the proceeding or to cause needless expense.

**Comment**

See Rule 1.3 with respect to a lawyer's duty to act with reasonable\* diligence and Rule 3.1(b) with respect to a lawyer's representation of a defendant in a criminal proceeding. See also Business and Professions Code § 6128(b).