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First Official Ethics Guidance on Remote Work Following COVID-19 Shelter in Place Orders

On April 14, 2020, the Pennsylvania Bar Association Committee on Legal Ethics and Professional Responsibility issued [Formal Opinion 2020-300 – Ethical Obligations of Attorneys Working Remotely](#). The first official ethics opinion spurred by the COVID-19 pandemic, Pennsylvania's Opinion provides guidance to attorneys working from home now and after the situation returns to "normal." The Opinion suggests how attorneys and staff may best comply with their obligations of competence, confidentiality, oversight and offers both practical ideas and best practices. The Opinion does not contain any new guidance, but it is a useful compilation of many sources, including the [American Bar Association's Formal Opinion 477R](#).

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