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**1/71 A      Open house invitations limited**

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In response to an inquiry regarding the propriety of an attorney or law firm conducting an open house for committees and personal friends upon moving into a new office suite or building, the committee concluded that this activity is covered in ABA Informal Opinion 623 which states that such open house may be held so long as invitations are limited to persons with whom the lawyer or lawyers have personal relationships, including present and past clients, members of the local bar and personal friends but not public officials. Such conduct is permitted under Canon 2, Code of Professional Responsibility. (1/8/71)