Attorney-client privilege: Disclosure of information

An attorney who is aware that an object of his/her client’s was found at the scene of alleged criminal misconduct is not under an ethical obligation to disclose the existence of the object or where it was found to the authorities. S/he should discuss the matter with her/his client and it is the client’s decision whether to disclose the information. The attorney must, however, tell the client s/he cannot lie about the item and that s/he must tell the truth about it if questioned concerning it.