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Lawyers Cannot Promise on Behalf of Clients Without Clear Consent

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The Supreme Court has ruled that advocates cannot make commitments to a court without their client's explicit authorization, emphasizing the fiduciary nature of the lawyer-client relationship. "A lawyer-client relationship is fiduciary, with the lawyer acting as the client's agent. The lawyer must respect the client's decision-making authority. Any undertaking given in court must have the client's explicit approval," the court stated. The case involved an appellant...

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