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## SUSPENSION OF SERVICE

If the client does not pay on time, the design professional should have the right to suspend performance of services or pursue the legal remedy of terminating the agreement with the client. Suspending performance, coupled with a policy of collecting for services rendered in a prompt manner, can reduce fee disputes at the end of a project. There are important professional liability issues associated with termination, and legal advice should be sought.

Suspension of service performance is less drastic than termination. There should be at least seven days' notice before performance of service is suspended.