## **Extended Parent Directory Names**

**CMD.EXE** allows you to extend the traditional syntax for naming the parent directory, by adding additional [.] characters. Each additional [.] represents an additional directory level above the current directory. For example, .\*FILE.DAT* refers to a file in the current directory, ..\*FILE.DAT* refers to a file one level up (in the parent directory), and ...\*FILE.DAT* refers to a file two levels up (in the parent of the parent directory). If you are in the C:\DATA\FINANCE\JANUARY directory and want to copy the file LETTERS.DAT from the directory C:\DATA to drive A:

[C:\DATA\FINANCE\JANUARY] copy ...\LETTERS.DAT A:



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