

ENROLLED SENATE
BILL NO. 1137

By: Morgan of the Senate

and

Askins of the House

An Act relating to attorneys; amending 5 O.S. 1991, Section 1, which relates to persons disqualified to practice law; clarifying language; allowing judge to finish certain business undertaken in any state court prior to election or appointment; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 5 O.S. 1991, Section 1, is amended to read as follows:

Section 1. A. No person shall practice as an attorney and counselor at law in any court of this state who ~~is~~:

1. Is not a citizen of the United States, ~~or who holds~~;
2. Holds a commission as judge of any court of record, except as provided in subsection C of this section; or ~~who is~~
3. Is a sheriff, coroner, or deputy sheriff; ~~nor shall~~.

B. No person who is the clerk or deputy clerk of the Supreme Court, ~~or the clerk of the district court, or probate court, or the deputy of either,~~ shall practice in the particular court of which ~~he~~ that person is clerk or deputy clerk; ~~but nothing herein contained.~~

C. Nothing shall prevent any judge of any of the courts of this state from finishing any business ~~by him~~ undertaken in the district, circuit, or Supreme Court of the United States, ~~or any court of this state~~ prior to ~~his~~ election or appointment as judge; ~~and an.~~

D. An alien who has declared ~~his~~ the intention to become a citizen of the United States may practice as if ~~he~~ the alien were a citizen.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2000.

Passed the Senate the 6th day of March, 2000.

President of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the 4th day of April, 2000.

Speaker of the House of
Representatives