

ENROLLED SENATE  
BILL NO. 401

By: Crain of the Senate

and

Sullivan of the House

An Act relating to attorneys; amending 5 O.S. 2001, Section 1, which relates to persons disqualified to practice law; removing certain disqualification; and providing an effective date.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 5 O.S. 2001, Section 1, is amended to read as follows:

Section 1. No person shall practice as an attorney and counselor at law in any court of this state who is not a citizen of the United States, or who holds a commission as judge of any court of record, or who is a sheriff, or coroner, ~~or deputy sheriff~~; nor shall the clerk of the Supreme Court, or the clerk of the district court, or probate court, or the deputy of either, practice in the particular court of which he is clerk or deputy clerk; but nothing herein contained 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, prior to his election or appointment as judge; and an alien who has declared his intention to become a citizen of the United States may practice as if he were a citizen.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2009.

Passed the Senate the 3rd day of March, 2009.

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Presiding Officer of the Senate

Passed the House of Representatives the 6th day of April, 2009.

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of Representatives