

ESB 401

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
Wednesday, April 1, 2009

ENGROSSED

Senate Bill No. 401

ENGROSSED 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:

1 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 5 O.S. 2001, Section 1, is amended to read as  
2 follows:  
3 Section 1. No person shall practice as an attorney and counselor at law in any court  
4 of this state who is not a citizen of the United States, or who holds a commission as judge  
5 of any court of record, or who is a sheriff, or coroner, ~~or deputy sheriff~~; nor shall the clerk  
6 of the Supreme Court, or the clerk of the district court, or probate court, or the deputy of  
7 either, practice in the particular court of which he is clerk or deputy clerk; but nothing  
8 herein contained shall prevent any judge of any of the courts of this state from finishing  
9 any business by him undertaken in the district, circuit, or Supreme Court of the United  
10 States, prior to his election or appointment as judge; and an alien who has declared his  
11 intention to become a citizen of the United States may practice as if he were a citizen.

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

2 COMMITTEE REPORT BY: COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, dated 03-31-09 - DO PASS.