

1 STATE OF OKLAHOMA

2 1st Session of the 54th Legislature (2013)

3 SENATE BILL 986

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6 AS INTRODUCED

7 An Act relating to unauthorized practice of law;
8 defining term; prohibiting unauthorized practice of
9 law; creating misdemeanor offense; establishing
10 punishment; providing for codification; and providing
11 an effective date.

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

13 SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified
14 in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1.1A of Title 5, unless there is
15 created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

16 A. For purposes of this section, "unauthorized practice of law"
17 occurs when a person gives legal advice of any kind or acts on
18 behalf of a client in any legal matter without being licensed to
19 practice law in this state. This shall include, but not be limited
20 to, appearing before a court on behalf of a client or causing a
21 document to be presented to a court on behalf of a client.

22 B. Any person who engages in the unauthorized practice of law
23 shall be guilty of a misdemeanor that, upon conviction, shall be
24 punishable by imprisonment in a county jail not to exceed six (6)

1 months, or by a fine not to exceed One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00),
2 or by both such imprisonment and fine.

3 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2013.

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