

STATE OF MINNESOTA

IN SUPREME COURT

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COURT RULES ON CERTIFIED LAW STUDENTS

RULE 1. Limited Practice by Certified Law Students

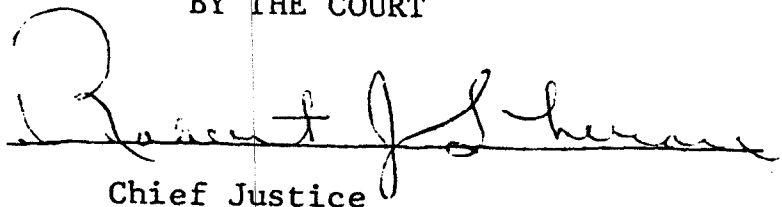
Any eligible law student in a law school in this state accredited by The American Bar Association, may, upon written approval of the Supreme Court of Minnesota, interview, advise, negotiate, and appear in any court on behalf of any indigent person accused of crime, or on behalf of the prosecution, or may represent any indigent person in a civil action; provided, however, that the conduct of the case is under the supervision of a member of the State Bar of Minnesota. For purposes of this rule, an "eligible" law student is one who has completed, or is completing, the final two years of the law school curriculum, and who is identified as such during all proceedings.

Before any student shall be eligible to appear in court for or on behalf of any indigent person accused of crime, or on behalf of the prosecution, or represent any indigent person in a civil action, the Dean of the accredited law school of which he is a student shall file with the Supreme Court a list of names of the enrolled students who have been selected by the faculty to participate in the program. Upon written approval by the Supreme Court of a student so certified, and the filing of such written approval, or a certified copy thereof, with the district court wherein the law school is located, such approved student shall be, and is hereby, authorized to appear in any court of the State of Minnesota when under the direct supervision of a member of the State Bar of Minnesota, on behalf of such indigent persons accused of crime, or on behalf of the prosecution, or to represent indigent persons in any civil action as may be assigned to them. The expression "direct supervision" shall be construed to require the personal attendance of the supervising member of the bar during any trial, plea and sentence, or any other critical stage of any proceeding in or out of the court room; provided, however, that the supervising attorney may authorize a student to appear alone in all such proceedings other than the actual trial whenever the supervising attorney shall deem his personal presence unnecessary to insure proper supervision. Such authorization shall be made in writing and shall be available to the court upon request. In all events representation afforded pursuant to this rule must comply with minimal standards required by the State and Federal Constitutions.

The written approval of each student by the Supreme Court of Minnesota shall remain in force and effect for a period of twelve months from the date of filing unless withdrawn earlier. Upon application by the certified student, the Supreme Court may extend the privilege.

Dated: September 3, 1974.

BY THE COURT



Chief Justice

(This rule supersedes the rule dated June 27 1967)