

83.1 PARTICIPATION BY FORMER LAW CLERKS IN CASES PENDING BEFORE THE JUDGE WHO PREVIOUSLY EMPLOYED THEM

- (a) **Cases Pending during Tenure as a Law Clerk.** An attorney who has been employed as a law clerk to a judge of the District may not work in any case which was pending before that judge during the attorney's tenure as a law clerk. If a former law clerk violates this Rule, the Court may disqualify the attorney and his or her employer from appearing in the case. An employer of a former law clerk must implement procedures to assure that the former law clerk does not violate this Rule.

- (b) **Newly-Filed Cases.** For two years after a law clerk leaves the employment of a judge of the District:
 - 1. The former law clerk may not work on any case assigned to that judge, even if the case was filed after the attorney left the judge's employment; and
 - 2. If the former law clerk assisted in preparing a case, or in preparing the defense of a case, that is then assigned at the time of filing to the judge, the former law clerk's employer must promptly file notice of such and the judge must recuse.