

83.8 PRACTICE BY STUDENT INTERNS ENROLLED IN LAW SCHOOL

An eligible law student acting under a supervising attorney may appear and participate in proceedings in this District under this Rule.

(a) **Eligibility.** To be eligible to appear and participate, a law student must:

1. Be a student in good standing in a law school approved by the American Bar Association;
2. Have completed legal studies amounting to 3 semesters, or the equivalent if the law school is on some other basis than a semester basis;
3. Be sponsored by a supervising attorney who must:
 - A. Be a member in good standing of this Bar;
 - B. Assume personal professional responsibility for the conduct of the student being supervised;
 - C. Co-sign all pleadings, papers, and documents prepared by the student;
 - D. Advise the Court of the student's participation in accordance with Rule 83.8(c), be present with the student at all times in court, and be prepared to supplement oral or written work of the student as requested by the Court or as necessary to ensure proper representation of the client; and
 - E. Be available for consultation with the client;
4. File with the Clerk a Notice of Appearance, on the form provided by the Clerk, in each case in which the student is appearing or participating. The notice must be signed by the supervising attorney and the law student. When signing the notice of appearance, the law student must certify that he or she has read and agrees to abide by the Local Rules, all applicable codes of professional responsibility, and all relevant federal practice rules. The supervising attorney must certify that he or she has advised the client that the law student will make an appearance and that the client have consented to the participation of the law student intern; and
5. Be introduced by the supervising attorney to the Court in which the student is appearing.

(b) **Restrictions.** No law student admitted under this Rule may:

1. Request or receive any compensation or enumeration of any kind from the client, except that the supervising attorney or his or her law firm, a law school, a public defender, or any agency of the government may pay compensation to the law student or charges for its services as it may otherwise properly require;

2. Appear in court without the presence of the supervising attorney; or
 3. File any documents or papers that the student has prepared which have not been read, approved, and signed by the supervising attorney and co-signed by the student.
- (c) **Notice.** Any supervising attorney intending to use a law student under this Rule in any contested matter must notify the Court of such intention at least 24 hours before the matter is scheduled to commence. If the Court deems participation by the law student would be inappropriate, the Court must so advise the supervising attorney and the appearance may not be made.
- (d) **Termination.** Any judge may terminate a law student's participation under this Rule at any time, without notice or hearing, and without a showing of cause. The judge may file notice of the termination.