

**PRACTICE OF LAW AMENDMENTS**

2003 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

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**This act defines the practice of law and states that only persons admitted by the Supreme Court may practice law in this state. This act has an effective date.**

This act affects sections of Utah Code Annotated 1953 as follows:

AMENDS:

**63-55b-178**, as last amended by Chapter 49, Laws of Utah 2002

ENACTS:

**78-9-102**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

Section 1. Section **63-55b-178** is amended to read:

**63-55b-178. Repeal dates, Title 78.**

Section 78-9-101 is repealed [~~May 1, 2003~~] May 3, 2004.

Section 2. Section **78-9-102** is enacted to read:

**78-9-102. Practice of law defined -- Who may practice.**

(1) The term "practice law" means appearing as an advocate in any criminal proceeding or before any court of record in this state in a representative capacity on behalf of another person.

(2) Only persons who have been admitted by the Supreme Court of this state to practice law may practice or hold themselves out as licensed to practice law in this state.

(3) A person may not use "J.D.", "Esq.", "attorney", or "attorney-at-law" on business cards, signs, advertisements, or official documents as those terms are used to indicate status as an attorney, unless licensed to practice law.

Section 3. **Effective date.**

Section 78-9-102 takes effect on May 3, 2004.