

Utah Law Student Assistance Rule
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Amended April 1, 1986.

I. Statement of Purpose

The bench and bar have a responsibility to the public generally to provide competent legal services. One method by which this program may be made more effective is to increase the opportunity of law students to have first-hand contact with the legal problems that are made the subject of litigation and to be involved directly in the court process.

II. Law Student Assistance—Authorized

Recognizing the inherent right of each judge to have the direct control of the procedures of his court and particularly the conduct of attorneys and others who may appear before him, the various courts of this state are authorized to provide local rule for such participation by law students in matters pending before them as each such court shall in its discretion determine; provided:

- (1) Such program shall apply only to civil and misdemeanor cases.
- (2) Such program shall involve only law students who have completed legal studies amounting to at least four (4) semesters, or the equivalent if the school is on some basis other than a semester basis.
- (3) Such student participation shall be under the direct and immediate personal supervision and in the presence of a resident attorney admitted to practice before the court, except the presence of a resident attorney shall not be required at those default divorce hearings which are not contested and the appearing party is being represented by a non-profit public service legal agency.
- (4) Permission for such student participation shall be by way of prior written stipulation of counsel for all parties to the action subject to the approval of the court and filed in the case file.
- (5) Such student shall not receive any compensation or remuneration of any kind for his services from the client on whose behalf he renders service.

III. Other State Assistance Rule

Student must check the individual state rules and follow them accordingly.