

(A) ADMISSION REQUIRED.

EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS TITLE, BEFORE AN INDIVIDUAL MAY PRACTICE LAW IN THE STATE, THE INDIVIDUAL SHALL:

(1) BE ADMITTED TO THE BAR; AND

(2) MEET ANY REQUIREMENT THAT THE COURT OF APPEALS MAY SET BY RULE.

(B) EXCEPTIONS -- IN GENERAL.

THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO:

(1) A PERSON WHILE REPRESENTING A LANDLORD IN A SUMMARY EJECTMENT PROCEEDING IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND;

(2) AN INSURANCE COMPANY WHILE DEFENDING AN INSURED THROUGH STAFF COUNSEL; OR

(3) AN OFFICER OF A CORPORATION WHILE APPEARING ON ITS BEHALF IN A CIVIL ACTION IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF MARYLAND IF THE ACTION:

(I) IS BASED ON A CLAIM THAT DOES NOT EXCEED \$1,000; AND

(II) IS NOT BASED ON AN ASSIGNMENT, TO THE CORPORATION, OF THE CLAIM OF ANOTHER.

(C) SAME -- PATENT LAWYERS.

(1) IN THIS SUBSECTION, "PRACTICE PATENT LAW":

(I) MEANS TO PERFORM PROFESSIONAL SERVICES THAT THE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE REQUIRES TO BE PERFORMED BY AN INDIVIDUAL REGISTERED TO PRACTICE BEFORE THAT OFFICE; AND

(II) INCLUDES PREPARING A COPYRIGHT APPLICATION OR ASSIGNMENT AND SUBMITTING IT TO THE COPYRIGHT OFFICE OF THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS.

(2) WHILE THERE IS A PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE IN THE STATE, AN INDIVIDUAL MAY PRACTICE PATENT LAW IN THE STATE IF THE INDIVIDUAL IS:

(I) AUTHORIZED TO PRACTICE LAW IN ANY OTHER STATE; AND

(II) REGISTERED TO PRACTICE PATENT LAW BEFORE THE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE.