

Undertaking

Pursuant to rule 52(4) of the Rules of the Law Society of Alberta I, _____ ,
undertake to supervise _____ and to ensure that all
services performed by him/her under rule 52(3) with _____
are performed under my direct supervision and in compliance with the *Rules of the Law Society of Alberta*
from _____ until _____ .

Date

Name of Member

Conditions Precedent to Providing Legal Services as a Student-at-Law:

- 52 (1)** In this Rule, "approved working arrangement" means one where a student-at-law is
- (a) working in accordance with, and under the authority of, an education plan and articles of clerkship approved by the Society, or
 - (b) working in compliance with subrule (3).
- (2)** The conditions precedent to providing legal services as a student-at-law are that the student-at-law:
- (a) must have written confirmation from the Society of registration as a student-at-law;
 - (b) must have written confirmation from the Society of the approved articling commencement date; and
 - (c) must only provide legal services within an approved working arrangement.
- (3)** Subject to compliance with subrule (4), a registered student-at-law who has completed the prescribed period of articles may, as an employee of
- (a) a law firm,
 - (b) a department of the Government of Alberta or the Government of Canada, or
 - (c) the legal department of a corporation,
- perform any services that the student-at-law was permitted to perform while serving under articles.
- (4)** A student-at-law may perform services under subrule (3) only if
- (a) the services are performed under the direct supervision of an active member who, unless the Executive Director otherwise approves, has been actively engaged in the practice of law in Alberta for at least 4 years, and
 - (b) there is filed with the Executive Director an undertaking in a form satisfactory to the Executive Director and given by an active member associated in practice with the law firm or department referred to in subrule (3)(a), (b) or (c) and stating that all services provided under subrule (3) by the student-at-law with that law firm or department will be performed under the direct supervision of the active member or one or more other active members with the same law firm or department.
- (5)** An undertaking need not be filed under subrule (4)(b) if
- (a) the services are performed by the student-at-law at the same law firm or department in which the student-at-law was serving under articles when the articling term ended and
 - (b) the services are performed during the 90-day period following the end of the articling term.
- (6)** A student-at-law must be identified as such:
- (a) in any law related promotional material that names the student-at-law; and
 - (b) in any matter where the student-at-law is involved in providing legal services and that involvement is apparent to anyone outside of the student's firm.