

Registering Attorney Terms and Conditions of Use

1. The registering attorney is an active member in good standing with the State Bar of California. An active member in good standing is authorized by the State Bar of California to engage in the practice of law.

2. While accessing and using this website, the registering attorney will comply with the State Bar of California's Rules of Professional Conduct which include but are not limited to the following rules and definitions set forth in full at this link:

<https://www.calbar.ca.gov/Attorneys/Conduct-Discipline/Rules/Rules-of-Professional-Conduct/Current-Rules>

a. A lawyer admitted to practice law in California shall not: (1) practice law in a jurisdiction where to do so would be in violation of regulations of the profession in that jurisdiction; or (2) knowingly assist a person in the unauthorized practice of law in that jurisdiction. **See Rules of Professional Conduct Rule 5.5(a) "Unauthorized Practice of Law"**;

b. A lawyer or law firm shall not share legal fees directly or indirectly with a nonlawyer or with an organization that is not authorized to practice law except for those limited exceptions set forth in the relevant rule. **See Rules of Professional Conduct Rule 5.4(a) "Financial and Similar Arrangements with Nonlawyers"**;

c. With respect to a nonlawyer employed or retained by or associated with a lawyer: (a) a lawyer who individually or together with other lawyers possesses managerial authority in a law firm, shall make reasonable efforts to ensure that the firm has in effect measures giving reasonable assurance that the nonlawyer's conduct is compatible with the professional obligations of the lawyer; (b) a lawyer having direct supervisory authority over the nonlawyer, whether or not an employee of the same law firm, shall make reasonable efforts to ensure that the person's conduct is compatible with the professional obligations of the lawyer; and (c) a lawyer shall be responsible for conduct of such a person that would be a violation of these rules or the State Bar Act if engaged in by a lawyer if: (1) the lawyer orders or, with knowledge of the relevant facts and of the specific conduct, ratifies the conduct involved; or (2) the lawyer, individually or together with other lawyers, possesses managerial authority in the law firm in which the person is employed, or has direct supervisory authority over the person, whether or not an employee of the same law firm, and knows of the conduct at a time when its consequences can be avoided or mitigated but fails to take reasonable remedial action. **See Rules of Professional Conduct Rule 5.3 "Responsibilities Regarding Nonlawyer"**;

d. Except for those activities and requirements set forth in full in the relevant rule, a lawyer shall not employ, associate in practice with, or assist a person the lawyer knows or reasonably should know is an ineligible person to perform the following on behalf of the lawyer's client: (1) Render legal consultation or advice to the client; (2) Appear on behalf of a client in any hearing or proceeding or before any judicial officer, arbitrator, mediator, court, public agency, referee, magistrate, commissioner, or hearing officer; (3) Appear as a representative of the client at a deposition or other discovery matter; (4) Negotiate or transact any matter for or on behalf of the client with third parties; (5) Receive, disburse or otherwise handle the client's funds; or (6) Engage in activities that constitute the practice of law. **See Rules of Professional Conduct Rule 5.3.1 Employment of Disbarred, Suspended, Resigned, or Involuntarily Inactive Lawyer.**

3. If the registering attorney is suspended or disbarred from the practice of law, the registering attorney shall provide written notice to the Chapter 13 Trustee of the suspension or disbarment within 7 days of entry of order or judgment by the State Bar of California.

4. The failure to comply with the foregoing may result in immediate suspension of the registering attorney's access to this website.