

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA

No. DA 17-0334

STATE OF MONTANA,

Plaintiff and Appellee,

v.

JEREMIAH JAMES STEVENS,

Defendant and Appellant.

**STUDENT PRACTICE PETITION REGARDING KATHRYN
BRAUTIGAM**

Koan Mercer, counsel for Appellant, respectfully petitions the Court to allow law student Kathryn Brautigam to practice before the Court in this matter pursuant to the Montana Student Practice Rule. Ms. Brautigam is enrolled as a clinical student with the University of Montana School of Law's Office of the Appellate Defender Clinic. Undersigned counsel is the Supervising Attorney for this clinic and will be the supervising lawyer for Ms. Brautigam's practice before this Court. Ms. Brautigam has demonstrated herself to be a bright and dedicated individual who will provide competent legal service. Undersigned counsel approves of Ms. Brautigam's appearance in this matter.

As required by the Student Practice Rule, the following documents are attached in support of this Petition: written consent to Ms. Brautigam's appearance

by Appellant Jeremiah Stevens (Ex. A); certification of Ms. Brautigam by the University of Montana Law School Dean (Ex. B); and certification by Ms. Brautigam that she has read and will abide by the Montana Rules of Professional Conduct (Ex. C). Undersigned counsel requests the Court to consider the above Petition as satisfying the Rule's additional requirements for the supervising lawyer's written approval of Ms. Brautigam's appearance and for an introduction of Ms. Brautigam to the Court by an attorney admitted to practice before the Court.

Respectfully submitted this the 7th day of September, 2017.

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By: Koan Mercer
Koan Mercer
Assistant Appellate Defender

EXHIBIT A

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CLIENT CONSENT TO STUDENT PRACTICE

I, Jeremiah James Stevens, the Defendant and Appellant in this case, consent to law student Kathryn Brautigam appearing on my behalf in this matter under the supervision of attorney, Koan Mercer, and to Ms. Brautigam consulting with the law school's clinical faculty regarding my case.

Dated this the 26 day of August, 2017.

JEREMIAH STEVENS

Jeremiah James Stevens

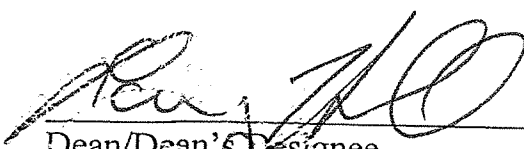
Appellant

EXHIBIT B

Under the Montana Student Practice Rule, Kathryn Brautigam will be supervised
Student's Name
by Koan Mercer of 610 N. Woody St., Missoula 59802
Supervising Attorney Supervising Attorney's mailing address city zip

**DEAN'S CERTIFICATION
OF STUDENT'S MORAL CHARACTER AND LEGAL COMPETENCE**

I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, Kathryn Brautigam is duly enrolled in the Alexander Blewett III School of Law at the University of Montana, which is approved by the American Bar Association; has completed 67 hours of legal studies, which amount to at least two-thirds (2/3) of the total credit hours required for graduation (or is within five credit hours of meeting this requirement); that s/he is of good character; has competent legal ability; and is adequately trained to perform as a legal intern.



Dean/Dean's Designee
Alexander Blewett III School of Law
at the University of Montana

8/30/17

Date

EXHIBIT C

Form 2

STUDENT'S CERTIFICATE

I, Kathryn Brautigan, hereby certify that I have read, am familiar with, and will abide by the Montana Rules of Professional Conduct. I understand that these Rules track the American Bar Association Model Rules of Professional Conduct and have been regularly interpreted by the Ethics Committee of the State Bar of Montana.

Kathryn Brautigan
Name (please print)

Kathryn Brautigan
Signature

08/24/2017
Date

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Gem Koan Mercer, hereby certify that I have served true and accurate copies of the foregoing Petition - Other to the following on 09-07-2017:

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Electronically signed by Pamela S. Rossi on behalf of Gem Koan Mercer
Dated: 09-07-2017