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Case Number: AF 07-0393

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF MONTANA Supreme Court Cause No. AF 07-0393

IN RE THE STUDENT PRACTICE PETITION OF VANCE J. THUESEN

PETITION TO PERMIT STUDENT PRACTICE UNDER THE MONTANA STUDENT PRACTICE RULES

Appearances:

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Pursuant to the Montana Student Practice Rule, the law firm of CHRISTIAN, SAMSON & BASKETT, PLLC, by and through its Member W. Bridger Christian, Esq., respectfully requests that the Court allow Vance J. Thuesen to practice within the state court system of the state of Montana under the direct supervision of W. Bridger Christian, Esq. As grounds for this Petition, the undersigned states:

- 1. I am an attorney licensed to practice law in the State of Montana and I am a Member at Christian, Samson & Baskett, PLLC;
 - 2. I certify that Vance J. Thuesen:
- a. Is duly enrolled at the Alexander Blewett III School of Law at the University of Montana, a law school approved by the American Bar Association;
- b. Has completed his second year of law school and thus has completed legal studies amounting to at least two-thirds (2/3) of the total credit hours required for graduation;
- c. Has been certified by the dean of the law school as being of good character, of competent legal ability, and adequately trained to perform as a legal intern (Dean's Certificate, attached); and
- d. Has certified in writing that he has read, is familiar with, and will abide by the Montana Rules of Professional Conduct (Student Certificate, attached).

- 3. On behalf of Christian, Samson & Baskett, PLLC, I give consent to Vance J. Thuesen's appearance on the law firm's behalf (Supervising Attorney's Approval of Student Appearance, attached);
 - 4. I will assist and counsel Vance J. Thuesen in all work performed;
- 5. I accept full personal and professional responsibility for all of the student's work.
- 6. I will ensure that at least one supervising attorney signs all written submissions in which the student participates;
- 7. I will ensure that at least one supervising attorney is present in person throughout the student's presentations in open court and will introduce Vance J. Thuesen in such appearances.
- 8. I will obtain client consent prior to entering Vance J. Thuesen's appearance in any matter, and will file such client consent with the relevant Court.

Respectfully submitted this 16th day of July, 2024.

CHRISTIAN, SAMSON & BASKETT, PLLC

W. Bridger Christian, Esq.

Under the Montana Student Practice Rule, Vance Thuesen will be supervised Student's Name

by Bridger Christian of 310 W Spruce St., Missoula, MT 59802.

Supervising Attorney

Supervising Attorney's Mailing Address City

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SUBJECT TO SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF SPRING SEMESTER COURSES

I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, Vance Thucsen 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 legal studies amounting 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) subject to successful completion of all spring semester courses; is of good character; has competent legal ability; and is adequately trained to perform as a legal intern.

Dean/Dean's Designee

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at the University of Montana

Under the Montana Student Practice Rule, <u>Vance Thuesen</u> will be supervised

Student's Name

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

I hereby certify that, to the best of my knowledge, Vance Thutsen 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 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

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STUDENT'S CERTIFICATE

I, Vance Thuesen	_, 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 America	an Bar Association Model Rules of
Professional Conduct and have been regularly	y interpreted by the Ethics Committee
of the State Bar of Montana.	
Vance Thuesen	
Name (please print)	
Vann Thuese	05.04.2024
Signature	Date

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SUPERVISING ATTORNEY'S CERTIFICATION TO PERMIT STUDENT PRACTICE UNDER THE MONTANA STUDENT PRACTICE RULES

- I, W. Bridger Christian, Esq., notify the Court that Vance J. Thuesen will participate in cases under The Montana Student Practice Rules. I certify as follows:
- 1. I will assist and counsel Vance J. Thuesen in all work performed in any case.
- 2. I accept full personal and professional responsibility for all work performed by the student.
- 3. I will explain to clients the terms under which Vance J. Thuesen will participate in their case and will obtain client consent for such participation.
- 4. I will ensure that at least one supervising attorney is present in person throughout the student's presentations in open court.
- 5. I will ensure that at least one supervising attorney signs all written submissions in which the student participates and briefly notes the student's participation.

DATED this 16th day of July, 2024.

CHRISTIAN, SAMSON & BASKETT, PLLC

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W. Bridger Christian