

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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SEVENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

HOUSE

NO. 225

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CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND
NINE HUNDRED AND NINETEEN

AN ACT to Amend Persons Not Duly Authorized Attorneys,
Firms, Voluntary Associations and Corporations from the
Practice of Law.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Section 1. No persons, firm, corporation or voluntary as-
2 sociation shall practice or appear as an attorney or counsel-
3 or at law, or solicitor, or counselor in chancery, for any
4 person or persons other than themselves in any court in
5 this state, or before any judicial body or make it a business
6 to practice as an attorney at law before any of said courts,
7 or hold themselves out to the public as being entitled to
8 practice law, or render or furnish legal services or advice,

9 or to render legal services of any kind in actions or pro-
10 ceedings of any nature, or in any other manner assume to
11 be entitled to practice law or to use or advertise the title
12 of lawyer, attorney, attorney or counselor at law, solicitor
13 or councilor in chancery, or to advertise that either alone or
14 together with, by or through any person, whether duly and
15 regularly admitted attorney at law or not, they have, or it
16 has, owns, conducts or maintains a law office or an office
17 for the practice of law, or for furnishing legal advice, ser-
18 vices or counsel, unless such person, or if a firm, unless all
19 of the members thereof are legally admitted to the practice
20 of law. Nor, shall any person, firm, corporation or volun-
21 tary association be permitted to render any services which
22 cannot lawfully be rendered by a person not admitted to
23 practice law in this state, nor to solicit directly or indirectly
24 professional employment for a lawyer.

Sect. 2. Any person, firm, corporation or voluntary asso-
2 ciation violating the provisions of section one of this act
3 shall be liable to a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars,
4 and every officer, trustee, director, agent or employee of
5 such person, firm, corporation or voluntary association, who
6 directly or indirectly engages in any of the acts herein
7 prohibited, or assists such person, firm, corporation or
8 voluntary association to do such prohibited acts, is guilty
9 of a misdemeanor. The fact that such officer, trustee, di-
10 rector, agent or employee shall be a duly and regularly ad-
11 mitted attorney at law, shall not be held to permit or allow

12 any such person, firm, corporation or voluntary association
13 to do the acts prohibited herein.

Sect. 3. Members of the bar in good standing in any other
2 state of the Union or Province of the Dominion of Canada,
3 may practice law before any of the courts of this state only
4 under such laws, rules and restrictions as regulate the
5 practice of non-resident attorneys in the states of their
6 residence.