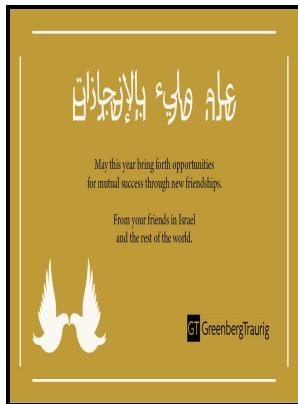


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The number of first-year students who showed up on law campuses this fall declined by 4.

Can someone who is not a lawyer own part of a law firm? In D.C., yes.

As a result of the acquisition, the firm grew from approximately fifty lawyers to over 240 attorneys as of 1996. There is no obligation for a firm to become an ABS, although there may be some pressure from competitors who might influence whether or not a firm decides to become one.

Alternative Business Structures Law Firms

In like manner, profit-sharing plans of a lawyer or law firm which include nonlawyer office employees are not improper. Smith may also rebut the presumption by demonstrating a de minimis interest in the entity providing non-legal services. DR 4-101 of the Code of Professional Responsibility also prohibits a lawyer from revealing the client's confidences or secrets.

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Each state also has a board of accountancy or other similar agency as part of the state government for the purpose of regulating the public accounting profession. Even in-house corporate legal departments operate under the direct control of a non-legal authority.

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Applying DR 1-102 B's choice of law provisions, the committee concluded that D. Lawyers must maintain control over the services the firm provides.

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Some law firms will likewise have been created that include lawyers, digital technologists and other professionals, practicing in those firms. From 2010 to 2015, applications were down by 38 percent and down by nearly one-half over the last eight years.

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In addition, lawyers employed by such firms cannot allow the influence of nonlawyers to influence or compromise their independent professional judgement. Finally, many high level executives brought in to lead and build the subsidiaries got frustrated with the barriers posed by the law firm culture, mind-set and infrastructure. Mid-size firms only want laterals.

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