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**Approval by Adjunct Professor to Supervise Independent Legal Writing or Graduate Independent Legal Writing**

(When completed, this must be attached to a Request to Register for a Restricted Class form)

\_\_\_\_\_ Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Home Phone Cell Phone Email

Year:  2L  3L  4L  L.L.M. Status:  Full-Time  Part-Time  Joint-Degree

Semester and Year Independent Legal Writing or Graduate Independent Legal Writing is requested:

Fall \_\_\_\_\_ Spring \_\_\_\_\_ Summer \_\_\_\_\_

Is this paper intended to satisfy the Legal Writing Requirement?  Yes  No \_\_\_\_\_ Professor's Initials  
*(Completion of two, graded credits is required to satisfy the requirement)*

*I hereby acknowledge that I intend to satisfy the J.D. Legal Writing Requirement in connection with the above listed course (6656). I understand that, in order to satisfy this requirement, my written work in a two (2) credit course must be based on sound legal research, consist of a single paper of no fewer than 8,000 words including footnotes, conform to the legal citations rules recognized and adopted by the Law School, and receive a grade of B – or better.* \_\_\_\_\_ Student's Initials

Explain the reason why Independent Legal Writing or Graduate Independent Legal Writing is requested with this Adjunct Professor:

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**I understand that I may not take more than a total of 2 credits of Independent Legal Writing or Graduate Independent Legal Writing under the supervision of part-time faculty members during the entire course of my degree program.**

**Signature of Student:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**To the Adjunct Professor**

Independent Legal Writing (LAW 6656) and Graduate Independent Legal Writing (LAW 6696) are offered for one or two credits and consist of preparation of a research paper under the supervision of a faculty member. The paper must be based on sound legal research, double-spaced, and conform to the legal citation rules recognized and adopted by the Law School. Typically, the one credit class is approximately 15 pages in length, while the two credit version is approximately 30.

- Moreover, on specified dates, the following are due to the faculty member:
- (1) the topic and length of the paper,
  - (2) an outline of the paper, and
  - (3) one or more drafts of the paper.

A separate grade sheet will be provided for the grade. The Law School does not offer additional compensation to any faculty member agreeing to supervise a paper. Further information on the Legal Writing Requirement and the deadlines for this work can be found in the Bulletin. Please contact Dean Ewert or Dean Belk in the **Dean of Students Office** at **(202) 994-8320** if you have any questions on these or any other issues. Please retain a copy of this document.

**I agree to supervise:**  ONE or  TWO credits of Independent Legal Writing or Graduate Independent Legal Writing with this student.

**Signature of Adjunct Professor:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of Dean Gavoor:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_