

**REVISED JUDICATURE ACT OF 1961 (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 236 of 1961**

**600.5838b Action for legal malpractice; commencement; limitation; definitions.**

Sec. 5838b.

(1) An action for legal malpractice against an attorney-at-law or a law firm shall not be commenced after whichever of the following is earlier:

(a) The expiration of the applicable period of limitations under this chapter.

(b) Six years after the date of the act or omission that is the basis for the claim.

(2) A legal malpractice action that is not commenced within the time prescribed by subsection (1) is barred.

(3) As used in this section:

(a) "Attorney-at-law" means an individual licensed to practice law in this state or elsewhere.

(b) "Law firm" means a person that is primarily engaged in the practice of law, regardless of whether organized as a sole proprietorship, partnership, limited liability partnership, professional limited liability company, professional corporation, or other business entity. Law firm includes a legal services organization.

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