

**Rule 1.5.1 [2-200] Fee Divisions Among Lawyers**  
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- (a) Lawyers who are not in the same law firm\* shall not divide a fee for legal services unless:
  - (1) the lawyers enter into a written\* agreement to divide the fee;
  - (2) the client has consented in writing,\* either at the time the lawyers enter into the agreement to divide the fee or as soon thereafter as reasonably\* practicable, after a full written\* disclosure to the client of: (i) the fact that a division of fees will be made, (ii) the identity of the lawyers or law firms\* that are parties to the division, and (iii) the terms of the division; and
  - (3) the total fee charged by all lawyers is not increased solely by reason of the agreement to divide fees.
- (b) This Rule does not apply to a division of fees pursuant to court order.