

To: UIFSA (2008) Drafting Committee and Advisors and Observers

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Re: Full Text and Comments to Articles 1-6, UIFSA (2008)

Attached please find the full text of Articles 1-6 and draft comments to that text. The first draft of the full text of Arts. 1-6, and an abridged draft limited to those sections with international effects, was previously circulated to the drafting committee. After receiving invaluable suggestions and edits, the attached full text of the amendments to existing UIFSA (2001) is forwarded for review by the experts who served as advisors and observers during the drafting process in 2007-2008.

Note that the format has been altered for ease of reading. The text of the act is in Times Roman 11 point, 1.5 spacing. The comments are in Ariel 12 point, double spaced. This results in a document 144 pages long (on my printer). About 40% of that is statutory text, which is written in concrete and not subject to editing (except perhaps in rare instance by the NCCUSL Executive Committee for grievous error). Your review and suggestions for corrections, additions, and deletions to the comments are sincerely solicited. While not exactly written in sand, the comments are undoubtedly subject to improvement. I can only hope the adjective to "improvement" is not "massive."

Doubtless of immediate note is the fact that Article 7 and comments are not attached. That project is nearing the final stages of completion of a first draft, which currently is 40+ pages in the same format as above.