

PRACTISING CERTIFICATE (BARRISTERS) (AMENDMENT) RULES

(Made by the Bar Council under section 72AA of the Legal Practitioners Ordinance (Cap.159) with the prior approval of the Chief Justice)

1. Commencement

These rules shall come into operation on a date to be appointed by the Bar Council.

2. Application for a practising certificate

Rule 2 of the Practising Certificate (Barristers) Rules (Cap. 159 sub. leg.) is amended-

(a) by adding-

"(1A) An application by an employed barrister under section 31C of the Ordinance for an employed barrister's certificate shall be in accordance with Form 1C in the Schedule."; and

(b) by repealing "such application" in subsection (2) and substituting "an application under subsection (1) or (1A)".

3. Barristers' practising certificates

Rule 3 is amended by adding-

"(4) An employed barrister's certificate shall be in accordance with Form 5 in the Schedule."

4. Schedule amended

The Schedule is amended-

(a) by adding-

"FORM 1C
APPLICATION BY A BARRISTER FOR
AN EMPLOYED BARRISTER'S CERTIFICATE

To: The Bar Council.

I, (name), of
(chambers or office address) apply for the issue to me
of an employed barrister's certificate in accordance
with sections 31C(2) and (3) of the Legal Practitioners
Ordinance.

I confirm that I:-

hold a valid practising certificate issued under
section 30 of the Ordinance.

{OR*

have completed the prescribed qualifying period of
active practice for a barrister.}

{OR*

have been an employed barrister in Hong Kong for at
least 12 months immediately preceding the date of this
application.}

Dated this day of 20..

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Applicant

*Delete whichever is inapplicable."

(b) by adding-

"FORM 5

It is hereby certified, in accordance with section
31C(3) of the Legal Practitioners Ordinance,

that (name) of
(chambers or office address) is an employed barrister.

Dated this day of 20..

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for Bar Council"

Approved this day of, 20..

[Signed]
Chief Justice

Made this day of, 20..

[Bar Council Members]

Explanatory Note

1. These Rules provide for and prescribe the relevant Forms to be used in relation to practising certificates for "employed barristers" within the meaning of section 13 of the Legal Practitioners (Amendment) Ordinance.