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Mrs Percy Ma
Clerk to LegCo Panel on Administration of
Justice and Legal Services
Legislative Council
Legislative Council Building
8 Jackson Road
Central
Hong Kong

Dear Mrs Ma,

Re: Practising Certificate (Solicitors) (Amendment) Rules 2003

Please find enclosed at **Annexure 1** for the assistance of the Panel an advanced copy of the English text of the Practising Certificate (Solicitors) (Amendment) Rules 2003.

These Rules amend Form 2 in the Schedule to the Practising Certificate (Solicitors) Rules (Cap. 159 sub. leg. L). The current Form 2 only contemplates the situation where an application for a practising certificate as a solicitor is made in November. The amended Form 2 caters for applications made at any time of the year.

The Rules have been approved and signed by the Chief Justice. It is intended that the Rules be gazetted on 18 July 2003 after they have been signed by the members of the Council.

Yours sincerely,

Heidi Chu
Assistant Director
Regulation and Guidance
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c.c. Mr Patrick Moss (Secretary General)

ANNEXURE I

PRACTISING CERTIFICATE (SOLICITORS) (AMENDMENT) RULES 2003

(Made by the Council of The Law Society of Hong Kong under
section 73 of the Legal Practitioners Ordinance
(Cap. 159) with the prior approval of the
Chief Justice)

1. Schedule amended

The Schedule to the Practising Certificate (Solicitors) Rules
(Cap. 159 sub. leg. L) is amended in Form 2 -

- (a) by repealing "subsection (1) of";
- (b) by repealing "that subsection" and substituting
"that section".

Approved this 28th day of June 2003.

Andrew Li

Chief Justice

Made this day of 2003.

Explanatory Note

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