L.N. 168 of 2005

BARRISTERS (ADMISSION) (AMENDMENT) RULES 2005

(Made by the Chief Justice under section 72 of the Legal Practitioners Ordinance (Cap. 159))

1. Commencement

These Rules shall come into operation on 9 December 2005.

2. Application for admission as a barrister

Section 2(2)(a) of the Barristers (Admission) Rules (Cap. 159 sub. leg. AA) is amended by repealing "30" and substituting "14".

3. Admission

- (1) Section 3(1) is amended by adding "the Secretary for Justice or any" before "counsel".
- (2) Section 3(2) is amended by adding "the Secretary for Justice or" before "such counsel".

Andrew LI Chief Justice

28 September 2005

Explanatory Note

The object of these Rules is to amend the Barristers (Admission) Rules (Cap. 159 sub. leg. AA) (the "principal Rules")—

- (a) so that a motion in respect of a person seeking admission as a barrister may be heard by the Court of First Instance on a date not less than 14 days (instead of 30 days as provided in section 2(2)(a) of the principal Rules before the amendment) after the filing of the notice of the motion;
- (b) to make it clear that the Secretary for Justice may move the Court of First Instance that a person seeking admission as a barrister be admitted and enrolled as such.