Legal Profession (Qualified Persons) Rules

Table of Contents

Part I PRELIMINARY

- 1 Citation and purpose of these Rules
- 2 Definitions
- 3 Date of admission as candidate for degree of Bachelor of Laws

Part II GRADUATES FROM INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING IN SINGAPORE

- 4 Persons admitted as candidates for degree of Bachelor of Laws by National University of Singapore (or predecessor university) before 1st May 1993
- 5 Persons admitted as candidates for degree of Bachelor of Laws by National University of Singapore on or after 1st May 1993
- 5AA Persons admitted as candidates for degree of Doctor of Jurisprudence by National University of Singapore
- 5A Persons admitted as candidates for degree of Bachelor of Laws by Singapore Management University
- 6 Persons admitted as candidates for degree of Bachelor of Laws by Singapore University of Social Sciences

Part III GRADUATES FROM INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING OUTSIDE SINGAPORE

6 (Deleted)

PDF created date on: 21 Feb 2022

- 7 (Deleted)
- 8 Persons conferred degrees of Bachelor of Laws by institutions in United Kingdom
- 9 Persons conferred degrees in law by institutions in Australia and New Zealand
- 9A Persons conferred degrees of Doctor of Jurisprudence by institutions in the United States of America
- 10 Restrictions relating to non-full-time courses in law for purposes of rules 8, 9 and 9A
- 11 Restrictions relating to accelerated courses and dual degree courses for purposes of rules 8, 9 and 9A
- 12 Restrictions relating to combined degrees
- 13 (Deleted)
- 14 (Deleted)

Part IV MISCELLANEOUS

- 15 Approval of Board of Legal Education or Minister under rules 10(1), (3) and (4), 11(1) and (3) and 12
- 15A Exemption from requirement for relevant legal training or relevant legal practice or work
- 16 Exemption from certain provisions of Parts II and III
- 17 (Deleted)
- 18 Malayan practitioners

FIRST SCHEDULE Institutions of higher learning and degrees in law conferred

SECOND SCHEDULE Institutions of higher learning and degrees in law conferred

THIRD SCHEDULE Institutions of higher learning and degrees in law conferred

FOURTH SCHEDULE Institutions of higher learning and degrees in law conferred

FIFTH SCHEDULE Institutions of higher learning and degrees in law conferred Legislative History

LEGAL PROFESSION ACT (CHAPTER 161, SECTION 2(2))

LEGAL PROFESSION (QUALIFIED PERSONS) RULES

R 15

G.N. No. S 357/2001

REVISED EDITION 2002

(31st January 2002)

[27th July 2001]

PDF created date on: 21 Feb 2022

PART I

PRELIMINARY

Citation and purpose of these Rules

- 1.—(1) These Rules may be cited as the Legal Profession (Qualified Persons) Rules.
- (2) These Rules
 - (a) set out the qualifications and requirements that a person has to possess and

satisfy in order to be a qualified person under paragraph (a) of the definition of "qualified person" in section 2(1) of the Act; and

[S 492/2015 wef 17/08/2015]

(b) provide for the matters referred to in section 14(4) of the Act.

[S 492/2015 wef 17/08/2015]

- (c) [Deleted by S 492/2015 wef 17/08/2015]
- (d) [Deleted by S 492/2015 wef 17/08/2015]

Definitions

2. In these Rules, unless the context otherwise requires —

"accelerated course" means a course of study that is commenced and completed within a period of less than 3 academic years;

[S 243/2011 wef 03/05/2011]

"approved twinning programme" —

- (a) means a twinning programme
 - (i) which leads to
 - (A) any degree of Bachelor of Laws specified in the First Schedule that is conferred on or after 1 January 1997;

[S 677/2017 wef 01/12/2017]

- (AA) [Deleted by S 677/2017 wef 01/12/2017]
 - (B) any degree of Bachelor of Laws specified in the Second Schedule that is conferred on or after 1 January 1997 but before 1 January 2025;

[S 677/2017 wef 01/12/2017]

(C) any degree of Bachelor of Laws specified in the Third Schedule that is conferred on or after 28 July 2003:

[S 677/2017 wef 01/12/2017]

(D) any degree of Bachelor of Laws specified in the Fourth Schedule that is conferred on or after 1 August 2005;

[S 677/2017 wef 01/12/2017]

(E) any degree of Doctor of Jurisprudence specified in the First, Third or Fourth Schedule that is conferred on or after 1 December 2017; or

[S 677/2017 wef 01/12/2017]

(F) any degree of Doctor of Jurisprudence specified in the Fifth Schedule that is conferred on or after 1 January 2004; and

[S 677/2017 wef 01/12/2017]

- (ii) the teaching of which is undertaken partly by the institution of higher learning which confers that degree and partly by
 - (A) if that degree is a degree of Bachelor of Laws conferred on or after 1 January 1997 but before 28 July 2003 one or more of the other institutions of higher learning specified in the First and Second Schedules and the National University of Singapore;

[S 677/2017 wef 01/12/2017]

(B) if that degree is a degree of Bachelor of Laws conferred on or after 28 July 2003 but before 1 January 2004 — one or more of the other institutions of higher learning specified in the First, Second and Third Schedules and the National University of Singapore;

[S 677/2017 wef 01/12/2017]

(C) if that degree is a degree of Bachelor of Laws conferred on or after 1 January 2004 but before 1 August 2005 — one or more of the other institutions of higher learning specified in the First, Second, Third and Fifth Schedules and the National University of Singapore;

[S 677/2017 wef 01/12/2017]

(D) if that degree is a degree of Bachelor of Laws conferred on or after 1 August 2005 but before 1 April 2008 — one or more of the other institutions of higher learning specified in the First, Second, Third, Fourth and Fifth Schedules and the National University of Singapore;

[S 677/2017 wef 01/12/2017]