# Advocates and Solicitors (Amendment) Bill

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#### Bill No. 18/1966

Read the first time on 21st April 1966.

An Act to amend the Advocates and Solicitors Ordinance (Chapter 188 of the Revised Edition).

Be it enacted by the President with the advice and consent of the Parliament of Singapore, as follows:—

#### Short title and commencement

1. This Act may be cited as the Advocates and Solicitors (Amendment) Act, 1966, and shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may, by notification in the *Gazette*, appoint.

### Amendment of section 2

- **2.** Section 2 of the Advocates and Solicitors Ordinance (hereinafter in this Act referred to as "the Ordinance") is hereby amended
  - (a) by deleting the words "British subject or British protected person" appearing in the definition of "qualified person" therein and substituting therefor the word "person";
  - (b) by deleting the words "of the Supreme Court of the Federation of Malaya" appearing in the definition of "qualified person" therein and substituting therefor the words "entitled to practise in the courts in any part of Malaysia";

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- (c) by inserting immediately after the words "Deputy Registrar" appearing at the end of the definition of "Registrar" therein the words "and an Assistant Registrar"; and
- (d) by deleting the definition of "Rules Committee" appearing therein and substituting therefor the following:
  - ""Rules Committee" means the Rules Committee constituted under any written law for the time being in force which has power to make rules for regulating procedure in the Supreme Court;".

#### Amendment of section 5

- **3.** Section 5 of the Ordinance is hereby amended
  - (a) by deleting the words "Such petition shall state that the petitioner is a British subject or British protected person and the grounds upon which the petitioner claims such nationality or status." appearing in subsection (1) thereof;
  - (b) by deleting the words "of the Supreme Court of the Federation of Malaya" appearing in subsection (3) thereof and substituting therefor the words "entitled to practise in the courts in any part of Malaysia";
  - (c) by deleting paragraph (b) of subsection (3) thereof and substituting therefor the following:—
    - "(b) if the petitioner has obtained a certificate from the University of Singapore or the University of Malaya that he has satisfactorily completed a post-graduate practical course organized by the University a period of not less than six months:

Provided that no period of attendance in the office in Singapore as aforesaid shall be counted for the purpose of this paragraph if the petitioner has concurrently attended the postgraduate practical course;";

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- (d) by deleting the words "Her Majesty's dominions" appearing in the third line of subsection (5) thereof and substituting therefor the words "the Commonwealth"; and
- (e) by deleting the words "the Federation of Malaya" appearing in the seventh and eighth lines of subsection (5) thereof and substituting therefor the