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PUBLIC NOTICE

RE: FIT AND PROPER PERSON ASSESSMENT PROCESS FOR FOREIGN APPLICANTS SEEKING TO BE ADMITTED TO PRACTICE IN PAPUA NEW GUINEA

The Papua New Guinea Law Society, in consultation with the Department of Justice and Attorney General, advises that all applicants with foreign academic and practice qualifications seeking admission to practice law in Papua New Guinea must comply with the Attorney General's **Fit and Proper Persons Assessment Process** under Section 25A of the *Lawyers Act 1986* (as amended).

Requirements

Applicants are required to:

- Submit certified copies of prescribed documents, including academic qualifications, practice certificates, police and medical clearances, and character references.
- Attend a **Character Assessment Interview** convened by the Attorney General's representative.
- Sit examinations administered by the PNG Law Society and the Attorney General's representative, covering **Constitutional Law, Land Law, and Customary Law**, facilitated by the University of Papua New Guinea.
- Nominate the lawyer who will move their admission in Papua New Guinea.

Application Procedure

- Applications to sit examinations must be lodged with the PNG Law Society in **Form 1**, accompanied by the prescribed fee of **K500**, as provided under *Section 5* of the *Lawyers (Examination) Regulation 1992*.
- Examination results will be notified to applicants in **Form 2**.
- Successful applicants will be issued a **Certificate of Qualification for Admission**.
- Unsuccessful applicants may re-apply and be re-assessed under the same process.

Enquiries

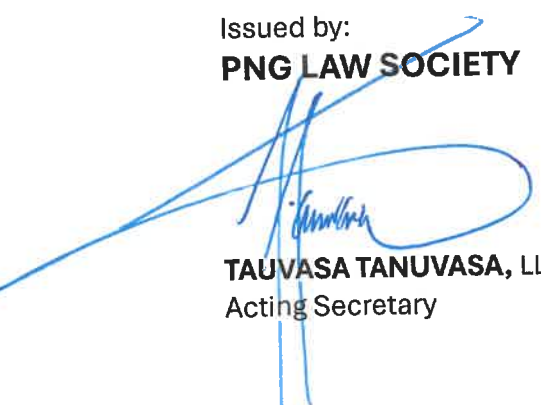
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