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In exercise of the powers conferred by section 80 of the *Legal Practitioners Act 2019*, the Chief Justice makes the following Rules:

PART 1 - PRELIMINARY

1 Citation

These Rules may be cited as the *Legal Practitioners (Admission) Rules 2019*.

2 Commencement

These Rules come into effect on 2 September 2019.

PART 2 - INTITULE

3 Intitule of documents

An application for admission, affidavit to be presented, lodged or filed under these Rules shall be intituled as set out in Form 1 of Schedule 1.

PART 3 – ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

4 Application for admission

An application for admission to practice shall be by petition:

- (a) in the case of a barrister and solicitor under section 7 of the Act, in Form 2 of Schedule 1 of these Rules;
- (b) in the case of a pleader under section 8 of the Act, in Form 3 of Schedule 1 of these Rules;
- (c) in the case of a foreign practitioner under section 9 of the Act, in Form 4 of Schedule 1 of these Rules; and
- (d) in the case of temporary admission under Part 3 of the Act, in Form 5 of Schedule 1 of these Rules.

5 Particulars required for application for admission

- (1) The particulars of a petition for admission to practice as a barrister and solicitor under section 7 of the Act shall have the following documents attached to it and marked appropriately:
 - (a) a certified true copy of the original of the applicant's birth certificate or current passport;
 - (b) a certified true copy of the original of the applicant's degree or Pleadings Certificate;

- (c) a certified true copy of the original of the applicant's certificate of admission to practice; and
 - (d) 2 original certificates of good character no more than a month old.
- (2) The particulars of a petition for admission to practice as a barrister and solicitor under section 8 of the Act shall have the following documents attached to it and marked appropriately:
- (a) a certified true copy of the original of the applicant's birth certificate or current passport;
 - (b) a certified true copy of the original of the applicant's Pleders Certificate;
 - (c) a certified true copy of the original of the applicant's Advocacy Certificate; and
 - (d) 2 original certificates of good character no more than a month old.
- (3) The particulars of a petition for admission to practice as a barrister and solicitor under section 9 of the Act shall have the following documents attached to it and marked appropriately:
- (a) a certified true copy of the original of the applicant's birth certificate or current passport;
 - (b) a certified true copy of the original of the applicant's degree;
 - (c) a certified true copy of the original of the applicant's certificate of admission to practice;
 - (d) original copy of Certificate of Good Standing from a law society or Board of Legal Education from the country the applicant is currently practicing in;
 - (e) 2 original certificates of good character no more than a month old;
 - (f) a certified true copy of the original of the applicant's business visa;
 - (g) police certificate certifying petitioner has not been subject of any order, judgment, finding or conviction arising from any criminal cause or matter or is subject to any pending criminal cause or matter; and
 - (h) 2 original certificates of good character no more than a month old.

- (4) The particulars of a petition for admission to practice as a barrister and solicitor under Part 3 of the Act shall have the following documents attached to it and marked appropriately:
- (a) a certified true copy of the original of the applicant's birth certificate or current passport;
 - (b) a certified true copy of the original of the applicant's degree;
 - (c) a certified true copy of the original of the applicant's certificate of admission to practice;
 - (d) original copy of Certificate of Good Standing from a law society or Board of Legal Education from the country the applicant is currently practicing in;
 - (e) 2 original certificates of good character no more than a month old;
 - (f) evidence of cause or matter in which the applicant intends to appear;
 - (g) evidence of instruction by the client and a resident legal practitioner;
 - (h) a certified true copy of the original of the applicant's business visa;
 - (i) police certificate certifying petitioner has not been subject of any order, judgment, finding or conviction arising from any criminal cause or matter or is subject to any pending criminal cause or matter; and
 - (j) 2 original certificates of good character no more than a month old.

6 Affidavit verifying the petition

A petition for admission shall be verified by an affidavit in Form 6 of Schedule 1 of these Rules.

7 Lodging of petition

A petition for admission shall be lodged with the Registrar in triplicate copies.

8 Notice of petition

- (1) The Registrar shall cause a notice of the petition for admission to be published in the Gazette and to be affixed to the public notice board at the Court House in Yaren.