

**Singapore Academy of Law (Amendment) Act 1995
(No. 34 of 1995)**

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The following Act was passed by Parliament on 27th September 1995 and assented to by the President on 25th October 1995:—

SINGAPORE ACADEMY OF LAW (AMENDMENT) ACT 1995

(No. 34 of 1995)

I assent.

ONG TENG CHEONG
President.
25th October 1995.

Date of Commencement: 10th November 1995

Date of Commencement: 1st January 1996

An Act to amend the Singapore Academy of Law Act (Chapter 294A of the 1989 Revised Edition) and to make consequential amendments to the Notaries Public Act (Chapter 208 of the 1985 Revised Edition) and the Supreme Court of Judicature Act (Chapter 322 of the 1985 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.—(1) This Act may be cited as the Singapore Academy of Law (Amendment) Act 1995 and shall come into operation on such date as the Minister may, by notification in the *Gazette*, appoint.

(2) The Minister may appoint different dates for the coming into operation of the

different provisions of this Act.

Amendment of section 2

2. Section 2 of the Singapore Academy of Law Act (referred to in this Act as the principal Act) is amended by deleting the words “a judge of the Supreme Court” in paragraph (a) of the definition of “judge of the Supreme Court” and substituting the words “a judge of the High Court or as a judge of Appeal”.

Amendment of section 4

3. Section 4 of the principal Act is amended —

(a) by deleting paragraphs (a) and (b) of subsection (1) and substituting the following paragraphs:

“(a) to promote and maintain high standards of conduct and learning of the members of the legal profession in Singapore and the standing of the profession in the region and elsewhere;

(b) to promote the advancement and dissemination of knowledge of the laws and the legal system;

(ba) to promote legal research and scholarship and the reform and development of the law;”;

(b) by deleting the words “legal training and education for” in subsection (1)(d) and substituting the words “for the training, education and examination by the Academy or by any other body, of”;

(c) by deleting the word “and” at the end of subsection (1)(f);

(d) by deleting the full-stop at the end of paragraph (g) of subsection (1) and substituting a semi-colon, and by inserting immediately thereafter the following paragraphs:

“(h) to appoint persons as notaries public or commissioners for oaths and to authenticate their signatures;

(i) to undertake activities and projects relating to the study, development and operation of laws and legal systems and the facilities, information technology and infrastructure in support thereof;

(j) to provide consultancy and other services relating to the study, development and operation of laws and legal systems and the facilities, information

- technology and infrastructure in support thereof;
and
- (k) to exercise the functions and duties conferred on the Academy under any written law.”;
- (e) by inserting, immediately after paragraph (a) of subsection (2), the following paragraphs:
 - “(aa) provide training in subjects of study relating to law, the practice of law or the administration of justice;
 - (ab) appoint trustees of, and to receive, manage and administer, scholarship and other funds;”;
- (f) by deleting paragraph (j) of subsection (2) and substituting the following paragraphs:
 - “(j) invest the moneys and funds of the Academy in such shares, funds, securities or investments as may be authorised by the Senate;
 - (k) enter into such arrangements, agreements or joint ventures as are necessary for the attainment of its functions;
 - (l) form or participate in the formation of any company for the purpose of carrying out all or any of the functions of the Academy;
 - (m) levy and charge fees;
 - (n) exercise such powers as may be conferred on the Academy or the Senate under any written law; and”;
- (g) by re-lettering the existing paragraph (k) of subsection (2) as paragraph (o).

Repeal and re-enactment of section 5

4. Section 5 of the principal Act is repealed and the following section substituted therefor:

“Constitution of Senate

5.—(1) The management of the affairs of the Academy and of its properties shall be vested in a Senate which shall consist of —

- (a) the Chief Justice;
- (b) the judges of the Supreme Court;