

GROUP LAW PRACTICE

FORM 1

APPLICATION FORM FOR SETTING UP A GROUP LAW PRACTICE

A. Details of Applicant Law Firms

Pursuant to Rule 3 of the Legal Profession (Group Law Practice) Rules 2018, **two to five law firms** can apply to set up a Group Law Practice.

Name of the law firms in the proposed Group Law Practice:

- (1) _____
- (2) _____
- (3) _____
- (4) _____
- (5) _____

Details of each individual law firm are to be provided on separate sheets as per **Appendix A** below, and submitted with this Form 1.

B. Details of the Proposed Group Law Practice

(1) List the proposed name(s) of the Group Law Practice in order of preference:

- (a) Proposed name (option 1): _____
- (b) Proposed name (option 2): _____
- (c) Proposed name (option 3): _____

(2) Proposed date of commencement of the Group Law Practice: _____

(3) Common address: _____

(4) Contact details: _____

C. Details of the Contact Person for the Group Law Practice

The contact person for all communications from the Bar Council, is required to be a proprietor of one of the applicant law firms. The contact person shall be the point person of liaison and will be the addressee and addressor for all correspondence and communications from the Bar Council in relation to the Group Law Practice.

Name: _____

Tel (Mobile): _____ (Office): _____

Email address: _____

D. Confirmation of the existence of an agreement with respect to the terms and conditions of the internal management and operation of the Group Law Practice between the members (“Agreement”)

(1) Is there an Agreement? Yes / No

(2) Date of the Agreement: _____

(3) Parties to the Agreement:

E. Declaration

(1) All parties undertake to notify the Bar Council, in writing, of any change in the particulars provided to the Bar Council in relation to the Group Law Practice, within 14 days of such occurrence.

(2) We understand that pursuant to Rule 3(1)(a) and Rule 4(3) of the Legal Profession (Group Law Practice) Rules 2018, the Bar Council will update the Register of Group Law Practice to the effect that a member firm is disqualified from being a member of the Group Law Practice upon the occurrence of one or more of the following:

- (a) The setting up of a branch office by the member law firm;
- (b) The member law firm having more than five advocates and solicitors; and/or
- (c) The member law firm becoming inactive or becoming the subject of intervention.

F. Execution

This is to be signed by the signatory of each applicant law firm. If a sole proprietor, then only the sole proprietor can be the signatory; if a partnership, then all the partners or the Managing Partner can be the signatory.

(Signature)

Name:

NRIC No:

Designation:

Name of law firm:

Date:

(As at 6 July 2018)

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APPENDIX A (FOR FORM 1)

Details of Each Applicant Law Firm

(Please use additional sheets if necessary)

A. FIRM A

(1) Name: _____

(2) Type : Sole proprietorship / Partnership

(3) Address: _____

(4) Name(s) of sole proprietor or partner(s):

(5) Number of advocates and solicitors (including sole proprietor / partner(s) and legal assistant(s)): _____

B. FIRM B

(1) Name: _____

(2) Type : Sole proprietorship / Partnership

(3) Address: _____

(4) Name(s) of sole proprietor or partner(s):

(5) Number of advocates and solicitors (including sole proprietor / partner(s) and legal assistant(s)): _____

(As at 6 July 2018)