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REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

Act No. 76 of 2000

[L.S.]

AN ACT to amend the Legal Profession Act, 1986

[Assented to 12th October, 2000]

ENACTED by the Parliament of Trinidad and Tobago as Enactment
follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the Legal Profession Short title
(Amendment) Act, 2000.

Interpretation
Act No. 21 of 1986

2. In this Act, the Legal Profession Act is referred to as “the Act”.

Act amended

3. Section 15 of the Act is amended by inserting after subsection (1), the following subsection:

“ (1A) Notwithstanding this Act or any other written law to the contrary, a national of Trinidad and Tobago who—

- (a) has passed the Bar Finals or the Bar Vocational Course at an institution validated by the General Council of the Bar of England and Wales, has been called to the Bar of England and Wales and has completed pupillage of at least six months and is certified as such;
- (b) has passed the Law Society Finals or the Legal Practice Course at an institution validated by the Law Society of England and Wales and having undertaken articles or a training contract in accordance with the Training Regulations of the Law Society of England and Wales, has been admitted to the roll of solicitors of the Supreme Court of England and Wales;
- (c) has passed the Bar Vocational Course at an institution validated by the General Council of the Bar of England and Wales; or
- (d) has passed the Legal Practice Course at an institution validated by the Law Society of England and Wales; and
- (e) in the case of persons referred to in paragraphs (c) and (d) has obtained a

certificate from the head of chambers of an attorney-at-law of not less than ten years standing, practising in Trinidad and Tobago to the effect that the national has undergone an attachment at those chambers for a continuous period of not less than six months doing work relating to the practice of Law,

is deemed to hold the qualification prescribed by Law and is entitled, subject to the payment of the prescribed fees, to practise as an attorney-at-law in Trinidad and Tobago.”.

4. Section 26 of the Act is amended—

Section 26
amended

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

“ (1) For the purposes of this Act, a law officer is—

- (i) an attorney-at-law who holds office in the Judicial and Legal Service established by the Judicial and Legal Service Act, which office is declared by Order of the Minister to be a law office; or
- (ii) a legal officer employed by the State on contract;

(b) in subsection (3)—

- (i) by deleting the word “form” and substituting the word “forms”;
- (ii) by deleting the word “Form 3” and substituting the words “Form 3A or Form 3B”.

Second Schedule
amended

- 5. The Second Schedule to the Act is amended—
 - (a) by renumbering Form 3 as Form 3A; and
 - (b) by inserting the new Form 3B as follows:

“FORM 3B

(Section 26)

THE LEGAL PROFESSION ACT, 2000

LAW OFFICER’S CERTIFICATE

It is hereby certified that..... is
 a law officer holding the office of as a
 legal officer employed by the State on contract.

Dated this day of , 2000.

Minister/Chief Legal Officer.”.

Passed in the House of Representatives this 2nd day
of October, 2000.

D. DOLLY
Acting Clerk of the House

Passed in the Senate this 5th day of October, 2000.

N. COX
Clerk of the Senate