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TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

**Act No. 22 of 1972**

[L.S.]

AN ACT to amend the Solicitors Ordinance, Ch. 7. No. 4.

[Assented to 12th June, 1972]

BE IT ENACTED by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, Enactment  
by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and  
House of Representatives of Trinidad and Tobago, and  
by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. This Act may be cited as the Solicitors (Amendment) Short title: Solicitors  
Act, 1972.

Section 2 of  
Ordinance  
amended

2. Section 2 of the Solicitors Ordinance (hereinafter referred to as "the Ordinance") is amended—

- (a) in the definitions of "the Council of the Society" and "the Society" by substituting for the words "the Trinidad Incorporated Law Society" appearing therein the words "the Trinidad and Tobago Law Society";
- (b) by inserting in its appropriate alphabetical order the following definition:—

"Full Court" means any two or more judges of the High Court of Justice;"
- (c) in the definition of "intermediate examination" by adding after the words "intermediate examination" the words "(or Part I of the Examination by the Law Society)";
- (d) in the definition of "final examination" by adding after the words "final examination" the words "(or Part II of the Examination by the Law Society)".

Section 18 of  
Ordinance  
amended

3. Section 18 of the Ordinance is amended—

- (a) in subsection (1) (a) thereof, by adding after the words "practising solicitor" appearing in line three the following words:—

"(which expression shall include the Chief State Solicitor, the Deputy Chief State Solicitor and the Senior State Solicitor)";
- (b) by repealing subsection (4) thereof; and
- (c) by renumbering subsection (5) thereof as subsection (4).

Section 21  
of Ordinance  
amended

4. Section 21 of the Ordinance is amended by substituting the word "two" for the word "one" appearing in line one thereof.

**5. Section 31 of the Ordinance is amended—**Section 31 of  
Ordinance  
amended ✓

- (a) in subsection (1)(e) thereof by substituting for the words "1932-1941; or" in the last line the following:

"1957-1965 or any subsequent amending Solicitors Acts and regulations made thereunder; or";

- (b) in subsection (2) thereof by substituting for the words "Education Board constituted under the Education Ordinance" the words "the Minister of Education";

- (c) in subsection (3) thereof by substituting for the words "1932 to 1941" appearing in line five the words "1957-1965".

**6. The proviso to section 33 (4) of the Ordinance is amended by inserting immediately after the word "case" in line one thereof the following:**Section 33 of  
Ordinance  
amended ✓

"or in the case where a person has passed the Solicitors Qualifying Examination before entering into articles".

**7. Paragraph 1 of the Second Schedule to the Ordinance is amended—**Second  
Schedule to  
Ordinance  
amended ✓

- (a) by deleting the word "law" from line two thereof; and

- (b) by adding at the end thereof the following:

"In the case of a person who before entering into articles has taken a degree (not being an honorary degree) in law at any University specified in the Third Schedule, and has passed the Part 1 Examination or has been granted total exemption therefrom the term of articles shall be two years; and if he has neither passed the Part 1 Examination nor has been granted total exemption therefrom the term of articles shall be two and a half years".

Third  
Schedule to  
Ordinance  
amended

8. The Third Schedule to the Ordinance is repealed and replaced by the following :

“THIRD SCHEDULE

(Section 31)

UNIVERSITIES RECOGNISED FOR CERTAIN PURPOSES  
OF THIS ORDINANCE.

The Universities of the West Indies, Aberdeen, Birmingham, Bristol, Cambridge, Dublin, Durham, East Anglia, Edinburgh, Essex, Exeter, Glasgow, Hull, Keele, Kent, Lancaster, Liverpool, London, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Nottingham, Oxford, Reading, St. Andrew's, Sheffield, Southampton, Sussex, Wales and York, the Victoria University of Manchester, Queen's University of Belfast, the University of Toronto and the National University of Ireland and any other University as may be added by order of the Minister of Education with the concurrence of the Chief Justice and a Puisne Judge.”.

Passed in the House of Representatives this 26th day of May, 1972.

G. R. LATOUR  
*Clerk of the House*

Passed in the Senate this 30th day of May, 1972.

J. E. CARTER  
*Clerk of the Senate*