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SINGAPORE ACADEMY OF LAW ACT
(CHAPTER 294A)

SINGAPORE ACADEMY OF LAW
(AMENDMENT) RULES 2017

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 27 of the Singapore Academy of Law Act, the Senate of the Singapore Academy of Law makes the following Rules:

Citation and commencement

1. These Rules are the Singapore Academy of Law (Amendment) Rules 2017 and come into operation on 8 November 2017.

New rule 10

2. The Singapore Academy of Law Rules (R 1) are amended by inserting, immediately before rule 11, the following rule:

“Specialist Accreditation Board

10.—(1) A Specialist Accreditation Board (called in this rule the Board) comprising the following individuals is appointed under section 10 of the Act:

- (a) a chairperson who is a member of the Senate;
- (b) 4 other individuals, each of whom need not be a member of the Academy.

(2) The function of the Board is to administer a scheme (known as the Specialist Accreditation Scheme) for practising advocates and solicitors to be accredited as specialists in a particular area of practice.

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- (3) The Board has power to do the following things:
- (a) to choose any area of practice in which practising advocates and solicitors may be accredited as specialists;
 - (b) to appoint and supervise each sub-committee appointed by the Board —
 - (i) to assess whether an area of practice is suitable for the accreditation of specialists; and
 - (ii) to develop the Specialist Accreditation Scheme for an area of practice that is assessed to be suitable for the accreditation of specialists;
 - (c) to appoint and supervise each selection committee that assists the Board in —
 - (i) administering the Specialist Accreditation Scheme for an area of practice; and
 - (ii) selecting practising advocates and solicitors for accreditation as specialists in that area of practice;
 - (d) to accredit practising advocates and solicitors as specialists in an area of practice, and to revoke or suspend any existing accreditation of a practising advocate and solicitor;
 - (e) to establish and publish guidelines, policies and procedures for the administration of the Specialist Accreditation Scheme;
 - (f) to do any other thing that is necessary to advance the Specialist Accreditation Scheme.”.

[G.N. Nos. S 533/2005; S 498/2006; S 435/2007; S 461/2008; S 472/2009; S 493/2010; S 245/2011; S 392/2012; S 577/2013; S 13/2014; S 163/2014; S 288/2014; S 605/2014; S 345/2015; S 308/2016]

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