



NOVA SCOTIA BARRISTERS' SOCIETY

Policy on Credentials Committee Admissions Decisions on Applications referred by Executive Director

1.1 Applications considered under this Policy

1.1.1 This policy relates to admission applications in the following categories:

- (a) Application for enrolment as an articled clerk (Regulation 3.3.2);
- (b) Applications by faculty at Dalhousie Law School to be a practicing lawyer (Regulation 3.7.4);
- (c) Application by articled clerk to be a practicing lawyer (Regulation 3.8.6);
- (d) Application to resume practice (Change Category) (Regulation 5.6.3); and
- (e) Application for Permanent Mobility by a lawyer from Outside Canada (Regulation 6.5.5).

Referral of Applications to Credentials Committee by Executive Director

1.1.2 The Executive Director will refer to the Credentials Committee (the "Committee") for consideration any application for admission raising issues of good character or fitness.

Options for the Committee

1.1.3 After considering the application and all information provided by the Executive Director, the Committee may:

- (a) defer a decision and request the Executive Director obtain new information;
- (b) approve the application, with or without terms, and stipulate the effective date of enrolment; or
- (c) deny the application.

Review of Committee's Decision

1.1.4 If the Committee's decision denies the application, or approves the application with terms, the Committee will:

- (a) provide the applicant with written reasons, and
- (b) inform the applicant of the right to appeal to the Credentials Appeal Panel.

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