



# Solicitors Act 1974

## 1974 CHAPTER 47

### PART I

#### RIGHT TO PRACTISE AS SOLICITOR

##### *Admission*

### 3 Admission as solicitor.

- (1) <sup>F1</sup>... No person shall be admitted as a solicitor unless he has obtained a certificate from the Society that the Society—
- (a) is satisfied that he has complied with training regulations, and
  - (b) is satisfied as to his character and his suitability to be a solicitor.
- (2) Any person who has obtained a certificate that the Society is satisfied as mentioned in subsection (1) may apply to the [<sup>F2</sup>Society] to be admitted as a solicitor; and if any such person so applies, the [<sup>F2</sup>Society] , <sup>F3</sup> . . . , shall, unless cause to the contrary is shown to [<sup>F4</sup>its] satisfaction, in writing, and in such manner and form as the [<sup>F2</sup>Society] may from time to time think fit, admit that person to be a solicitor.

<sup>F5</sup>(3) . . . . .

#### Textual Amendments

- F1** Words in s. 3(1) omitted (6.4.2020) by virtue of [Courts and Tribunals \(Judiciary and Functions of Staff\) Act 2018 \(c. 33\)](#), s. 4(3), [Sch. para. 2](#); S.I. 2020/24, reg. 3(b)
- F2** Words in s. 3(2) substituted (1.7.2009) by [Legal Services Act 2007 \(c. 29\)](#), ss. 177, 211, [Sch. 16 para. 5\(a\)](#) (with ss. 29, 192, 193); S.I. 2009/1365, [art. 2\(a\)\(i\)](#)
- F3** Words repealed by [Courts and Legal Services Act 1990 \(c. 41, SIF 76:1\)](#), s. 125(7), [Sch. 20](#)
- F4** Word in s. 3(2) substituted (1.7.2009) by [Legal Services Act 2007 \(c. 29\)](#), ss. 177, 211, [Sch. 16 para. 5\(b\)](#) (with ss. 29, 192, 193); S.I. 2009/1365, [art. 2\(a\)\(i\)](#)
- F5** S. 3(3) repealed by [Courts and Legal Services Act 1990 \(c. 41, SIF 76:1\)](#), s. 125(7), [Sch. 20](#)

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F6 **4** .....

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**Textual Amendments**

**F6** S. 4 repealed (with *temp.* saving) by Courts and Legal Services Act 1990 (c. 41, SIF 37, 76:1), s. 125(2)(6)(7), Sch. 17 para. 9, Sch. 19 para. 11(1)(2)(3), **Sch. 20**

F7 **5** .....

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**Textual Amendments**

**F7** S. 5 repealed by Courts and Legal Services Act 1990 (c. 41, SIF 76:1), s. 125(7), **Sch. 20**

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