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SCHEDULES

SCHEDULE 14

FOREIGN LAWYERS: PARTNERSHIPS AND RECOGNISED BODIES

PART I

REGISTRATION

General

In this Schedule—

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"the Act of 1974" means the Solicitors Act 1974;

"controlled trust" means, in relation to a registered foreign lawyer who is a member of a multi-national partnership, a trust of which he is a sole trustee or co-trustee only with one or more of the employees or other partners of that partnership and of which he is a trustee by virtue of his being a member of that partnership;

"the Council" means the Council of the Law Society;

"the register" means the register maintained by the Society under section 89;

"registration" means registration in that register;

"the Society" means the Law Society; and

"the Tribunal" means the Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal.

Application for registration

- 2 (1) An application for registration or for renewal of registration—
 - (a) shall be made to the Society in such form as the Council may prescribe; and
 - (b) shall be accompanied by such fee as the Council may, with the concurrence of the Master of the Rolls, prescribe.
 - (2) Where such an application is duly made by a foreign lawyer, the Law Society may register the applicant if it is satisfied that the legal profession of which the applicant is a member is one which is so regulated as to make it appropriate—
 - (a) for solicitors to enter into multi-national partnerships with members of that profession; and
 - (b) for members of that profession to be officers of recognised bodies.
 - (3) Any registration may be made subject to such conditions as the Society sees fit to impose.
 - (4) The Council may make regulations, with the concurrence of the Master of the Rolls, with respect to—

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- (a) the keeping of the register (including the manner in which entries are to be made, altered or removed); and
- (b) applications for registration or renewal of registration.
- (5) The register may be kept by means of a computer.

Duration of registration

- (1) Every registration shall have effect from the beginning of the day on which it is entered in the register.
 - (2) The Council may make regulations—
 - (a) prescribing the date ("the renewal date") by which each registered foreign lawyer must apply for his registration to be renewed; and
 - (b) requiring every entry in the register to specify the renewal date applicable to that registration.
 - (3) Any such regulations may—
 - (a) provide different renewal dates for different categories of registered foreign lawyer or different circumstances;
 - (b) provide for the Society to specify, in the case of individual registered foreign lawyers, different renewal dates to those prescribed by the regulations;
 - (c) make such transitional, incidental and supplemental provision in connection with any provision for different renewal dates as the Council considers expedient.
 - (4) Where a foreign lawyer is registered, the Society may cancel his registration if—
 - (a) the renewal date for his registration has passed but he has not applied for it to be renewed; or
 - (b) he has applied to the Society for it to be cancelled.

Evidence as to registration

- Any certificate purporting to be signed by an officer of the Society and stating that a particular foreign lawyer—
 - (a) is, or is not, registered; or
 - (b) was registered during a period specified in the certificate,

shall, unless the contrary is proved, be evidence of that fact and be taken to have been so signed.

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