

THE BERMUDA BAR ACT 1974
APPLICATION FOR A PRACTISING CERTIFICATE

To: The Bermuda Bar Council.

I, Full Name.¹ of Name of Practice/Firm.²
hereby apply for a practising certificate under section 10 of the Bermuda Bar Act 1974 (“the Bar Act”).

I hereby state that the following particulars are true:

1. I was admitted as a Barrister and Attorney under section 51 of the Supreme Court Act 1905 on the Date of Call³ and I am not now suspended under section 57 of the said Act, or Rule 18 of the Bar (Disciplinary Tribunal) Rules 1997, and my name is now not removed from or struck off the Roll.

1A.⁴ I have never been convicted of a criminal offence or been issued with a caution or any other type of warning by the police or any public authority, whether in Bermuda or elsewhere.

1B. I was convicted of the offence[s] of [describe on blank sheet] –

(a) on [date];

(b) in [name of place];

(c) for which I was sentenced [describe on blank sheet:

and the conviction, caution or warning was spent or was in some other manner expunged –

(d) on [date]

(e) in [name of place]

or the conviction, caution or warning has not been spent or in some other manner expunged.

1C. I was issued with a –

(a) caution [describe on a blank sheet];

(b) warning [describe on a blank sheet];

by the police or a public authority, in Bermuda or elsewhere [name of place].

2.⁵ (a) I possess Bermudian Status within the meaning of the Bermuda Immigration and Protection Act 1956

or

(b) There exists a current or valid permit issued under the Bermuda Immigration and Protection Act 1956, entitling me to engage in gainful occupation in these Islands as a Barrister and Attorney

or

(c) I possess spouse employment rights in accordance with the provisions of section 60 of the Bermuda Immigration and Protection Act 1956.

3. I have paid to the Council the fees prescribed under the Bermuda Bar Association (Organization) Rules 1975 for the current year ending 30 November [2024].

4.⁶ (a) I am not

(b) The firm of which I am a partner or in which I am employed is not

(c) The professional company of which I am a partner or employee is not in default of the requirement to file an **Accountant’s Report** pursuant to the Barristers (Accounts and Records) Rules 1976

or

(d) I am not in private practice and do not advise the public.

4A.⁷ I am registered with the **Barristers and Accountants AML/ATF Board** [for year 2024]

or

- (a) the firm of which I am a partner or an employee
or
 (b) the professional company of which I am a partner or employee is registered with the Barristers and Accountants AML/ATF Board
or
 (c) I am not in private practice and do not advise the public.
- 4B.⁸ I am registered with the **Financial Intelligence Agency** for the purpose of making disclosures under section 46(A1) of the 1997 Act
or
 (a) the firm of which I am a partner or an employee
or
 (b) the professional company of which I am a partner or employee is registered with the Financial Intelligence Agency for such purpose
or
 (c) I am not in private practice and do not advise the public.
- 5.⁹ (a) I am
 (b) I am not an un-discharged bankrupt.
6. I have paid to the Bermuda Bar Council the fee prescribed by the Bermuda Bar (Practising Certificate) Rules 1984.
7. I have in the previous twelve months ending 31 October [2023] complied with the requirements of the **Continuing Legal Education Programme** approved by the Bar Council.
- 8.¹⁰ (a) I have provided the Bar Council with evidence that I have **professional liability insurance** as required by section 13A(1) of the Bar Act and the Bermuda Bar (Insurance) Rules 2009 [required if fall under (b) & (c)]
or
 (b) I am a barrister described under section 13A(5)(d) of the Bar Act and the firm of barristers of which I am a partner or employee have provided the Bar Council with evidence that they have the professional liability insurance required by section 13B (1) of the Bar Act and the Bermuda Bar (Insurance) Rules 2009.
or
 (c) I am a barrister described under section 13A(5)(e) of the Bar Act and the professional company of which I am a member or employee have provided the Bar Council with evidence that they have the professional liability insurance required by section 16B(1)(h) of the Bar Act and the Bermuda Bar (Insurance) Rules 2009.
or
 (d) I am a barrister described under section 13A(5)(a), (b) or (c) of the Bar Act [In-House].
9. I have been issued a **fit and proper person certificate** by the Bar Council within a period of 90 days immediately preceding the date of this application.

Dated this day of 202_

Signature of Applicant:

Assistance:

¹ Insert name of Applicant (how name is to appear on Practising Certificate).

² Insert name of practice/firm/professional company, or if In-House, name of company.

³ Insert date of Bermuda Admission/call.

⁴ Select (1A) (1B) or (1C) (give details if (1B) or (1C)) on separate page if needed.

⁵ Select (a) (b) or (c) (PRC select (a) and place PRC in brackets)

⁶ Accountants report select (a) (b) (c) or (d)

⁷ Barristers and Accountants AML/ATF Board Select (a), (b) or (c) (annual renewal registration open 1 Oct and closes 31 Oct)

⁸ FIA (one-time registration/no fee) Select (a) (b) or (c)

⁹ Select (a) or (b)

¹⁰ Professional Liability Insurance select (a) and (b) firm of barristers or (c) professional company, or (d) only for In-House Counsel who do not advise the public.

Items #3, #4A and #7 see annual year change.

Item #9 Fit & Proper Person (“FPP”) application to be submitted to the Bar Office to conduct World Check. The results are provided to Bar Council to determine whether or not to issue FPP Certificate to the applicant. This Practising Certificate application (form) submission date must not pre-date the Fit & Proper Person Certificate issue date.

Traffic offences such as Speeding and DUI report under **1B** (Speeding last 3 years only. DUI no expiration). Parking offences are not required to be reported.