



THE

LAW SOCIETY
OF HONG KONG

香港律師會

**PANEL OF INTERNATIONAL MEDIATORS OF
THE LAW SOCIETY OF HONG KONG
INFORMATION ON ADMISSION**

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I. THE PANEL OF INTERNATIONAL MEDIATORS OF LAW SOCIETY

The Law Society of Hong Kong (“LSHK”) maintains two panels of international mediators (“Panels”) to assist parties with mediation for international and cross-border disputes. The Panels aimed to serve as a database of solicitor-mediators who have relevant experience in mediation for international and cross-border disputes.

Applications for admission to the Panels are reviewed by the Mediator and Parenting Co-ordinator Admission Committee (“MPCAC”) of the LSHK. A successful applicant to the Panel(s) must satisfy certain requisite qualifications in order to be admitted on the Panel(s).

Details on admission are set out in the paragraphs below.

II. PROCEDURES FOR ADMISSION AS INTERNATIONAL MEDIATORS

1. Two panels of International Mediators

The LSHK maintains two panels of International Mediators:

- (a) Panel of International General Mediators; and
- (b) Panel of International Family Mediators.

The above panels have separate admission requirements and procedures. A solicitor who wishes to be admitted under more than one panel is required to satisfy the admission requirements and procedures of the respective panels. Application will be considered on an individual basis.

2. To be admitted as an International Mediator, an applicant must be:

(a) Prerequisites:

- (i) a holder of a current practising certificate; and
- (ii) a current member of the LSHK.

(b) Requirements to be International General Mediator:

- (i) an Accredited / Admitted General Mediator of the LSHK;
- (ii) has at least 7 years of P.Q.E. as solicitor on a full time basis; and
- (iii) has relevant experience in general mediation for international and cross-border disputes.

(c) Requirements to be International Family Mediator:

- (i) an Accredited / Admitted Family Mediator of the LSHK;
- (ii) has at least 7 years of P.Q.E. as solicitor on a full time basis; and
- (iii) has relevant experience in family mediation for international and cross-border disputes.

III. DISCRETIONARY POWERS OF THE MEDIATOR AND PARENTING COORDINATOR ADMISSION COMMITTEE

The MPCAC has the following discretionary powers in the consideration of any application for admission to the Panel:

- (i) to waive any of the admission requirements as set out in paragraph 2(b) and 2(c) of Section II above in particular cases, as appropriate;
- (ii) to require any applicant to provide further information to support his / her application for admission, and / or to take part in a personal interview conducted by the MPCAC; and
- (iii) to approve and refuse applications for admission, if the MPCAC considered appropriate.

IV. APPLICATION FORM AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

An applicant who has satisfied the above requirements may apply to the MPCAC for admission to the Panel by submitting a completed application form together with relevant supporting document(s), if any.

Applications will be vetted and considered by the MPCAC and, where necessary, by other committees of the LSHK.

The MPCAC has the right to ask an applicant for documentation proof on other and further information in relation to his / her application.

Successful applicants may have their names included on the Panel.

V. HOW TO APPLY AND ENQUIRY

(a) Completed application should be sent to the LSHK:

By Post: The Law Society of Hong Kong
3/Floor, Wing On House,
71 Des Voeux Road, Central, Hong Kong
(Attn: DRC)

(b) Enquiry:

Email: mediation@hklawsoc.org.hk

Telephone: 2846 0582

Fax: 2845 0387

The fees for application to the Panel are waived, until further notice.