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To: The Honorary Secretary

APPLICATION FOR ORDINARY / PUPIL MEMBERSHIP

I hereby apply for ordinary / pupil membership of your society.

1	Name of applicant: ID No:	
2	Postal address: E-mail address:	
	Phone number(s):	
3	Work address:	
	Phone number(s):	
4	Date of birth:	

5	<p>Academic qualifications:</p> <p>(Including the name of the university and date of each qualification)</p>	
6	<p>Previous legal experience (if any):</p>	

7	Details of employment or occupation over the last five years (if any):	
8	Date of and division where you were admitted as an advocate:	
9	If not admitted, date when and division where your application for admission was or will be lodged with the registrar:	
10	Apart from the above, give particulars of any previous:	
10.1	Application for admission as an advocate:	
10.2	Admission as an advocate:	
10.3	Application for membership of any bar:	
10.4	Membership of any bar:	
10.5	Pupillage applied for:	
10.6	Pupillage served:	

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11.1	Do you intend to practise on completion of your pupillage?:	
11.2	If the answer in 11.1 is “no” , set out details of what you propose to do:	
11.3	If the answer is “yes”, when do you intend to start practise and where?	
12	Has a member of the bar agreed to accept you as his pupil? If so, give his name: (The Pupillage Committee reserves the right to appoint a different master.)	

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14.	Please furnish the names of two persons (preferably local persons) to whom the bar council can refer:-	
14.1	Name: Address: Tel. No.	
14.2	Name: Address: Tel no.:	

15. Do you wish to apply for exemption of any of the ordinary requirements of pupillage? If so, state on a separate page the exemption requested and all the facts relied upon to support your application.

(Note: exemptions are granted sparingly)

16. Give all further information regarding your fitness to undertake pupillage or to practise as an advocate, if necessary on a separate page, which the bar council should have in order to consider your application. *Inter alia*, details of criminal charges brought against you or findings by a court which have a bearing upon your fitness to practise as an advocate should be mentioned.
17. Before admission to the society you will be requested to attend an interview with the chairman or a senior member of the bar council or bar. Would you kindly arrange such an interview with the secretary of the bar council. At the interview the following documents will be required:
- 17.1 Your degree certificate (if already conferred);
- 17.2 Your identity document;
- 17.3 A testimonial from the dean of the faculty of law which you attended in which it is stated that in the opinion of the dean, you are a fit and proper person to be admitted as an advocate and as a member of this society.
- 17.4 Your admission order (if already granted).

18. The interview can take place before the LL.B. degree is conferred upon you or before your admission as an advocate, but in that event your degree certificate and admission order will have to be exhibited to the society in due course. If it is difficult to obtain a testimonial of the dean of the law faculty, you are required to state the reason for your inability to obtain the testimonial and this requirement may be waived by the society.
19. I declare that I have not been guilty of any dishonest or improper conduct or other conduct which will render me unsuitable or disqualify me from being admitted as an advocate or of being admitted as a member of the society. No investigation relating to any such conduct is being considered or is pending. No fact, circumstance or information which ought to be considered by the society in order to enable it to decide upon my fitness to be admitted as a member has been withheld by me.
20. I undertake:-
- 20.1 That during my pupil membership I will abide the rules of the society and any directions and decisions of the bar council and the General Council of the Bar of South Africa and the National Bar Examination Board;
- 20.2 That, save to the extent that I may in law be compellable to do so, I will not, during or after the period of my pupillage, disclose to any person any information obtained by me during the course of my pupillage concerning the affairs of my master or any other advocate with whom I might work as a pupil or concerning the affairs of any client.

Signature of applicant

Date: