

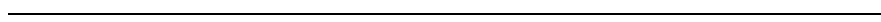
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**LEGAL PROFESSION (AMENDMENT) BILL 2023**

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**I ASSENT**

**Governor**

DATE:

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**A BILL FOR**

AN ACT TO AMEND THE LEGAL PROFESSION ACT (CAP. 2.21).

BE IT ENACTED by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of Montserrat, and by the Authority of the same as follows:—

**1. Short title**

This Act may be cited as the Legal Profession (Amendment) Act, 2023.

**2. Interpretation**

In this Act, “**principal Act**” means the Legal Profession Act, (Cap. 2.21).

**3. Section 2 amended**

Section 2 of the principal Act is amended by inserting the following definition in the correct alphabetical order—

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“**Secretary**” means the person appointed as such under section 38(2).”.

**4. Section 38 amended**

Section 38(2) of the principal Act is deleted and the following is substituted—

“(2) The Chief Justice shall appoint an attorney-at-law with at least five years’ legal experience as Secretary of the Committee to perform the following duties—

- (a) record the minutes of meetings and proceedings in proper form;
- (b) issue notices or documents as may be required; and
- (c) any other task as the Committee may require.”.

**5. Schedule 5 amended**

Schedule 5 of the principal Act is amended by deleting paragraph 1.

**5. Schedule 6 amended**

Schedule 6 of the principal Act is amended—

- (a) by inserting the following as paragraph 3A—

**“3A. Interpretation of “Secretary”**

For the purposes of this Schedule, “**Secretary**” means the person appointed as Secretary of the Bar Association under paragraph 3.”; and

- (a) in paragraph 23(1), by deleting “of the Bar Association”, the second time it appears.

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**SPEAKER**

Passed by the Legislative Assembly this    day of            , 2023.

**CLERK OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**