

Law Society of Ireland

[FORM 1]

APPLICATION FOR CONSENT TO ENTER INTO INDENTURES OF APPRENTICESHIP  
("training contract")\*

I, TRAINEE NAME  
of TRAINEE HOME ADDRESS

in the City/County of ..... ("proposed trainee solicitor") **HEREBY APPLY** to the  
Law Society of Ireland ("the Society") for consent to enter into indentures of apprenticeship ("training contract")  
with TRAINING SOLICITOR NAME, Solicitor,  
of FIRM NAME AND ADDRESS in the  
City/County of ..... (the "proposed training solicitor")

\*\*for a term of service under indentures of apprenticeship ("period of in-office training") as a trainee solicitor on a continuous and full-time basis of two years to commence on a date that will be fourteen days after the date on which the later of the following occurs, namely, I duly completing the Society's Professional Practice Course (or, if applicable, the Society's Professional Practice Course Hybrid) and I sitting the last of the individual examinations comprising the Society's Final Examination-Second Part (or, if applicable, the Society's Final Examination-Second Part) as I am required to sit.

or

\*\*for a term of service under indentures of apprenticeship ("period of in-office training") as a trainee solicitor on a continuous and full-time basis of ..... months, to commence on a date to be agreed, in particular circumstances, by the Society's Education Committee, having regard to the fact that I have as a trainee solicitor already completed ..... months of my period of in-office training under a previous training contract with my former training solicitor, ..... Solicitor, of ..... in the City/County ..... and also having regard to any other particular circumstances of the case.

or

\*\*for a term of service under indentures of apprenticeship ("period of in-office training") as a trainee solicitor on a continuous and full-time basis of ..... months, as agreed to by the

**\*See Notes set out in the document headed "Annexe to Form 1", which Notes (prior to the completion of this Form) should be read by the proposed trainee solicitor and duly certified by him/her as having been so read.**

**\*\*Delete if not applicable.**

Society's Education Committee on foot of an application by me in particular circumstances , such term of service to commence on a date to be agreed by such Committee.

1. I was born on the ..... **DATE OF BIRTH** .....day of..... 19...../20.....  
[Evidence attached]

2. I passed the Society's Preliminary Examination in..... **IF APPLICABLE** .....20.....  
[Evidence attached]

or

\*\*I am exempted from sitting the Society's Preliminary Examination by reason of holding a recognised degree.  
[Evidence attached]

or

\*\*I am exempted from sitting the Society's Preliminary Examination by reason of holding a degree (not being an honorary degree) or other qualification which, in the opinion of the Society's Education Committee in the particular case, is equivalent to a recognised degree.  
[Evidence attached]

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THE  
APPLICABLE  
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\*\* I am exempted from sitting the Society's Preliminary Examination by reason of holding the degree of barrister at law from the Honourable Society of King's Inns, Dublin , or other professional qualification which, in the opinion of the Society's education committee in the particular case, is equivalent thereto.

or

\*\*I am exempted from sitting the Society's Preliminary Examination by reason of being a law clerk within the meaning of section 2 (as substituted by section 42 of the Solicitors (Amendment) Act 1994) of the Solicitors Act 1954 and I have attained a standard of education and experience as, in the opinion of the Society's Education Committee in the particular case, is equivalent to the Society's Preliminary Examination.  
[Evidence attached]

or

\*\* I am exempted from sitting the Society's Preliminary Examination by reason of being a person from a designated country who, pursuant to an application made under Regulation 3 of The Solicitors Acts 1954 to 2002 (Apprenticeship and Education) (Recognition of Qualifications) Regulations 2004, has been granted an exemption therefrom by the Society's Education Committee.  
[Evidence attached]

3. I passed the Society's Final Examination - First Part in ..... **FE1 PASS DATE** .....20 .....

4. My previous education record is as set out in the attached certificate signed by me.

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**\*\*Delete if not applicable.**

[Certificate of proposed trainee solicitor attached should outline, as applicable, his/her previous education record, and public examination(s) passed and degree(s)/diploma(s) attained.]

5. My previous employment record is as set out in the attached certificate signed by me. [Certificate of proposed trainee solicitor attached should outline, as applicable, his/her employment record, including the name/address of each employer, the proposed trainee solicitor's position in each employment and the period of each such employment.]

6. I submit character references from:

(i) Name: ..... REFERENCE DETAILS .....

Occupation: .....

Address: .....

and

(ii) Name: ..... REFERENCE DETAILS .....

Occupation: .....

Address: .....

[At least two character references should be submitted with this application (in addition to the character reference included in paragraph 5 of the related Form 2A (certificate of proposed training solicitor) or the related Form 2A (certificate of training officer)) but, in particular circumstances, the Society's Education Committee may request one or more additional character references.]

7. I have not been convicted of any criminal offence, nor has the Probation of Offenders Act 1907 (or any statutory equivalent thereof) been applied to any criminal summons or charge against me, nor is there any criminal summons or charge pending against me (other than as detailed and attached hereto). [Delete words in brackets if not applicable.]

8. I hereby authorise the Society to make such enquiries as it deems it proper to make in exercise of its statutory authority pursuant to section 27 (as substituted by section 43 of the Solicitors (Amendment) Act 1994) of the Solicitors Act 1954.

Dated this ..... day of ..... 20..... DATE THE FORM

Signature of proposed trainee solicitor ..... SIGN THE FORM