



The New South Wales Bar Association

## **PRACTISING CERTIFICATE RENEWALS 2007-08**

### ***HAVE YOU LODGED YOUR PRACTISING CERTIFICATE RENEWAL APPLICATION???***

#### **RENEWALS UPDATE # 7**

**12 June 2007**

**ALL PRACTISING CERTIFICATE RENEWAL DOCUMENTATION AND  
PAYMENT SHOULD HAVE BEEN RECEIVED BY THE BAR ASSOCIATION  
BY 6PM ON THURSDAY 7 JUNE 2007.**

***IF YOU HAVE NOT YET SENT IN YOUR DOCUMENTATION AND PAYMENT  
IT IS OVERDUE - THE STATUTORY LATE FEE NOW APPLIES.***

#### **Late fee**

***Late renewals cannot not be processed until the late fee is paid.*** The late fee is 10% of the practising certificate fee or \$30, ***whichever is the highest.***

If you believe there are exceptional circumstances why you were unable to lodge your application by the statutory deadline, you may make a written application to the Treasurer for a waiver of the late fee (such application is to be accompanied with an undertaking that it will be paid if the application to the Treasurer is unsuccessful). The late fee will only be waived in the **most exceptional cases**. It will not be waived because late lodgement was due to oversight or absence from chambers during the renewal period.

#### **Renewals received after 30 June must be rejected**

If the Association does not receive your renewal documentation and payment until after 30 June, section 47(3) of the *Legal Profession Act 2004* states that the Council 'must reject the application.' You will be required to complete a *new application* for a practising certificate and will not be able to practice until such time as that application has been processed. *New applications cannot be processed quickly.* A practising certificate will not be issued the same day the application is lodged.

#### **Not renewing or otherwise retiring from practice?**

If you do not intend to renew your practising certificate, please let the Association know as soon as possible so that we may update the statutory register of practitioners – and adjust our records so that we do not need to correspond with you concerning your practising certificate.

Should you have any queries in relation to the above, please contact the Association's Certification Officer on ph 9232 4055, fax 9221 1149, or e-mail [certification@nswbar.asn.au](mailto:certification@nswbar.asn.au).

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