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In exercise of the powers conferred by sections 20 and 21 of the Legal Practitioners Law (2007 Revision), the Governor in Cabinet makes the following regulations -

- 1. These Regulations may be cited as the Legal Practitioners (Students) Citation (Amendment) Regulations, 2009.
- 2. The Legal Practitioners (Students) Regulations (2008 Revision), in these Regulations referred to as the "principal Regulations", are amended by repealing regulation 27 and substituting the following regulation -

Repeal and substitution of regulation 27 of the Legal Practitioners (Students) Regulations (2008 Revision) – eligibility for Qualifying Examination

"Eligibility for Qualifying Examination

- 27. A person shall not be eligible to enrol on any course leading to the Qualifying Examination or to present himself for the Qualifying Examination unless -
  - (a) he possesses Caymanian status within the meaning of the Immigration Law (2009 Revision) (or, if he does not possess that status, he has obtained the written consent of the Governor in Cabinet); and
  - (b) he has obtained -
    - (i) the Law Degree in accordance with these regulations; or
    - (ii) a qualification which, in the opinion of the Council, is equivalent to the Law Degree.".
- 3. The principal Regulations are amended by inserting after regulation 27 the following regulation -

Insertion of regulation 27A- further requirements to enrol on any course leading to the Qualifying Examination "Further requirements to enrol on any course leading to the Qualifying Examination

- 27A. (1) Subject to subregulations (3) and (4), a person applying for enrolment on any course leading to the Qualifying Examination shall not be eligible to enrol on that course if -
  - (a) his Law Degree or equivalent qualification under regulation 27(b)(i) or (ii) is stale; or
  - (b) he has a criminal conviction.
- (2) A Law Degree or equivalent qualification is stale if a period of more than seven years has elapsed since the date of its conferral.
- (3) The Council may, if an applicant's Law Degree or equivalent qualification is stale, permit that applicant to enrol on the course leading to the Qualifying Examination, upon being satisfied that the applicant has demonstrated that he has maintained a satisfactory level of legal knowledge.
- (4) The Council may, if an applicant has a criminal conviction for an offence other than one of dishonesty, drug trafficking or serious personal violence, permit that applicant to enrol on the course leading to the Qualifying Examination, upon being satisfied that he is of a suitable character and fitness to enrol on that course."

Amendment of regulation 28 -Qualifying Examination

- 4. The principal Regulations are amended in subregulation (1) of regulation 28 by deleting paragraphs (g) and (h) and substituting the following paragraphs-
  - " (g) Corporate Practice;
    - (h) Professional Conduct and Ethics;
    - (i) Practical Legal Research; and
    - (j) such other subjects as the Council may approve.".

Made in Cabinet the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of November, 2009.

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Clerk of the Cabinet.