

Report of the Special Committee on Admission

The total number of local admissions for 2008 (up to 30 November), with a breakdown of admissions based on different qualifications and through different qualifying routes and of those who have proceeded to private practice and those who have joined the Department of Justice, and together with the statistics for 1995-2007, are as follows:

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Total admissions for the year	90	92	92	85	93	93	73	78	21	65	87	82	68	68*
Admissions based on U.K. qualifications:	<u>28</u>	<u>29</u>	<u>41</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>4</u>	-	-	-	-	-
- joined the private Bar	12	15	13	12	4	10	4	6	4	-	-	-	-	-
- joined the Legal Department/Department of Justice	2	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-
- unknown	14	14	27	21	14	6	10	2	0	-	-	-	-	-
Admissions relying on the transitional provision s.74C:	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<u>4</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>2</u>	-	-	-
- joined the private Bar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	6	1	-	-	-
- unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	4	1	-	-	-
Admissions based on PCLL qualifications:	<u>62</u>	<u>57</u>	<u>47</u>	<u>46</u>	<u>62</u>	<u>63</u>	<u>50</u>	<u>63</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>49</u>	<u>74</u>	<u>73</u>	<u>63</u>	<u>66</u>
- joined the private Bar	35	21	28	25	36	42	29	43	6	48	70	66	59	62
- joined the Legal Department/Department of Justice	8	7	5	3	5	3	6	3	0	1	4	7	0	0
- unknown	19	29	14	18	21	18	15	17	2	0	0	0	4	4
Admissions of former legal officers:	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
- joined the private Bar	0	2	1	0	1	1	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0
- remained in the Legal Department/Department of Justice	0	1	1	0	0	3	2	3	0	3	0	1	0	0
- unknown	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Admissions of former solicitors:	<u>0</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>0</u>
- joined the private Bar	0	2	2	3	10	4	7	3	1	3	11	6	4	0
- joined the Legal Department/Department of Justice	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- unknown	0	0	0	1	2	5	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0
Admissions of overseas lawyers:	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>
- joined the private Bar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	0	2
- joined the Legal Department/Department of Justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0
- unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0
Admissions under s.27(1)(b)	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Currently holding a practising certificate	35	39	41	30	43	49	36	48	17	48	69	64	61	54

*as at 30 November 2008

To give members an accurate view of the net growth of the Bar since 1995, the numbers of members who were admitted in 1995 and thereafter and who are currently holding a Practising Certificate are set out in the last row.

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Hon. Secretary

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