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# **LEGAL PROFESSION (AMENDMENT) ACT 2023**

No. 4 of 2023

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### **I ASSENT**

(Sgd.) Sarah Tucker

Governor

DATE: 06.03.2023

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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).

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#### 3. Section 2 amended

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

""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-atlaw 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.

#### 6. 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

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

(Sgd.) Charliena White

### **SPEAKER**

Passed by the Legislative Assembly this 28th day of February, 2023.

(Sgd.) Judith Baker

CLERK OF THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY