

Report on Standing Committee on Local Admissions 2018

The total number of local admissions for 2018 (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 2005 - 2017, are as follows:

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Total admissions for the year	87	82	68	72	55	50	70	66	82	82	90	85	86	108*
Admissions replying on the transitional provision s.74C:	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- joined the private Bar	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- unknown	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Admissions based on PCLL qualifications:	74	73	63	70	54	45	68	64	78	79	86	84	85	105
- joined the private Bar	70	66	59	66	45	30	49	54	61	65	68	63	61	77
- joined the Legal Department/Department of Justice	4	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	6	5	6
- unknown	0	0	4	4	9	15	19	10	16	14	17	15	19	22
Admissions of former legal officers:	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
- joined the private Bar	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
- remained in the Legal Department/Department of Justice	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- unknown	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Admissions of former solicitors:	11	6	5	0	0	4	1	1	3	2	2	1	1	1
- joined the private Bar	11	6	4	0	0	3	1	1	3	2	1	1	1	1
- joined the Legal Department/Department of Justice	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- unknown	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Admissions of overseas lawyers:	-	2	0	2	0	0	1	1	0	1	2	0	0	2
- joined the private Bar	-	2	0	2	0	0	1	1	0	1	2	0	0	2
- joined the Legal Department/Department of Justice	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- unknown	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Admissions under s.27(1)(b)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Currently holding a practising certificate	50	46	49	53	43	40	51	50	67	68	78	74	72	80

*as at 30 November 2018

To give members an accurate view of the net growth of the Bar since 2005, the numbers of members who were admitted in 2005 and thereafter and who are currently holding a Practising Certificate are set out in the last row.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Ms. Peace Lau of the Bar Secretariat for her hard work and support.

Maggie Wong SC
Honorary Secretary

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