

Report of the Special Committee on Local Admissions

The total number of local admissions for 2011 (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 1998 - 2010, are as follows:

	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011
Total admissions for the year	85	93	93	73	78	21	65	87	82	68	72	55	50	66*
Admissions based on U.K. qualifications:	<u>34</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>4</u>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- joined the private Bar	12	4	10	4	6	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- joined the Legal Department/Department of Justice	1	0	0	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
- unknown	21	14	6	10	2	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Admissions replying 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>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>70</u>	<u>54</u>	<u>45</u>	<u>64</u>
- joined the private Bar	25	36	42	29	43	6	48	70	66	59	66	45	30	41
- joined the Legal Department/Department of Justice	3	5	3	6	3	0	1	4	7	0	0	0	0	0
- unknown	18	21	18	15	17	2	0	0	0	4	4	9	15	23
Admissions of former legal officers:	<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>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>
- joined the private Bar	0	1	1	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
- remained in the Legal Department/Department of Justice	0	0	3	2	3	0	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
- unknown	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Admissions of former solicitors:	<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>	<u>0</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>1</u>
- joined the private Bar	3	10	4	7	3	1	3	11	6	4	0	0	3	1
- joined the Legal Department/Department of Justice	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
- unknown	1	2	5	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
Admissions of overseas lawyers:	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>1</u>
- joined the private Bar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	0	2	0	0	0
- joined the Legal Department/Department of Justice	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	0	0	0
- unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	0	0	1
Admissions under s.27(1)(b)	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Currently holding a practising certificate	29	43	44	36	40	14	44	63	54	57	63	48	45	42

*as at 30 November 2011

To give members an accurate view of the net growth of the Bar since 1998, the numbers of members who were admitted in 1998 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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