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The Law Society of Ireland, in exercise of the powers conferred on the Society by Section 47 of the Solicitors Act 1954 (as substituted by Section 54 of the Solicitors (Amendment) Act 1994), Section 82 of the Solicitors Act 1954, Section 22 of the Solicitors (Amendment) Act 1960 (as substituted by Section 30 of the Solicitors (Amendment) Act 1994), Section 66 of the Solicitors (Amendment) Act 1994 and Regulation 9 of the Solicitors Practising Certificate Regulations 2020 hereby make the following Regulations:

1. Citation and commencement

- (a) These Regulations may be cited as the Solicitors Practising Certificate (Application Fee) Regulations 2023.
- (b) These Regulations shall apply in respect of the 2024 practice year.

2. Definitions

- (a) In these Regulations, except where the context otherwise requires:
- "Act of 1960" means the Solicitors (Amendment) Act 1960 (No. 37 of 1960);
- "Act of 2015" means the Legal Services Regulation Act 2015 (No. 65 of 2015);
- "application fee" means the total amount of the fees payable in respect of any application for a practising certificate, as prescribed by the Society from time to time and includes, where appropriate and applicable, the registration fee, the contribution to the Compensation Fund pursuant to Section 22 of the Act of 1960, the contribution in respect of the Authority's Levy Fund under the Act of 2015 and shall, where applicable, mean the fees payable under these Regulations.
- "practice year" means the calendar year;
- **"practising certificate"** has the meaning given to it in Section 46 of the Act of 1954;
- "the 2020 Regulations" means the Solicitors Practising Certificate Regulations 2020; and
- "the 2024 practice year" means the practice year commencing on 1 January 2024 and ending on 31 December 2024.
 - (b) Other words and phrases in these Regulations shall have the meanings assigned to them by the Solicitors Acts 1954-2015, the Act of 2015 and the 2020 Regulations.

(c) The Interpretation Act 2005 applies to the interpretation of these Regulations as it applies to the interpretation of an Act of the Oireachtas.

3. Application Fee

The application fee specified in the Schedule hereto shall be payable in respect of applications for practising certificates for the 2024 practice year.

Signed on behalf of the Law Society of Ireland pursuant to Section 79 of the Solicitors Act 1954.

29 November, 2023.

BARRY MACCARTHY,
President of the Law Society of Ireland.

SCHEDULE

within referred to

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(a)	Registration Fee for the 2024 practice year payable to the Society on application for a practising certificate by an applicant solicitor who has been admitted to the Roll for three years or more on 1 January 2024:	1,460
(b)	Registration Fee for the 2024 practice year payable to the Society on application for a practising certificate by an applicant solicitor who has been admitted to the Roll for less than three years on 1 January 2024:	1,190
(c)	Contribution to the Compensation Fund for the 2024 practice year payable to the Society on application for a practising certificate by an applicant solicitor:	700
(d)	Contribution to the Legal Services Regulatory Authority Levy Fund for the 2024 practice year payable to the Society on application for a practising certificate by an applicant solicitor:	430
(e)	Fee payable to the Society on each application, pursuant to Section 17 of the Solicitors (Amendment) Act 1960, for a copy of an entry on File A, File B or File C:	100
(f)	Fee payable to the Society on each application, pursuant to Regulation 11 of the 2020 Regulations, for the issue of a duplicate original practising certificate for the 2024 practice year.	50

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