

Notice by Practitioner of a 'Show Cause' Event

To: Queensland Law Society, 179 Ann Street, Brisbane Qld 4000

(Insert name of practitioner)

I,

(Insert address of practitioner)

of

Postcode

hereby give notice of the occurrence of a 'show cause' event that I have:

(a) (i) become bankrupt on *(Insert date)*

; or

(a) (ii) been served on *(Insert date)*

with notice of a creditor's petition presented to the court under the *Bankruptcy Act 1966* (Cth), s43; or

(b) (i) presented, as a debtor, a declaration on *(Insert date)*

to the Official Receiver under the *Bankruptcy Act 1966* (Cth), s54A, of an intention to present a debtor's petition; or

(b) (ii) presented, as a debtor, a petition on *(Insert date)*

under s55 of that Act; or

(c) (i) applied on *(Insert date)*

to take the benefit of any law for the relief of bankrupt or insolvent debtors; or

(c) (ii) compounded with my creditors on *(Insert date)*

; or

(c) (iii) assigned my remuneration for the benefit of my creditors on *(Insert date)*

; or

I am or have been a legal practitioner director of an incorporated legal practice:

(d) (i) while that practice is or was an externally-administered body corporate under the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth); and

(d) (ii) the practice entered external administration on: *(Insert date)*

been convicted of:

(e) (i) a serious offence on *(Insert date)*

; or

(e) (ii) a tax offence on *(Insert date)*

Details of the conviction

(It should be noted that the term 'conviction' is defined under s11 of the Legal Profession Act 2007 and includes either a finding of guilt or the acceptance of a guilty plea whether or not a conviction is recorded on sentence)

Nature of offence(s) *(set out the offence(s))*

Sentence (if applicable)

(Should there be insufficient space to complete a full response please annex particulars and mark with the letters 'AN 1'. You should also provide a copy of any relevant court documentation, eg, copy of court order etc.)

Date

Signed

Enquiries and completed form (if applicable) –

Records and Member Services, Queensland Law Society, GPO Box 1785, Brisbane Qld 4001
p 1300 367 757 | f 07 3842 5999 | records@qls.com.au | For more information visit qls.com.au | ABN 33 423 389 441

For your information

A notice under s68(1) of the *Legal Profession Act 2007* must be in accordance with the approved form and given to Queensland Law Society within seven days of the date of the event. Further, you are required within 28 days after the date of the event to provide to the Society a written statement explaining why, despite the event, you continue to be a suitable person to hold a practising certificate.

'Serious offence' is defined in Schedule 2 of the *Legal Profession Act 2007* as follows:

'serious offence means an offence whether committed in or outside this jurisdiction that is—

- (a) an indictable offence against a law of the Commonwealth or any jurisdiction, whether or not the offence is or may be dealt with summarily; or
- (b) an offence against a law of another jurisdiction that would be an indictable offence against a law of this jurisdiction if committed in this jurisdiction, whether or not the offence could be dealt with summarily if committed in this jurisdiction; or
- (c) an offence against a law of a foreign country that would be an indictable offence against a law of the Commonwealth or this jurisdiction if committed in this jurisdiction, whether or not the offence could be dealt with summarily if committed in this jurisdiction.'

'Tax Offence' means an offence under the *Taxation Administration Act 1953* (Cth), whether committed in or outside this jurisdiction.

A 'show cause event' includes a conviction for a 'serious offence' or a 'tax offence', whether or not:

- the offence was committed in or outside this jurisdiction; or
- the offence was committed while the person was engaging in legal practice as an Australian legal practitioner or was practising foreign law as an Australian-registered foreign lawyer; or
- other persons are prohibited from disclosing the identity of the offender.

Privacy

Queensland Law Society ('the Society') is authorised to collect your personal information under the *Legal Profession Act 2007*, and may use the personal information you have provided in this form for a number of purposes including:

- carrying out the Society's statutory obligations and duties
- updating and maintaining details relating to your practise of law.

The personal information you provide on this form will be given to third parties such as the Legal Services Commission as required by law.

In accordance with the *Electronic Transactions (Queensland) Act 2001*, the Society may provide notices to you by electronic communication.

By completing this notice, your consent to this form of contact is taken to be given.

The Society may also use third parties to administer and deliver services and communications to practitioners by email or mail. Some third party suppliers or their products and services are located overseas. Business details and personal information you choose to provide on this notice may be transferred to an overseas recipient and stored overseas to administer such communications to you. By completing this form, you agree to this transfer and Australian Privacy Principle 8.1 will not apply to this disclosure.

If you do not wish your details to be used for any one or more of the above purposes, you should advise the Records section of the Society, GPO Box 1785, Brisbane Qld 4001 in writing.

Further details about the Society's Privacy Statement, Plan and Code of Practice and the collection of personal information may be found on the Society's website, qls.com.au.