

# 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:

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

; or

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

under s55 of that Act; or

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

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

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

; or

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

; or

I am or have been;

(d) (i) a legal practitioner director of an incorporated legal practice that became a Chapter 5 body corporate on: *(Insert date)*

(d) (ii) a director of an corporation that became a Chapter 5 body corporate 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.

Chapter 5 body corporate is defined in Schedule 2 of the *Legal Profession Act 2007* as meaning a Chapter 5 body corporate under the Corporations Act.

'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 statement

**WE RESPECT YOUR PRIVACY.** This form asks for *personal information*. Please refer to our **Personal Information Collection Notice** for more details. The notice can be accessed **here**. If you have any questions or are unable access it online, please contact us on 1300 367 757.