Certified True Copy of Amendments to the Rules of the Law Society of Saskatchewan February 9, 2018

It was moved, seconded and carried that the *Rules* of the Law Society of Saskatchewan be amended. Please note that deletions have a "line through" for identification purposes.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS:

Amendments to Rule 159 pertain to completion of the CPLED Program; including provisions respecting re-reads, supplemental evaluations and repeating Program modules. The proposed amendments provide greater clarity within the Rules as to the requirements for completion of the program.

Bar Admission Program

- 159. (1) A Student-at-law must apply for admission to the Bar Admission Program (the "Program") at least 60 days before the commencement of the Program, by submitting:
 - (a) the application form for registration in the Program;
 - (b) the Bar Admission Program fee as set out in Schedule 1 following Part 12 of these Rules.
- (2) A Student-at-law may apply to the Executive Director to extend the deadline for application into the Program.
 - (3) To successfully complete the Program, Students-at-law must:
 - (a) demonstrate competency in all mandatory assignments and competency evaluations including supplemental assignments, competency evaluations and repeat modules, if any:
 - (b) otherwise fulfill all of the requirements of the Program pursuant to the Program Handbook; and
 - (b) comply with the policies set from time to time by the Society regarding administration of the Program.
- (4) A Student-at-law who receives a grade of "competency not yet demonstrated" on a mandatory assignment, competency evaluation, supplemental assignment, or supplemental competency evaluation may apply for a re-read in accordance with the Program Handbook.
- (5) A Student-at-law who has obtained a grade of "competency not yet demonstrated" or "incomplete" on a mandatory assignment or competency evaluation may attempt to demonstrate competency in that area by completing a supplemental assignment or competency evaluation or by repeating a module, as the case may be, subject to the limitations in rule 159.1(1).
- (6) Subject to the limitations in rule 159.1(2), a Student-at-law who has not demonstrated competency in all mandatory assignments and competency evaluations may repeat up to a maximum of three individual CPLED modules, otherwise, the Student-at-law must repeat the entire Program. Repetition of any module of the Program constitutes a second attempt at the Program.
- (47) The Executive Director may, upon application, approve a Student-at-law's absence from a face-to-face portion of the Program.
- (58) Students-at-law are expected to conduct themselves according to the standards of the profession during the Program. The Executive Director has discretion to deal with misconduct by:
 - (a) placing conditions on a Student-at-law's attendance in the Program;
 - (b) imposing academic sanctions; or
 - (c) suspending a Student-at-law from the Program.

- (69) The Student-at-law may appeal a suspension imposed by the Executive Director to a Hearing Panel, in which case a Hearing will be conducted pursuant to Rules 178-188.
- (7) Students-at-law who do not successfully complete the Program will be allowed one additional opportunity to repeat the Program.
- (810) Students-at-law are expected to commence articles prior to participating in the Program.
- (911) Any Student-at-law who has not commenced articles upon completion of 5 modules of the Program shall discontinue the Program.

Limitations

- 159.1 (1) Notwithstanding rule 159(5):
 - (a) the maximum number of supplemental attempts on mandatory assignments is one supplemental per assignment;
 - (b) the maximum number of supplemental attempts on competency evaluations is one supplemental per competency evaluation; and
 - (c) the maximum number of supplemental attempts for all competency evaluations combined is a total of three;
 - subject to any right the Student-at-law may have to repeat the Program.
- (2) A Student-at-law who has not successfully completed the Program after attempting to do so a second time:
 - (a) is deemed to have demonstrated incompetence;
 - (b) may not further repeat the Program; and
- (c) will have their registration as a Student-at-law terminated.



CERTIFIED to be a true copy of the resolutions passed by the Benchers of the Law Society of Saskatchewan at their meeting held February 9, 2018.

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