



Accredited Specialists Expression of interest

Specialist accreditation is a formal qualification offered by collaboration of the Law Institute of Victoria & The Law Society of South Australia to Society members who have over five years experience in the practice of law.

The qualification recognises the solicitor's high level of expertise and knowledge in a specific area of practice and is only attained on completion of a rigorous academic process. Accredited Specialisation gives the public and the legal profession a reliable way of identifying solicitors who possess special competencies in particular areas of practice.

Benefits

There are currently more than 750 Accredited Specialists. Solicitors attaining accreditation benefit from the following professional advantages:

- a recognised formal qualification;
- acknowledgment of a high level of practical competence;
- enhanced professional standing amongst peers and public;
- increased public profile through the LSSA online listing;
- access to specialist practice study and discussion groups; and
- LLM credit at selected universities

Assessment

Assessment is primarily undertaken through a written examination and practical components. Practical components may include a simulated court presentation, a client interview or written advice to a client.

Specialisation assessments offered in 2012

- Immigration Law

Specialisation assessments offered in 2013

- Family Law
- Tax Law

Application guidelines

If you are interested in applying for specialist accreditation, application guidelines are available from www.lawsociety.sa.asn.au. The application guidelines include detailed information on eligibility, performance standards and assessment requirements for each area of practice.

Application deadlines

Applications for Immigration Law close 9 May 2012. If you are unsure of your eligibility and wish to apply to the Specialisation Board for special consideration of your application, you will need to lodge your application by 11 April 2012.

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First Name:	Surname:
Organisation:	Position:
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Telephone:	DX (if applicable):
Postcode:	Facsimile:

Please tick the area of specialisation that you are interested in:

- Immigration Law Family Law Tax Law

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