

Intellectual Property Panel Criteria and Procedure





CRITERIA AND PROCEDURE FOR ADMISSION TO THE INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LIST

The List of Intellectual Property Dispute Resolution Professionals is established by the Institute's Council, under By-Law 10, for the purpose of providing a List of appropriate members for resolving disputes in the Intellectual Property sector. All applications shall be submitted to the Council for approval.

This list will be comprised of practitioners with significant knowledge and /or experience in intellectual property disputes.

1. **ADMISSION CRITERIA**

- 1.1 To qualify for admission to the List of Intellectual Property Dispute Resolution Professionals (the "List") the applicant shall:
 - be a current fully paid up member of AMINZ; (a)
 - be qualified as an associate or fellow; (b)
 - (c) be on the AMINZ Panels – mediation, arbitration and / or experts, as appropriate;
 - be a member in good standing 1; (d)
 - have completed a current CPD return which satisfied the continuing professional (e) development requirements at the time of completion 2;
 - have knowledge and an understanding of the various issues and Acts relating to the (f) Intellectual Property sector;
 - be a person who in the opinion of the Council having regard to (a) (f) and all other (g) relevant factors is suitably qualified for admission to the Panel.
- 1.2 There is no conditional admission to the List.
- Every application for admission to the List shall be referred to the Council for approval. The 1.3 Council is not obliged to furnish any reason for refusing to admit the applicant to the List.
- 1.4 The relevant By-law relating to these requirements is By-Law 11.
- 1.5 The applicant must specify in his / her application that s/he is applying as an arbitrator, mediator or expert.

2. **APPLICATION PROCEDURES**

- Applications must be addressed to the Executive Director of the Arbitrators' and Mediators' 2.1 Institute of New Zealand Inc.
- 2.2 The application must be accompanied by the relevant information and supporting documentation.

¹ Having no disciplinary matters affecting the current status of the member ² Refer AMINZ CPD requirements

3. SUBSCRIPTIONS PAYABLE

3.1 Members who are admitted to the List are required to pay the same subscription rate as for list members. Regardless of how many panels or lists the member is admitted to, one panel or list fee only is payable.

4. CONTINUING REQUIREMENTS

- 4.1 CPD is mandatory for List members. Failure to submit an annual CPD return and to satisfy the CPD requirements will result in the member being removed from the List.
- 4.2 List members are required to comply with the AMINZ Code of Ethics. Failure to comply with the Code may be treated as a matter of professional misconduct and may result in the member being removed from the List.

Any questions relating to this application are to be directed to the Membership Administrator

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