**APPLICATION FOR SILK**

# SOLICITOR ADVOCATES

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| Section A – Personal Details | | | | | | | | |
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| Given Names |  | | | | | | | |
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| Section B – Professional Details | | | | | | | | |
| Date qualified as solicitor advocate | | | | |  | | | |
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| Academic Qualifications | | | |
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| Areas of Special Expertise | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Administrative Law | | | Crime – first instance | | | | Family Law | | | | | | Licensing | | | Property | |
| Agricultural Law | | | Crime – appeals | | | | Housing | | | | | | Medical Negligence | | | Shipping | |
| Construction Law | | | Crofting Law | | | | Human Rights | | | | | | Pensions | | | Taxation | |
| Commercial Law | | | Defamation | | | | Immigration | | | | | | Personal Injury | | | Trusts and Succession | |
| Companies | | | Employment Law | | | | Insolvency | | | | | | Planning | | | Valuation for Rating | |
| Constitutional Law | | | European Community Law | | | | Intellectual Property | | | | | | Professional Negligence | | |  | |
| Significant Experience as a Solicitor Advocate within the Last Five Years Only (Please indicate where you acted as leader) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| UK Supreme Court | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Inner House (Substantive Civil Appeals) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Outer House | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| High Court Trials | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Criminal Appeal Court (substantive appeals) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| General | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Other relevant information in support of your application | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Referees - no more than two (references to be sent separately) (see Para 4.7 of Guide) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Referee 1 | | Name | | |  | | | | | | Designation | | |  | | | |
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| Law Society Disciplinary Matters | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Have you ever been the subject of a complaint to the Law Society that was upheld in whole or in part? If yes, please provide details below  Yes  No | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Complaint | | | | | | | | | Penalty imposed (including admonition and reprimand) | | | | | | | | |
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| Are there any complaints outstanding against you? If yes, please provide details below  Yes  No | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Criminal Proceedings | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Have you ever been convicted of any criminal offence, other than a minor road traffic offence such as parking? Please note: this DOES NOT include SPENT CONVICTIONS. Are there any criminal proceedings pending against you? If yes, please provide details below  Yes  No | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Date | | | | Offence | | | | | Court | | | | | | Penalty | | |
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| Have you ever been the subject of proceedings, or paid a penalty, or made a composition, in respect of a failure to pay, or any other default, relating to income or other tax, VAT or local authority rates, etc? Are any such proceedings pending against you or has any claim been intimated by the relevant authority? If yes, please provide details below  Yes  No | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Financial | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Have you ever been sequestrated, granted a trust deed for creditors, entered into a Debt Arrangement Scheme or suffered diligence for debt? If yes, please provide details below  Yes  No | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Professional Negligence Claim | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Have you ever had a claim intimated against you for professional negligence? If yes, was the claim pursued to a conclusion or compromised, or is it still outstanding? If pursued to a conclusion or compromised, what was the outcome of the claim?  Yes  No | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Personal | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Are you aware of any matter in your private life that could cause embarrassment to His Majesty, the Court, the Scottish Ministers, the President of the Law Society or yourself if it became known in the event of your appointment? If yes, please provide details below  Yes  No | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Self-Assessment | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| In the light of the criteria for appointment and your answers on this form, please state in no more than **1500 words** why you consider that you are suitable for appointment as King’s Counsel. Your response should contain a full assessment of your experience and capabilities against the criteria set out in paragraphs 3.2 – 3.5 of the Guide for Applicants. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| I declare that the information given is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true and complete; and I undertake to supply to the Lord Justice General such further information as he may require. | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Signature | | | | | | | Date | | | | |



**King’s Counsel Application Form**

**Equalities Monitoring Form**

Please complete this questionnaire. It will help us to monitor compliance with the non-discriminatory statement in the Guide for Applicants (Para 1.5 refers). This page will be detached from the rest of the form and the information in it will play no part in the decision whether you should be appointed or not.

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| Please cross if you have disability: | | |  | | | | | | |
| I would describe my ethnic origin as (please tick the one with which you most identify): | | | | | | | | | |
| **White** | | | | | | | | | |
| Scottish | | British | | | Irish | | | | |
| Other (please specify) | |  | | |  | | | | |
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| **Mixed** | | | | | | | | | |
| White & Black Caribbean | | White & Black African | | | White & Asian | | | | |
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| **Asian or Asian British** | | | | | | | | | |
| Indian | | Pakistani | | | Bangladeshi | | | | |
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| **Black or Black British** | | | | | | | | | |
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| **Chinese or Chinese British** | | | | | | | | | |
| Chinese | | Other (please specify) | | |  | | | | |
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| **Another other ethnic background** | | | | | | | | | |
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