## IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE REPUBLIC OF SINGAPORE

## PRACTICE DIRECTION NO. 1 OF 2000

## ELECTRONIC FILING OF PRACTISING CERTIFICATE APPLICATIONS

Under the existing manual system of applying for practising certificates, much time and manpower is spent on completing and processing paper application forms. In order to save time and manpower in this respect as well as to expedite the processing of practising certificate applications, the Supreme Court will be implementing the Practising Certificate Electronic Filing System ("PC E-Filing System") with effect from Wednesday, 1 March 2000, to allow such applications to be filed electronically. The use of the System will be on a purely voluntary basis. This System will be available for practising certificate applications in respect of the practice year ending 31 March 2001 and practice years thereafter.

- 2. This practice direction is accordingly issued by the Registrar pursuant to Rule 4 of the Legal Profession (Practising Certificate) Rules under the direction of the Honourable the Chief Justice to effect the implementation of the PC E-filing System.
- 3. This practice direction will come into effect on 24 January 2000.
- 4. This practice direction should be included in *The Supreme Court Practice Directions (1997 Ed.)* immediately before the first page of the table of contents. Instructions for effecting the amendments to *The Supreme Court Practice Directions (1997 Ed.)* are contained in the Appendix hereto.

Dated this 20<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2000.

CHIAM BOON KENG REGISTRAR SUPREME COURT