



## **NOTIFICATION OF A SCHEME**

*Professional Standards Act 1997 (WA)*

Notification is hereby given pursuant to Section 21 of the *Professional Standards Act 1997* (WA) of a Scheme prepared by the Western Australian Bar Association (WABA).

The Scheme will apply to members of WABA who are based in and practise as independent barristers primarily in Western Australia.

The Scheme:

- limits the occupational liability of members of WABA to whom the Scheme applies to \$2,000,000;
- provides for a member to apply for a higher maximum amount of liability than would otherwise apply under the Scheme;
- provides for a member to apply for an exemption from the Scheme; and
- requires that members to whom the Scheme applies have insurance for occupational liability of an amount not less than the amount of their limited liability.

Note that the discretion to approve a higher amount of liability, or an exemption from the Scheme, is with WABA. WABA requires that the members to whom the scheme applies comply with relevant risk management strategies.

The Scheme may commence on a day after the date of the publication in the Government Gazette when approved. The Scheme is intended to remain in force for five years, from its date of commencement, in Western Australia, South Australia, Victoria, New South Wales, the Australian Capital Territory, Queensland, and the Northern Territory.

Copies of the Scheme and a summary of its operation may be obtained from, or inspected at, the office or website of the Professional Standards Councils.

Before approving the Scheme, the Professional Standards Council of Western Australia hereby invites comments and submissions, made in writing, to be received by the Executive Officer, Office of the Professional Standards Councils within 28 days after the publication of this notice.

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Comments and submissions received will be public, unless confidentiality is specifically requested, and will be subject to the *Freedom of Information Act 1992* (WA).

**Professional Standards Council of Western Australia**