



NOTIFICATION OF SCHEME
(*Professional Standards Act 2003 (Vic)*)

Notification is hereby given pursuant to Section 9 of the *Professional Standards Act 2003 (Vic)* of a Professional Standards Scheme prepared by the Victorian Bar Inc ("Vic Bar") of Level 5, 205 William St, Melbourne, Victoria.

The Scheme:

1. Applies to all members of the Vic Bar ('participants') with a current Practising Certificate issued by the Victorian Legal Services Board or the Vic Bar and who have been admitted to membership of the Scheme by the Vic Bar, unless exempted.
2. Limits the occupational liability of participants to \$2 million.
3. Provides that the Vic Bar may specify a higher maximum amount of liability on application by a participant.
4. Requires the participants to have insurance for occupational liability of an amount not less than the amount of their limited liability.
5. Will apply in Victoria as well as New South Wales, Queensland, South Australia, Western Australia, the Australian Capital Territory and the Northern Territory by mutual recognition.

The Vic Bar requires the participants to comply with relevant risk management strategies, scheme disclosure requirements and other quality assurance arrangements.

The Scheme when approved may commence on 1 July 2014. The Scheme may remain in force for a period of up to 5 years.

A copy of the scheme may be obtained from or inspected at the office or website of the Professional Standards Council.

Before approving the scheme, the Council hereby invites comments and submissions to be made in writing to be received by the Executive Officer, Professional Standards Council 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 1982 (Vic)*.

Professional Standards Council