

Family Law Arbitration List Criteria and Procedure



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CRITERIA AND PROCEDURE FOR ADMISSION TO THE FAMILY LAW ARBITRATION LIST

The Family Law Arbitration List is established by the Institute's Council, under By-Law 10, for the purpose of providing a list of senior members for arbitrating family law disputes.

All applications will be submitted to the Council for approval.

1 ADMISSION CRITERIA

1.1 To qualify for admission to the Family Law Arbitration List (the "List") the applicant must :

- (a) be a current fully paid up member of AMINZ;
- (b) be an Associate or Fellow;
- (d) have completed a current CPD return which satisfied the continuing professional development requirements at the time of completion¹;
- (e) have comprehensive knowledge and understanding of the Arbitration Act 1996, Property (Relationships) Act 1976 and amendments and other relevant laws and regulations;
- (f) have knowledge of the AMINZ Arbitration Protocol and the Code of Ethics;

1.2 Criteria to be considered may include:

- (a) The applicant's experience in representing parties, or resolving disputes, in the family jurisdiction;
- (b) Relevant judicial, or experience as an arbitrator or determiner;
- (c) Other factors the Council considers relevant in determining whether the applicant is suitably qualified for admission to the List.

1.3 There is no qualified acceptance to the List.

2 APPLICATION PROCEDURES

2.1 Applications must be completed in the prescribed form (MFL) and submitted to the Executive Director of the Arbitrators' and Mediators' Institute of New Zealand Inc.

2.2 Applications must be accompanied by the required relevant information and supporting documentation.

2.3 Every application for admission to the List will be referred to the Council for approval.

2.4 The Council is not obliged to furnish any reason for refusing to admit the applicant to the List.

3 SUBSCRIPTIONS PAYABLE

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

4 CONTINUING REQUIREMENTS

¹ Refer AMINZ CPD requirements

- 4.1 Continuing Professional Development is mandatory for List members. Failure to submit an annual CPD return and to satisfy the CPD requirements may result in the member being removed from the List.
- 4.2 Failure to pay the annual List subscription may result in the member being removed from the List and removed from the membership register.

Any questions relating to this application are to be directed to the Membership Officer.