



The New South Wales Bar Association

PRACTISING CERTIFICATE RENEWALS 2008-09 **RENEWALS UPDATE # 1**

14 May 2008

All New South Wales barristers' practising certificates expire on 30 June 2008. Therefore, a new practising certificate has to have been ISSUED before a barrister may practise from 1 July 2008.

All barristers will be aware that it is an offence under the *Legal Profession Act 2004* to practise without a current practising certificate. 'Practise' includes advice work, chambers work, conferences and the like, as well as appearing in court.

All practising certificate renewal forms were sent out on or before 14 May 2008. If you have not received your form by Monday 19 May, or have any questions regarding its completion, please contact the Certification Officer Barrie Anthony on 9232 4055, or e-mail certification@nswbar.asn.au.

**ALL PRACTISING CERTIFICATE RENEWAL DOCUMENTATION AND
PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE ASSOCIATION BY
7 JUNE 2008 OTHERWISE A LATE FEE APPLIES.**

PROFESSIONAL INDEMNITY INSURANCE

The Attorney General has approved four professional indemnity policies pursuant to s403 of the *Legal Profession Act 2004*. The policies are being offered by Aon, Marsh Pty Ltd, Suncorp Metway and Willis.

Copies of the approved policies and the contact details for the brokers/insurers have been posted on the Association's website (www.nswbar.asn.au) and are also available at the Association's Reception desk. Please note that there are differences between the policy wordings offered by each of the brokers/insurers; the excesses also vary. A table comparing the approved policies has been prepared and is posted on the Association's website.

It is the responsibility of each barrister to satisfy himself or herself as to the content of the policies on offer, the terms and conditions, and the premium applicable to them.

All inquiries about the policies, including premium information, should be addressed direct to the brokers/insurers. The Bar Association is unable to provide any advice as to the merits of the policies or an individual's premium.

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