



THE LAW SOCIETY  
OF NEW SOUTH WALES

Legal Profession Act 2004

**MULTI-DISCIPLINARY PARTNERSHIP**

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO START PRACTICE IN A MULTI-DISCIPLINARY PARTNERSHIP s167

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**MULTI-DISCIPLINARY PARTNERSHIP ('MDP'):** Subject to the exceptions contained in section 165 of the Legal Profession Act 2004, a multi-disciplinary partnership is a partnership between one or more Australian legal practitioners and one or more other persons who are not Australian legal practitioners, where the business of the partnership includes the provision of legal services in this jurisdiction as well as other services.

A legal practitioner partner must, before starting to provide legal services in this jurisdiction, as a member of a multi-disciplinary partnership ('MDP'), give the Law Society written notice, in this form, of his or her intention to do so. (s.167 Legal Profession Act 2004).

**NAME OF MULTI-DISCIPLINARY PARTNERSHIP**

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**REGISTERED BUSINESS NAME/S**

*(if any)*

*(Business Names Act 2002)*

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**DATE from which the legal practitioner partner intends to commence providing legal services in NSW as a member of the MDP**

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**STREET ADDRESS OF THE MDP**

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**POSTAL ADDRESS**

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**DX NO & LOCATION**

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**BUSINESS PHONE NO**

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**MOBILE PHONE NO**

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**FAX NO**

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**E-MAIL ADDRESS**

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**WEB SITE**

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## **STRUCTURE OF MULTI-DISCIPLINARY PARTNERSHIP**

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### **FULL NAMES OF LEGAL PRACTITIONER PARTNERS**

*'A legal practitioner partner means 'a partner of a multi-disciplinary partnership who is an Australian legal practitioner holding an **unrestricted practising certificate**'.*

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### **FULL NAMES AND OCCUPATION OF PARTNERS NOT BEING LEGAL PRACTITIONER PARTNERS**

FULL NAME

OCCUPATION

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### **FULL NAMES OF AUSTRALIAN LEGAL PRACTITIONERS EMPLOYED BY THE MULTI-DISCIPLINARY PARTNERSHIP**

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**Will this multi-disciplinary partnership take over the business of an existing law practice?**

**Yes**

**No**

If "Yes", please furnish details of the existing law practice:

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**LEGAL PRACTITIONERS FIDELITY FUND CONTRIBUTION**

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A multi-disciplinary partnership may be required to make payments to or on account of the legal Practitioners Fidelity Fund: *Legal Profession Act s474*.

**UNDERTAKING**

As a legal practitioner partner of the above multi-disciplinary partnership intended to be conducted , I hereby undertake to the Law Society to pay, within 28 days of notification of the amount, such contribution in respect of the multi-disciplinary partnership to the Legal Practitioners Fidelity Fund as may be determined in accordance with the provisions of the Legal Profession Act 2004.

Dated this ..... day of ..... 200

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Legal Practitioner Partner

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Legal Practitioner Partner

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Legal Practitioner Partner

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Legal Practitioner Partner

**All Legal Practitioner Partners of the Multi-Disciplinary Partnership need to sign this Undertaking.**

**SIGNATURE**

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This form must be signed by each of the LEGAL PRACTITIONER PARTNERS referred to in this form.

I / we

.....(Name) Legal Practitioner Partner

..... (Name) Legal Practitioner Partner

.....(Name) Legal Practitioner Partner

**certify that the information in this form is true and complete.**

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**Signature**

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**Date signed**

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**Signature**

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**Date Signed**

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**Signature**

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**Date signed**

## INFORMATION

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The legislation in relation to multi-disciplinary partnerships is found at Division 3 Legal Profession Act 2004 (refer to [www.legislation.nsw.gov.au](http://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au)) as follows:

### Division 3 Multi-Disciplinary Partnership

- 165 Nature of multi-disciplinary partnership
- 166 Conduct of multi-disciplinary partnerships
- 167 Notice of intention to start practice in multi-disciplinary partnership
- 168 General obligations of legal practitioner partners
- 169 Obligations of legal practitioner partner relating to misconduct
- 170 Actions of partner who is not an Australian legal practitioner
- 171 Obligations and privileges of practitioners who are partners or employees
- 172 Conflicts of interest
- 173 Disclosure obligations
- 174 Effect of non-disclosure of provision of certain services
- 176 Requirements relating to advertising
- 177 Sharing of receipts, revenue or other income
- 178 Disqualified persons
- 179 Prohibition on partnerships with certain partners who are not Australian legal practitioners
- 180 Undue influence

### THIS FORM IS TO BE RETURNED TO:

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**Attention: The Registry  
The Law Society of New South Wales  
170 Phillip Street Sydney NSW 2000  
DX 362 SYDNEY  
Fax: (02) 9231 5809  
Email: [registry@lawsociety.com.au](mailto:registry@lawsociety.com.au)**

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