

QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY BELFAST INSTITUTE OF PROFESSIONAL LEGAL STUDIES (IPLS)

Guidance on Completing the On-line Application Form

We hope that you will find the on-line application form straightforward and easy to complete.

This short note may be of assistance when completing the form. It should be read in conjunction with the Information Booklet for Applicants. If you have any queries regarding this or the application form, please contact IPLS and we will be glad to assist you.

Course Options - Stage 1

You will be asked in the application form to indicate your preference in terms of the two available courses at IPLS, the Solicitor course and the Bar course. You may apply for one course only or for both. The form gives you four options:

Solicitor

Barrister

Solicitor/Barrister

Barrister/Solicitor

If applying for both courses, you must select the option on the form which reflects your preference. In other words if you want to apply for the Barrister course first and the Solicitor course is your second option, you should select "Barrister/Solicitor".

Disability - Stage 4

You will be asked to indicate if you have a disability which in your view may require special arrangements to be made for you when you sit the Admissions Test. If you state that you have such a disability, please provide relevant medical and/or other evidence to IPLS as soon as possible and no later than Monday, 16th November 2020.

References – Stage 8

You will be asked for three references. Two of these must be academic and one personal. The academic referees should be able to comment on your undergraduate studies. IPLS will write to the first academic referee named on your application. If there is difficulty in obtaining this reference IPLS will write to the second academic referee named. The non-academic referee should have known you for over one year and must not be a relative.

Payment

When you have submitted your application form, you must proceed to select Payment Processing in order to pay the fee for the Admissions Test. Payment will be on-line only. There is an early application fee of £230 which is available from the opening of the application process, midday on Monday, 7th September 2020, until midday on Monday, 12th October 2020. After that, the full fee of £320 is payable up to the closing date of the application process which is midday on Monday, 16th November 2020. It is important to emphasise that the early fee will only be available if the payment is made before midday on Monday, 12th October 2020.

Equal Opportunities Monitoring Form

When you have submitted your on-line application form and made the on-line payment, we would ask that you download the Equal Opportunities Monitoring form from the IPLS Admissions page, complete it and return it to IPLS in the post.