

# Directory of Regulators of the Legal Profession

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#### Introduction

The IBA Bar Issues Commission has produced this global directory of regulators of lawyers as a resource for practising lawyers and Bar Associations. The directory identifies the bodies who are responsible in each jurisdiction for the regulation of lawyers at various key stages, from qualification/entry to the profession, through ethics and conduct rules to disciplinary matters. The directory also gives some basic details on the governing legislation in those jurisdictions where there is a statutory basis for the profession and provides links to the relevant legislation where possible.

We are grateful to a large number of Bar Associations and individual IBA members who helped to verify the information contained in this directory. The companion, searchable directory on the IBA's Website lists all of those who assisted us in producing this resource.

In some instances the information given in the directory is based on desk research and has not been officially verified by the jurisdiction concerned. Where this is the case, this is made clear. If you are able to assist with the confirmation or correction of any of the listings that have not yet been verified, this would be greatly appreciated. Similarly, if you are able to provide information about a jurisdiction that has not yet been covered, or if you have an update on one of the jurisdictions listed below, please get in touch with Becca Verhagen at the IBA's London Office (Becca.Verhagen@int-bar.org).

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# Which countries does the Directory cover?

The objective of this project was to create a directory/mapping of how legal regulation is conducted around the world.

The directory aims to cover the widest range of countries possible and the 163 countries of the WTO were selected as the starting point. However, where the opportunity arose during the compilation of the directory to add additional countries (e.g. Sudan) or sub-national jurisdictions with special status (e.g. Guam and US Virgin Islands), regulatory information on these jurisdictions was incorporated.

A number of countries are not covered in this version and these mostly fall into one of the following categories:

- Countries that are in the process of negotiating WTO membership. This group includes: Algeria, Bosnia, Ethiopia, Iran, Iraq, Lebanon and Libya, amongst others. Afghanistan, Kazakhstan and Liberia have joined the WTO during the process of constructing this directory.
- Relatively new states, post-conflict states, or states that have recently reengaged internationally which have yet to apply for WTO membership formally: Somalia, Eritrea, South Sudan, East Timor.
- States not engaged with the international community: North Korea.
- Small island states: Most South Pacific Islands (Micronesia, Kiribati, Marshall Islands, Tuvalu, Nauru and Palau), Comoros and some Caribbean states.
- States of disputed status which nonetheless have existing and separate legal systems: Kosovo and Palestine.

There are also some dependent territories and smaller jurisdictions which come under the sovereignty of countries included in directory that have not been covered (e.g. Channel Islands, Cayman Islands, Gibraltar) and the smaller emirates of the UAE (Sharjah, Ajman, Fujairah, Ras al-Khaimah, and Umm al-Qaiwain).

# What issues does the Directory Cover?

The directory contains the following information:

- The key 'lawyer' titles in each country/jurisdiction
- An indication of the existence of separate jurisdictions in each country covered
- An indication of the organisations responsible in each jurisdiction for the three key stages of the lawyer 'life-cycle: Admission, ongoing registration/conduct and discipline/exit.
- Contact details and links to the websites of each regulator, where possible.
- An indication of any other bodies (e.g. complaints ombudsmen etc) involved in the regulation of lawyers in each jurisdiction covered.
- Information about legislation governing the regulation of lawyers and legal services, or on the constitution and functioning of a bar association or its equivalent.

# How was the information contained in the Directory obtained?

The basic starting point for the directory was desk research to find national legislation on legal services regulation and information about its application in practice. This drew particularly on resources such as:

- Links from regional and national legal information institutes (e.g. SAFLII, BAILII, CANLII and other World Law Library resources)
- National parliamentary databases and national gazettes
- The US Library of Congress

This was supplemented with information from national courts, especially where no legislation exists, and from the bars and other regulatory bodies themselves.

The data which was collected through desk research was then verified. This verification process took the following approach:

- Where possible, verification was sought from the regulators themselves. This happened in 18% of cases.
- If this was not possible, the help of the organised bar was sought, even if their role was largely representative rather than regulatory. This was the case in 41% of cases.
- If no response could be obtained from regulators or organised bars, assistance was sought from local IBA member firms or individual IBA members, from the respective jurisdiction. This happened in 20% of the directory's jurisdictions.
- Finally, in jurisdictions which had no IBA member organisation or individual IBA member, verification was sought from local lawyers who were recommended by foreign embassies or who had contributed to the World Bank Doing Business Survey, and therefore illustrated their willingness to provide the kind of information being sought, this verification approach was used in 21% of cases.

Over two-thirds of the directory was verified by the time of publication.

# What does the Directory tell us?

In total, the directory contains:

- A mapping of responsibilities for key stages of legal services regulation in 158 countries and 233 jurisdictions, which has been verified as a current and accurate picture in 67% of cases.
- Links to primary legislation on legal services regulation in 143 jurisdictions, where possible made available in English.

Overall, the directory covers 83% of UN member states, 98% of WTO members, 97% of the world's GDP<sup>1</sup> and 93% of the world's population<sup>2</sup>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> <u>GDP and its breakdown at current prices in US Dollars"</u>. United Nations Statistics Division. December 2014. Retrieved 10 June 2015.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Source: UN World Population Prospects 2012 United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs, Population Division, Population Estimates and Projections Section. 13 June 2013

#### Who regulates?

The model of lawyer regulation is set out in legislation in 63% of jurisdictions. Although there are many differences in the way in which regulation of lawyers is carried out in practice in different jurisdictions around the world, there are perhaps five distinct models which are observable:

- Largely court regulated professions: In this model, the Court, usually the Supreme Court of the jurisdiction, is the main body responsible for lawyer registration and overseeing discipline. Such a model includes both exclusive Court jurisdiction (which usually implies the limitation of any lawyer monopoly of practice rights to representation in court), and possibly some form of prior Bar approval for registration, or investigation and prosecution for disciplinary action. Court regulated legal professions are most commonly found in South America and the Caribbean, and some states of the US which have not adopted the delegated model (see below).
- The exclusively bar regulated professions: In this model, the 'Bar' is responsible for every stage of lawyer regulation and, in most cases, will also act as the main representative body for the profession. Where the power to regulate resides exclusively with the Bar, this is universally enshrined in legislation, which may also require particular internal governance arrangements (e.g. the establishment of a disciplinary board). One feature of this model is that it is not uncommon for regulatory responsibilities to be held primarily at a local, district court level, even where a national legislative framework is in place. This model is most prevalent in Europe as well as Francophone and Lusophone Africa.
- The predominantly or exclusively government regulated professions: In this model, it is the government which makes the key decisions relating to entry into and exit from the profession. A bar, where it exists, may play a role in promulgating the code of conduct and supporting lawyers in day to day practice but it is the government which calls the shots. This model is most commonly found in the Gulf (e.g. Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Oman and the UAE), and in some countries of Central and East Asia (e.g. Tajikistan, Kyrgyzstan, Taiwan, People's Republic of China and Vietnam). In some others (e.g. Laos and Yemen) there is some form of a Bar or lawyers' organisation which may play a nominal role in regulation, but is in practice an emanation of, or effectively under the control of the State.
- Legal professions predominantly regulated by independent or delegated authorities: In this model, separate regulatory organisations are usually set up under the auspices of the ultimate statutory or constitutional authority responsible for lawyer regulation (eg, England and Wales, a number of US states, Canada, and parts of Australia). The distinguishing feature of such authorities is usually their exclusive regulatory competence, separated from any representative interests of the practising profession. In many states in the United States for example, the ultimate authority is the State Supreme Court but day to day regulatory authority has been delegated to professional regulators and it is therefore worth distinguishing this from the model of court regulation which is largely about the maintenance of the registration list. In Canada, regulation is carried out by independent provincial and territorial law societies mandated by statute to regulate in the public interest.
- Legal professions predominantly regulated on a mixed or shared basis by
  representatives of different organisations. Characteristically, a 'General Legal Council', or
  similar, is established to oversee the key stages of lawyer regulation and will involve some
  combination of the Attorney General, possibly Ministry of Justice, judiciary, bar association
  representatives and separately elected members of the profession. This model is most likely
  to be found in parts of West Africa, such as the Gambia and Ghana and in parts of the
  Caribbean, like Belize and Jamaica.

There are, naturally, jurisdictions whose regulation is hard to categorise according to the above typology and to some extent value judgments have been made in allocating jurisdictions to any

particular category. This is why the word 'predominantly' has been used in defining the above categories and in producing the illustration shown in the infographic provided at annex 1.

It becomes easier to place jurisdictions into the above categories once the different regulatory functions are broken down into different stages, since the same regulator is responsible for the entire lawyer life cycle in only 52% of the jurisdictions examined. In 48% of cases, different bodies are responsible for the different stages of regulation<sup>3</sup>.

It is also important to point out that what is actually implied by the same regulatory model could vary significantly in practice from one jurisdiction to another. Local bar regulation means a very different thing in the Netherlands, for example, compared to India or Russia. This is partly due to the regulatory activities undertaken by any individual regulator but is also related to the extent of any lawyer monopoly, which in turn determines whether 'lawyer regulation' and 'legal services regulation' are synonymous.

#### Who admits lawyers to practise?

The table below shows responsibility for lawyer admission and illustrates national or local Bars are collectively the most significant admitting authority but still account for less than half of all regulators of admission. The court would also be second most important admitting authority, given its importance to lawyer regulation in the United States, were this task not delegated in many US States to State Boards of Bar Examiners, who are here classified as 'independent or delegated authorities'. The distinction between those States in which the admitting authority has been counted as a court and those in which it has been counted as independent, depends on the degree of separation. Those States which have Boards of Examiners with their own governance arrangements and websites have been distinguished from States in which admission is handled by a committee of department within the Court itself.

**Table 1: Regulators of Admission** 

Predominant regulator of admission	Number	Percentage
Court Admission	27	12%
National Bar Admission	71	32%
Local Bar Admission	22	10%
Government Regulated Admission	16	7%
Independent or Delegated Regulatory Authority	58	26%
Mixed or shared responsibility	29	13%
Total	223	100%

Government departments play a role in lawyer admission in Iceland and Denmark even though these are otherwise predominantly Bar led regulatory environments. Elsewhere government involvement is limited to countries in which regulation is entirely government dominated.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Organisations have been treated as separate here despite the fact that they might have been set up under the auspices of the same ultimate authority e.g. in the US, a number of States have a Board of Bar Examiners and a State Disciplinary Commission which are both responsible to the Supreme Court, however these are treated as separate entities where they have separate governance arrangements. In countries where the Bar has an admissions board and a separate disciplinary board these have been treated as the same organisation as they operate under the same overall governance arrangements.

#### Who regulates lawyers in practise?

Once admitted, lawyers are then predominantly 'regulated' in practice by Bar associations. Regulation in practice is defined here as the promulgation and monitoring against a code of conduct but may also include the renewal of practising certificates, the imposition and monitoring of continuous education or training requirements and professional indemnity insurance, and any oversight of anti-money laundering requirements imposed on lawyers. In many jurisdictions, however, there is little active monitoring of the legal profession post-admission.

**Table 2: Regulators of Practice** 

Predominant regulator of practice	Number	Percentage
Court	42	19%
National Bar	114	52%
Local Bar	17	8%
Government	14	6%
Independent or Delegated Regulatory Authority	24	11%
Mixed or shared responsibility	8	4%
Total	219	100%

#### Who disciplines lawyers?

Table 3 shows the predominant disciplinary authority for handling of complaints about lawyer discipline at first instance. Although the courts are not often the first port of call for lawyer discipline, in many jurisdictions they are involved at some stage of the process but this is not shown in the table below.

**Table 3: Lawyer Disciplinary Authorities** 

Predominant disciplinary authority	Number	Percentage
Court	27	12%
National Bar	100	46%
Local Bar	16	7%
Government	13	6%
Independent or Delegated Regulatory Authority	51	24%
Mixed or shared responsibility	9	4%
Total	217	

Although Bars (national and local) are responsible for discipline in the majority of jurisdictions covered, there are a significant number of independent authorities who are also involved.

# Are there any evident trends in regulation?

There are a number of interesting trends which appear from the evidence collected:

- Lawyer legislation is being reviewed and updated at a quickening pace. 27% of all of the
  jurisdictions with legislation in force to govern legal practice have revised or introduced new
  legislation in the past five years.
- However 47% of jurisdictions have legislation in force that predates the millennium and 3% have pre-1950 legislation. Around a quarter of those with pre-2000 legislation still in force are African jurisdictions and the majority are developing or emerging jurisdictions.



There have been a number of themes in the new legislation that has been introduced:

- A shift towards national systems of regulation away from decentralised local regulation (e.g. Netherlands, South Africa)
- A shift towards greater harmonisation in federal systems (e.g. Canada and Australia).
- A shift to greater openness to foreign lawyers (e.g. Malaysia, Israel, Republic of Korea).
- A shift away from exclusive professional body oversight of the complaints and disciplinary system and the introduction of complaints commissioners or separate disciplinary agencies (e.g. Ireland, Northern Ireland, Queensland, Victoria and New South Wales in Australia).
- This accompanies another theme in lawyer regulation which is towards the greater isolation of regulation from professional representation. Where this is being done it tends either to take the form of ringfenced regulatory arrangements under the auspices of the Bar or Law Society

(e.g. Netherlands) but there are examples of jurisdictions in which there has been a conscious separation of regulatory and representational responsibilities into different legal entities (e.g. Denmark, Canada).

- Where the profession was split between barristers and solicitors (e.g. former British colonies) or into multiple professions (e.g. France) it has increasingly been fused.
- On the other hand some jurisdictions have introduced new 'stepping stone' professions e.g. Romania, Poland, Washington State or are regulating paralegals alongside lawyers (e.g. Ontario, Scotland)
- There has been a move towards national legislation removing limitations on practice by lawyers from elsewhere in the country in different court districts (e.g. Greece). There are now few places where separate, non-federal jurisdictions have barriers to practise imposed at a sub-national level (i.e prevent lawyers from the same country to practise outside their local jurisdiction). Nonetheless echoes of these restrictions still remain in the treatment for example of law firms, which are stymied by rules that assume a lawyer can only have one practising address
- A trend towards the professionalization of lawyer regulation with the creation of more specialist agencies (e.g. the Legal Services Regulation Authority in Singapore).

On the other hand, there is little evidence that lawyer regulation is shifting from its traditional focus on individual practitioners and their conduct. Although some jurisdictions are paying more attention to the vehicles through which lawyers work (e.g. England and Wales and Singapore), so-called "entity regulation" is still highly unusual and legal services market regulation 4 even rarer. In Canada, however, greater attention is being paid to this regulatory approach. In Nova Scotia, "entity regulation" is being implemented and it is being studied in a number of other Canadian provinces.

Moreover, although there also has been some consolidation in regulators, the number of separate bodies involved in lawyer regulation remains very high in some jurisdictions, with tens and sometimes hundreds of local bars engaged in monitoring lawyer conduct and issuing practising certificates. Overall, nearly 1200 separate bodies are involved in the regulation of lawyers in the 232 jurisdictions reviewed. This staggering number raises important questions about capacity, particularly in the light of the growing number of functions which lawyer regulators are being called on to perform, as well as consistency of approach.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Market regulation means a focus on supply and demand and hence levels of competition within the defined market

#### **ALBANIA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Albania
Lawyer Title(s)	Avokat
Regulator(s) of Admission	Albanian National Chamber of Advocacy (Dhoma Kombetare e Avokatis-DHKA); The National Chamber of Advocacy and the Ministry of Justice shall keep a register of all the lawyers and administer the respective documentation that is related to the right to exercise the profession of the lawyer.
Contact/URL	http://www.dhka.org.al/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Albanian National Chamber of Advocacy and Ministry of Justice
Contact/URL	http://www.drejtesia.gov.al/
Disciplinary Authorities	Complaints Commissioner and Disciplinary Committee at National Chamber of Advocacy
Contact/URL	http://www.dhka.org.al/
Other Bodies	Ministry of Justice
Contact/URL	http://www.drejtesia.gov.al/
Primary Legislative Source	Law No 9101, dated 17 July 2003 "On profession of lawyer in the Republic of Albania" as amended by Law No. 9795 (2007) Law No. 10047 (2008) and Law no 91/2012.
URL	http://www.euralius.eu/en/library/albanian-legislation/send/22-legal-profession/87-law-on-legal-profession-en

#### **ANGOLA\***

Legal Jurisdiction	Angola
Lawyer Title(s)	Advogado/a
Regulator(s) of Admission	Ordem dos Advogados
Contact/URL	http://www.oaang.org/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Ordem dos Advogados
Contact/URL	http://www.oaang.org/
Disciplinary Authorities	Ordem dos Advogados
Contact/URL	http://www.oaang.org/
Primary Legislative Source	Law No. 1/95 of 6 January 1995

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

# **ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA\***

Legal Jurisdiction	Antigua and Barbuda
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney-at-law
Regulator(s) of Admission	Registrar of the Supreme Court of the Judicature of Antigua and Barbuda, the Attorney General of Antigua and Barbuda and the Antigua and Barbuda Bar Association
Contact/URL	hctanu@candw.ag
Regulator(s) of Practice	Antigua and Barbuda Bar Association
Contact/URL	www.oecsbar.org
Disciplinary Authorities	Disciplinary committee of the Antigua and Barbuda Bar Association and the Supreme Court of the Judicature of Antigua and the OECS Bar
Contact/URL	http://www.oecsbar.org/index.php/en/
Other Bodies	Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.eccourts.org/
Primary Legislative Source	Legal Profession Act 2008
URL	http://laws.gov.ag/acts/2008/a2008-22.pdf

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

#### **ARGENTINA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Argentina
Lawyer Title(s)	Abogado/a
Regulator(s) of Admission	Lawyers are admitted by their local provincial Colegio (Bar Association). In some jurisdictions e.g. Province of Buenos Aires there are several Bar Associations since the province is divided by the law in different departments, however they are allowed to practice in the whole province. In the City of Buenos Aires the admission is carried out by the Bar Association which is the "Colegio Público de la Capital Federal" created by Law No. 23,187 (the "CPACF"). There are 82 Bar Associations in Argentina - for full list see the Federacion Argentina de Colegios de Abogados (Federation of Bars of Argentina)
Contact/URL	http://www.faca.org.ar/ http://www.cpacf.org
Regulator(s) of Practice	In the City of Buenos Aires it is carried out by the CPACF. It applies its own Code of Ethics issued by its legislative body "Asamblea de Delegados" on April 15th, 1987. It also applies Law 23,187 which also contains rules regarding legal practice, and Internal Rules ("Reglamento Interno") issued by the legislative body of the CPACF "Asamblea de Delegados" on December 16th, 1986
Contact/URL	http://www.cpacf.org
Disciplinary Authorities	Each Bar Association is responsible for disciplining its own lawyers. Within the CPACF it exist a Disciplinary Court ("Tribunal de Disciplina").
Contact/URL	http://www.cpacf.org/inst_td.php
Primary Legislative Source	Law No. 23,187. Code of Ethics issued by the legislative body of the CPACF "Asamblea de Delegados" on April 15th, 1987. Internal Rules ("Reglamento Interno") issued by the legislative body of the CPACF "Asamblea de Delegados" on December 16th, 1986.
URL	http://www.cpacf.org/inst_ley_23187.php http://www.cpacf.org/inst_codigo_etica.php http://www.cpacf.org/inst_reg_int.php

#### **ARMENIA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Armenia
Lawyer Title(s)	Advocate
Regulator(s) of Admission	The Qualification Commission of the Chamber of Advocates ("Pastabanneri Palat").
Contact/URL	http://www.advocates.am/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Chamber of Advocates ("Pastabanneri Palat").
Contact/URL	http://www.advocates.am/
Disciplinary Authorities	The Board of the Chamber of Advocates ("Pastabanneri Palat Xorhurd")
Contact/URL	http://www.advocates.am/
Primary Legislative Source	The Law "On Advocacy" (2004)
URL	http://www.advocates.am/en/%D5%AB%D6%80%D5%A1%D5%BE%D5%A1%D5%AF%D5%A1%D5%B6- %D5%A1%D5%AF%D5%BF%D5%A5%D6%80/%D5%BA%D5%A1%D5%AC%D5%A1%D5%BF%D5%AB- %D5%AB%D6%80%D5%A1%D5%BE%D5%A1%D5%AF%D5%A1%D5%BE%D5%A1%D5%AF%D5%A1%D5%BF%D5%A5%D6%80.html

# **AUSTRALIA – AUSTRALIA CAPITAL TERRITORY**

Legal Jurisdiction	Australian Capital Territory
Lawyer Title(s)	Lawyer, legal practitioner, barrister or counsel, solicitor or attorney, Queens Counsel or Senior Counsel
Regulator(s) of Admission	Legal Practitioners Admission Board of the Supreme Court of the Australian Capital Territory
Contact/URL	supreme.court@act.gov.au
Regulator(s) of Practice	Australian Capital Territory Law Society makes rules governing solicitors and issues practising certificates and the ACT Bar Association does so for barristers.
Contact/URL	https://www.actlawsociety.asn.au/ https://www.actbar.com.au
Disciplinary Authorities	The Law Society or the Bar Association investigates complaints about their professionals respectively. The Law Society or the Bar Association may impose sanctions to deal with a complaint summarily for unsatisfactory professional conduct (but not professional misconduct). Unsatisfactory professional conduct complaints may be referred (and professional misconduct complaints must be referred) by the Law Society or Bar Association to the ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal (ACAT) to make disciplinary, compensation and other orders. An order from the ACAT recommending removal from the roll is referred to the Supreme Court.
Contact/URL	http://www.lawsociety.com.au http://www.actbar.com.au
Other Bodies	Attorney General of Australian Capital Territory
Contact/URL	http://www.lawsociety.com.au http://www.actbar.com.au
Primary Legislative Source	Legal Profession Act 2006 Legal Profession Regulation 2007 Legal Profession (Barrister) Rules 2006 Legal Profession (Solicitors) Rules 2006
URL	http://www5.austlii.edu.au/au/legis/act/consol_act/lpa2006179/ http://www.legislation.act.gov.au

# **AUSTRALIA – NEW SOUTH WALES**

Legal Jurisdiction	Australia – New South Wales
Lawyer Title(s)	Lawyer, legal practitioner, Australian legal practitioner, barrister, solicitor, counsel, proctor, Queens Counsel or Senior Counsel
Regulator(s) of Admission	Legal Profession Admission Board Supreme Court of NSW
Contact/URL	http://www.lpab.justice.nsw.gov.au/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Practising certificates for solicitors are granted or renewed by the Law Society of New South Wales Practising certificates for barristers are granted or renewed by the New South Wales Bar Association The Law Council of Australia (LCA) develops professional conduct rules, legal practice rules and CPD rules for solicitors The Australian Bar Association (ABA) develops professional conduct rules, legal practice rules and CPD rules for barristers The Legal Services Council makes the professional conduct rules, legal practice rules and CPD rules developed by the LCA and ABA as Legal Profession Uniform Rules.
Contact/URL	http://www.lawsociety.com.au/; http://www.nswbar.asn.au/ http://www.lawcouncil.asn.au/ http://www.austbar.asn.au/ http://www.legalservicescouncil.org.au/
Disciplinary Authorities	The New South Wales Legal Services Commissioner investigates complaints and may make determinations about consumer complaints and disciplinary complaints about unsatisfactory professional conduct (but not professional misconduct) and impose sanctions or order remedies.  The Commissioner may delegate the investigation of complaints to the NSW Law Society or NSW Bar Association.  Unsatisfactory professional conduct complaints may be referred (and professional misconduct complaints must be referred) to the Civil and Administrative Tribunal of NSW to make disciplinary, compensation and other orders.  An order from the NCAT recommending removal from the roll is referred to the Supreme Court.
Contact/URL	http://olsc.nsw.gov.au/ http://www.lawsociety.com.au/ http://www.nswbar.asn.au/
Other Bodies	Commissioner for Uniform Legal Services Regulation Legal Services Council Attorney-General of New South Wales
Contact/URL	http://www.legalservicescouncil.org.au/

# AUSTRALIA – NEW SOUTH WALES (continued)

Primary	Legal Profession Uniform Law
Legislative	Legal Profession Uniform Law Application Act 2014 (NSW)
Source	Legal Profession Uniform Admission Rules 2015
	Legal Profession Uniform General Rules 2015
	Legal Profession Uniform Law Australian Solicitors' Conduct Rules 2015
	Legal Profession Uniform Legal Practice (Solicitors) Rules 2015
	Legal Profession Uniform Continuing Professional Development (Solicitors)
	Rules 2015
	Legal Profession Uniform Conduct (Barristers) Rules 2015
	Legal Profession Uniform Continuing Professional Development (Barristers)
	Rules 2015
	Legal Profession Uniform Law Application Act 2014 (NSW)
URL	http://www.legislation.nsw.gov.au/maintop/view/inforce/act+112+2004+cd+0+N

# **AUSTRALIA – NORTHERN TERRITORY**

Legal Jurisdiction	Australia – Northern Territory
Lawyer Title(s)	Lawyer, legal practitioner, barrister, solicitor, attorney, counsel, Queens Counsel, Senior Counsel
Regulator(s) of Admission	Legal Practitioners Admission Board of the Northern Territory Supreme Court of the Northern Territory
Contact/URL	http://www.supremecourt.nt.gov.au/lawyers/index.htm
Regulator(s) of Practice	The Law Society Northern Territory grants and renews practising certificates, and makes legal profession rules.
Contact/URL	http://lawsocietynt.asn.au
Disciplinary Authorities	The Law Society Northern Territory investigates complaints and may impose a fine or reprimand to deal with a complaint summarily for unsatisfactory professional conduct (but not professional misconduct). Unsatisfactory professional conduct complaints may be referred (and professional misconduct complaints must be referred) by the Law Society to the Legal Practitioners Disciplinary Tribunal to make disciplinary, compensation and other orders.  An order from the Disciplinary Tribunal recommending removal from the roll is referred to the Supreme Court.
Contact/URL	http://lawsocietynt.asn.au
Other Bodies	The Law Society Northern Territory Statutory Supervisor (nominally the Solicitor-General) Northern Territory Attorney-General
Contact/URL	http://lawsocietynt.asn.au
Primary Legislative Source	Legal Profession Act 2006 Legal Profession Regulations
URL	http://www5.austlii.edu.au/au/legis/nt/consol_act/lpa179/

# **AUSTRALIA – QUEENSLAND**

Legal Jurisdiction	Australia – Queensland
Lawyer Title(s)	Barrister/ Solicitor/ Legal Practitioner/ Lawyer
Regulator(s) of Admission	Legal Practitioners Admission Board of Queensland and the Supreme Court of Queensland
Contact/URL	Legal Practitioners Admissions Board Level 2, Law Society House GPO Box 1785 Brisbane QLD 4001 email: admissions@qls.com.au
Regulator(s) of Practice	The Queensland Law Society makes legal profession rules (ie professional conduct and practice rules) for solicitors. The Bar Association of Queensland makes legal profession rules (ie professional conduct and practice rules) for barristers.
Contact/URL	http://www.qls.com.au/ https://www.qldbar.asn.au/
Disciplinary Authorities	The Queensland Legal Services Commissioner investigates complaints. The Commissioner may refer a complaint to the Queensalnd Law Society or Bar Association of Queensland for investigation and report The Commissioner may institute disciplinary proceedings before the Legal Practice Committee or the Queensland Civil and Administrative Tribunal. These bodies may make orders imposing sanctions or other remedies. An order from the Tribunal recommending removal from the roll is referred to the Supreme Court.
Contact/URL	https://www.lsc.qld.gov.au/ http://www.lpcommittee.qld.gov.au/
Other Bodies	Attorney-General
Contact/URL	https://www.lsc.qld.gov.au/discipline/the-queensland-disciplinary- bodies/lpc
Primary Legislative Source	Legal Profession Act 2007
URL	http://www5.austlii.edu.au/au/legis/tas/consol_act/lpa2007179/

# AUSTRALIA – SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Legal Jurisdiction	Australia – South Australia
Lawyer Title(s)	Barrister/ Solicitor/ Legal Practitioner/ Lawyer
Regulator(s) of Admission	Legal Practitioners Education and Admission Council. Board of Examiners. Supreme Court of South Australia
Contact/URL	http://www.courts.sa.gov.au/ForLawyers/Pages/Admissions.aspx
Regulator(s) of Practice	Granting or renewing practising certificates is a function of the Supreme Court and performed by the Law Society of South AUstralia. Rules of professional conduct are made by the Law Society of South Australia.
Contact/URL	http://www.lawsocietysa.asn.au
Disciplinary Authorities	Legal Profession Conduct Commissioner and Legal Practitioners Disciplinary Tribunal
Contact/URL	http://www.lpcc.sa.gov.au/
Primary Legislative Source	Legal Practitioners Act 1981
URL	http://www.liv.asn.au/For-Lawyers/Regulation/Legal-Profession-Uniform-Laws/Legislation-and-Rules

# AUSTRALIA – TASMANIA

Legal Jurisdiction	Australia – Tasmania
Lawyer Title(s)	Lawyer, legal practitioner, barrister, solicitor, attorney, counsel, Queens Counsel, Senior Counsel
Regulator(s) of	Tasmanian Board of Legal Education
Admission	Supreme Court of Tasmania
Contact/URL	http://www.supremecourt.tas.gov.au/practice_and_procedure/admissions
Regulator(s) of Practice	The Law Society of Tasmania
Contact/URL	http://www.taslawsociety.asn.au/web/en/lawsociety.html
Disciplinary Authorities	Legal Professional Board of Tasmania - receives and investigates complaints about lawyers. Disciplinary decisions are made by the Legal Profession (Disciplinary) Tribunal, which can order that a practitioner be removed from the roll.
Contact/URL	http://www.lpbt.com.au/
Primary Legislative Source	Legal Profession Act 2007
URL	http://www5.austlii.edu.au/au/legis/wa/consol_act/lpa2008179/

# **AUSTRALIA – VICTORIA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Australia – Victoria
Lawyer Title(s)	Lawyer, legal practitioner, Australian legal practitioner, barrister, solicitor, counsel, proctor, Queens Counsel or Senior Counsel
Regulator(s) of Admission	The Victorian Legal Admissions Board. Supreme Court of Victoria
Contact/URL	http://www.lawadmissions.vic.gov.au
Regulator(s) of Practice	The Law Council of Australia (LCA) develops professional conduct rules, legal practice rules and CPD rules for solicitors. The Australian Bar Association (ABA) develops professional conduct rules, legal practice rules and CPD rules for barristers. The Legal Services Council makes the professional conduct rules, legal practice rules and CPD rules developed by the LCA and ABA as Legal Profession Uniform Rules.
Contact/URL	http://www.lsb.vic.gov.au/ http://www.lawcouncil.asn.au/ http://www.austbar.asn.au/ http://www.legalservicescouncil.org.au/
Disciplinary Authorities	Legal Services Board of Victoria and the Victoria Civil and Administrative Tribunal. An order from the Disciplinary Tribunal recommending removal from the roll is referred to the Supreme Court.
Contact/URL	http://www.lsb.vic.gov.au/
Other Bodies	Commissioner for Uniform Legal Services Regulation Legal Services Council Attorney-General of Victoria
Contact/URL	http://www.legalservicescouncil.org.au/
Primary Legislative Source	Legal Profession Uniform Law; Legal Profession Uniform Law Application Act 2014 (Vic); Legal Profession Uniform Admission Rules 2015; Legal Profession Uniform General Rules 2015; Legal Profession Uniform Law Australian Solicitors' Conduct Rules 2015 Legal Profession Uniform Legal Practice (Solicitors) Rules 2015; Legal Profession Uniform Continuing Professional Development (Solicitors) Rules 2015; Legal Profession Uniform Conduct (Barristers) Rules 2015 Legal Profession Uniform Continuing Professional Development (Barristers) Rules 2015; Legal Profession Uniform Law Application Act 2014 (NSW)
URL	http://www.liv.asn.au/For-Lawyers/Regulation/Legal-Profession-Uniform- Laws/Legislation-and-Rules

# **AUSTRALIA – WESTERN AUSTRALIA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Australia – Western Australia
Lawyer Title(s)	Barrister/ Solicitor/ Legal Practitioner/ Lawyer
Regulator(s) of Admission	Legal Practice Board of Western Australia. Supreme Court of Western Australia
Contact/URL	https://www.lpbwa.org.au/Home.aspx
Regulator(s) of Practice	The Legal Practice Board of Western Australia: http://www.lpbwa.org.au/
Contact/URL	https://www.lpbwa.org.au/Home.aspx
Disciplinary Authorities	Legal Practice Board of Western Australia
Contact/URL	https://www.lpbwa.org.au/Home.aspx
Other Bodies	Legal Practice Board of Western Australia
Contact/URL	https://www.lpbwa.org.au/Home.aspx
Primary Legislative Source	Legal Profession Act 2008
URL	http://www5.austlii.edu.au/au/legis/wa/consol_act/lpa2008179/

# **AUSTRIA**

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#### **BAHRAIN\***

Legal Jurisdiction	Bahrain
Lawyer Title(s)	Advocate
Regulator(s) of Admission	Bahraini advocates must be licensed by the Ministry of Justice if they are sole practitioners or head up a partnership of law firm. Other lawyers working for them do not need to be individually licensed by the Ministry of Justice but must have a licence from the MOIC instead
Contact/URL	http://www.moj.gov.bh/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Ministry of Justice
Contact/URL	http://www.moj.gov.bh/
Disciplinary Authorities	Ministry of Justice
Contact/URL	http://www.moj.gov.bh/
Other Bodies	Ministry of Justice
Contact/URL	http://www.moj.gov.bh/
Primary Legislative Source	The Legal Profession Act of 17 January 1981 and the Legal Practice Act 1980
URL	http://www.moj.gov.bh/en/Print_pfeec.html?printid=965

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#### **BANGLADESH**

Legal Jurisdiction	Bangladesh
Lawyer Title(s)	Advocate
Regulator(s) of Admission	Bangladesh Bar Council
Contact/URL	http://bangladeshbarcouncil.org/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Bangladesh Bar Council
Contact/URL	http://bangladeshbarcouncil.org/
Disciplinary Authorities	Bangladesh Bar Council
Contact/URL	http://bangladeshbarcouncil.org/
Primary Legislative Source	Bangladesh Legal Practitioners and Bar Council Order, 1972 (President's Order No. 46 of 1972)
URL	http://bdlaws.minlaw.gov.bd/pdf_part.php?id=387

#### **BARBADOS**

Legal Jurisdiction	Barbados
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney-at-Law
Regulator(s) of Admission	High Court of Barbados
Contact/URL	http://www.barbadoslawcourts.gov.bb
Regulator(s) of Practice	Barbados Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://barbadosbarassociation.com/index.cfm
Disciplinary Authorities	Disciplinary Committee of the Barbados Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://barbadosbarassociation.com/index.cfm
Other Bodies	Judicial Advisory Council and Ministry of Justice
Primary Legislative Source	Legal Profession Act 1978 CHAPTER 370A
URL	http://barbadosbarassociation.com/components/documents_download.cfm?FileID=5

# **BELGIUM\***

Legal Jurisdiction	Belgium
Lawyer Title(s)	Avocat/Avocaat/Rechtsanwalt
Regulator(s) of Admission	Would be lawyers must take an oath at the local Court of Appeal, register with the local Bar Association and undertake a period of traineeship. Ordre des Barreaux Francophones et Germanophone (OBFG) groups together all the local bars of the French-speaking and German-speaking communities in the country. The Orde van Vlaamse Balies (OVB) is the umbrella organisation for the local bars of the country's Dutch-speaking community.
Contact/URL	http://www.avocats.be/; http://www.advocaat.be/page.aspx?genericid=27
Regulator(s) of Practice	Local Bar Associations are responsible for regulating lawyers in practice. The Ordre des Barreaux Francophones et Germanophone (OBFG) groups together all the local bars of the French-speaking and German-speaking communities in the country. The Orde van Vlaamse Balies (OVB) is the umbrella organisation for the local bars of the country's Dutch-speaking community.
Contact/URL	www.avocats.be www.advocaat.be
Disciplinary Authorities	There are three disciplinary councils which handle the disciplinary matters of the 14 local French and German speaking Bars and three for the Dutch-speaking Bars, and a disciplinary committee of appeal from both the French and Dutch-speaking councils.
Contact/URL	CONSEIL DE DISCIPLINE DU RESSORT DE LA COUR D'APPEL DE BRUXELLES (compétent pour les barreaux de Bruxelles et Nivelles)
	CONSEIL DE DISCIPLINE DU RESSORT DE LA COUR D'APPEL DE LIÈGE
	(compétent pour les barreaux de Arlon, Dinant, Eupen, Huy, Liège, Marche, Namur, Neufchâteau et Verviers)
	CONSEIL DE DISCIPLINE DU RESSORT DE LA COUR D'APPEL DE MONS (compétent pour les barreaux de Charleroi, Mons et Tournai)
	CONSEIL DE DISCIPLINE D'APPEL
Primary Legislative Source	The Belgian Judicial Code Act of 4 July 2001 on the Structure of the Bar
URL	http://www.ccbe.eu/fileadmin/user_upload/NTCdocument/en_belgiquepdf1 _1190362409.pdf

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

# **BELIZE**

Legal Jurisdiction	Belize
Lawyer Title(s)	<ul><li>(1) Attorney-at-law</li><li>(2) Senior Counsel: any attorney of not less than eight years standing who has distinguished himself in the practice of the law.</li></ul>
Regulator(s) of Admission	(1) Registrar of the Supreme Court of Belize: keeps the list of attorneys-at- law known as the "Roll"; and the Registrar issues Practicing Certificates (2) The Supreme Court of Belize: applications for admission to practice law are made to the Supreme Court
Contact/URL	(1) Registrar of the Supreme Court No. 1 Treasury Lane Belize City Belize http://www.belizejudiciary.org/web/judicial-officers- 2/registrars/ (2) The Supreme Court of Belize No. 1 Treasury Lane Belize City Belize http://www.belizejudiciary.org/web/supreme-court/
Regulator(s) of Practice	(1) General Legal Council: responsible for establishing, adopting and upholding standards of professional conduct; consisting of the Chief Justice or a judge of the Supreme Court appointed by the Chief Justice, the Attorney General or his nominee, and three attorneys- at-law elected by the Bar Association, of whom two shall be attorneys-at-law of not less than two years standing in the profession, and two attorneys-at-law appointed by the Attorney General; the Chief Justice or a judge of the Supreme Court appointed by the Chief Justice shall be the Chairperson of the Council.  (2) The Registrar of the Supreme Court: responsible for issuing Practicing Certificates and reporting Attorneys practising without a certificate to the Chief Justice of Belize.
Contact/URL	<ul> <li>(1) The General Legal Council: http://www.belizebar.bz/general_legal_council.php</li> <li>(2) Registrar of the Supreme Court No. 1 Treasury Lane Belize City Belize http://www.belizejudiciary.org/web/judicial-officers-2/registrars/</li> </ul>
Disciplinary Authorities	(1) General Legal Council (2) The Chief Justice
Contact/URL	http://www.belizebar.bz/general_legal_council.php
Other Bodies	The Bar Association of Belize
Contact/URL	http://www.belizebar.bz/
Primary Legislative Source	(1) Legal Profession Act, Chapter 320, Revised Edition 2000; (2) Caribbean Community (Movement of Factors) (Amendment) Act 2004, Act No. 22 of 2004; (3) Legal Profession (Amendment) Act 2014, Act No. 22 of 2014; and (4) Legal Profession - Subsidiary Laws, Chapter 320, Revised Edition 2003; a. Legal Profession (Practicing Certificate) b. Legal Profession (Code of Conduct) Rules. (Prescribed Fee) Regulations
URL	(1) Legal Profession Act, Revised Edition 2000: http://www.belizebar.bz/downloads/legal_profession_ac t_cap320.pdf (2) Legal Profession - Subsidiary Laws, Chapter 320, Revised Edition 2003: http://www.belizelaw.org/web/lawadmin/PDF%20files/cap 320s.pdf (3) Caribbean Community (Movement of Factors) (Amendment) Act 2004, Act No. 22 of 2004: http://www.belizebar.bz/downloads/CCMF_Act.pdf

# **BENIN\***

Legal Jurisdiction	Benin
Lawyer Title(s)	Avocat
Regulator(s) of Admission	Barreau du Benin/Conseil de l'ordre
Contact/URL	http://www.barreaudubenin.fr/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Barreau du Benin/Conseil de l'ordre
Contact/URL	http://www.barreaudubenin.fr/
Disciplinary Authorities	Barreau du Benin/Conseil de l'ordre
Contact/URL	http://www.barreaudubenin.fr/
Primary Legislative Source	La loi du 29 Avril 1965 instituant le barreau béninois, le Règlement Intérieur du barreau ; Le décret du 23 Janvier 1988 portant organisation du Certificat d'Aptitude à la Profession d'avocat (CAPA).

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

# **BOLIVIA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Bolivia
Lawyer Title(s)	Abogado/a
Regulator(s) of Admission	Ministry of Justice (madatory) and one of the 9 correspondent regional Bar Association (optional).
Contact/URL	http://rpa.justicia.gob.bo/index.php?r=site/page&view=inicio
Regulator(s) of Practice	Ministry of Justice and the correspondent regional Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://www.justicia.gob.bo/#
Disciplinary Authorities	Ministry of Justice (National Court of Lawyer Ethics) Bar Associations (Regional Court of Honor)
Contact/URL	http://www.justicia.gob.bo/#
Other Bodies	Colegio Nacional de Abogados de Boliva
Contact/URL	http://www.conalab.org.bo/index.php
Primary Legislative Source	Ley del Ejercicio de la Abogacia No. 387 (2013)
URL	http://bolivia.infoleyes.com/shownorm.php?id=4478

### **BOTSWANA\***

Legal Jurisdiction	Botswana
Lawyer Title(s)	Legal practitioner and the titles advocate, attorney, notary or conveyancer may be used. All are covered by the Act. Practice as advocate or attorney is mutually exclusive. Attorneys may become notaries and conveyancers but must pass additional tests to hold that title.
Regulator(s) of Admission	Law Society of Botswana
Contact/URL	http://www.lawsociety.org.bw/about.php
Regulator(s) of Practice	Law Society of Botswana
Contact/URL	http://www.lawsociety.org.bw/about.php
Disciplinary Authorities	Executive Secretary of the Law Society of Botswana
Contact/URL	http://www.lawsociety.org.bw/council.php
Primary Legislative Source	Botswana Section 59 of the Legal Practitioners Act
URL	http://static1.1.sqspcdn.com/static/f/723732/25889608/1422112488603/ch6 1- 01+LEGAL+PRACTITIONERS.pdf?token=ovQ8REDNrsM9Hy4ZHEoleHw 0iG8%3D

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### **BRAZIL**

Legal Jurisdiction	Brazil
Lawyer Title(s)	Advogado (lawyer)
Regulator(s) of Admission	Ordem dos Advogados do Brasil (Brazilian Bar Association) - OAB
Contact/URL	http://www.oab.org.br/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Code of Ethics and Discipline of Ordem dos Advogados do Brasil (Brazilian Bar Association) - OAB
Contact/URL	http://www.oab.org.br/visualizador/19/codigo-de-etica-e-disciplina
Disciplinary Authorities	Brazilian Bar Association's Disciplinary Action Committee.
Contact/URL	http://www.oab.org.br/
Primary Legislative Source	- Law No. 8906 of July 4, 1994 (Statute of the Legal Profession and of the Brazilian Bar Association); - General Regulation of the Statute of the Legal Profession and of the Brazilian Bar Association; - Federal Constitution – Related articles; - Code of Ethics and Discipline; - Provisions.
URL	- Law No. 8906 of July 4, 1994 (Statute of the Legal Profession and of the Brazilian Bar Association): http://www.oab.org.br/Content/pdf/LegislacaoOab/Lei-8906-94-site.pdf - General Regulation of the Statute of the Legal Profession and of the Brazilian Bar Association: http://www.oab.org.br/visualizador/18/regulamento-geral - Federal Constitution – Related articles: http://www.oab.org.br/visualizador/23/constituicao-federal-dispositivos-aplicaveis - Code of Ethics and Discipline: http://www.oab.org.br/visualizador/19/codigo-de-etica-e-disciplina - Provisions: http://www.oab.org.br/leisnormas/pesquisalegislacao

# **BRUNEI**

Legal Jurisdiction	Brunei Darussalam
Lawyer Title(s)	Advocate and Solicitor
Regulator(s) of Admission	The Attorney General of the Law Building Bandar Seri Begawan and the Chief Justice.
Contact/URL	http://www.agc.gov.bn/Theme/Home.aspx
Regulator(s) of Practice	The Attorney General
Contact/URL	The Law Building Bandar Seri Begawan BA 1910, Brunei Darussalam Telephone: (673) 223 1200 or (673) 224 4872. http://www.agc.gov.bn/
Disciplinary Authorities	The Attorney General of the Law Building Bandar Seri Begawan
Contact/URL	The Law Building Bandar Seri Begawan BA 1910, Brunei Darussalam Telephone: (673) 223 1200 or (673) 224 4872. http://www.agc.gov.bn/
Primary Legislative Source	Brunei Darussalam Legal Profession Act (CAP.132 of Laws of Brunei). 1983, revised 2006
URL	http://www.trusts.it/admincp/UploadedPDF/201111151714080.sBRU_Legal ProfessionAct.pdf

### **BULGARIA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Bulgaria
Lawyer Title(s)	Адвокати (advocate)
Regulator(s) of Admission	Local Bar Associations admit lawyers. An EU lawyer may practice in Bulgaria upon entry into the Unified register of the foreign lawyers kept by the Supreme Bar Council. The Supreme Bar Council hears appeals from decisions of the local bars.
Contact/URL	http://www.vas.bg/en/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Local Bars (27 in total) carry out day to day regulation and keep the lists of the practicing lawyers, junior lawyers, lawyer's associates, lawyers associations and partnerships. The Supreme Bar Council is entrusted with the overall regulation of the practice by adopting certain legal acts, hearing appeals against decisions of the local bars and their bodies, maintaining the list of all practising lawyers, junior lawyers, lawyer's associates, lawyers associations and partnerships in Bulgaria, and the register of offices in which they work, as well as the list of the foreign lawyers admitted to practice in Bulgaria.
Contact/URL	http://www.vas.bg/en/
Disciplinary Authorities	Local bars and their respective disciplinary councils take disciplinary decisions and the Supreme Bar Council hears appeals of those decisions.
Contact/URL	http://www.vas.bg/en/
Primary Legislative Source	The Bulgarian Bar Act 2004; Attorneys' Ethics Code 2005; Regulation on the Bar Admission Exams for Lawyers and Junior Lawyers 2004; Legal Aid Act 2006; Regulation on the Education and Qualification of the Lawyers 2006

# **BURKINA FASO**

Legal Jurisdiction	Burkina Faso
Lawyer Title(s)	Avocat/Avocat honoraire
Regulator(s) of Admission	Le Conseil de l'Ordre des Avocats du Burkina Faso
Contact/URL	http://barreau-bf.org/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Le Conseil de l'Ordre des Avocats du Burkina Faso
Contact/URL	http://barreau-bf.org/
Disciplinary Authorities	Le Conseil de l'Ordre des Avocats du Burkina Faso
Contact/URL	http://barreau-bf.org/
Other Bodies	Les procureurs généraux près les cours d'appel, La juridiction d'appel paritaire ; Le premier président de la cour d'appel, La conférence des barreaux
Contact/URL	http://barreau-bf.org/
Primary Legislative Source	Loi 2000-016 du 23 mai portant règlementation de la profession d'Avocat au Burkina et le Décret N°2000-426/PRES/PM/MJ du 13 septembre 2000 Règlement n°05/CM/UEMOA relatif à l'harmonisation des règles régissant la profession d'avocat dans l'espace UEMOA
URL	www.legiburkina.bf

# **BURUNDI**

Legal Jurisdiction	Burundi
Lawyer Title(s)	Avocat (Lawyer)
Regulator(s) of Admission	Burundi Bar Association and the Court of Appeal
Contact/URL	cea.barreau.burundi@gmail.com
Regulator(s) of Practice	The Batonnier and the Council of the Bar Association
Contact/URL	cea.barreau.burundi@gmail.com
Disciplinary Authorities	The Batonnier and the Council of the Bar Association
Contact/URL	cea.barreau.burundi@gmail.com
Primary Legislative Source	La loi sur la profession d'Avocat (LOI No. 1/014 du 29 novembre 2002 PORTANT REFORME DU STATUT DE LA PROFESSION D'AVOCAT); Reglement D'Ordre Interieur de L'Ordre des Avocats du Burundi.

# **CAMBODIA\***

Legal Jurisdiction	Cambodia
Lawyer Title(s)	មេធារី (Lawyer)
Regulator(s) of Admission	Bar Association of the Kingdom of Cambodia
Contact/URL	http://www.bakc.org.kh/km/lawyer-membership
Regulator(s) of Practice	Bar Association of the Kingdom of Cambodia
Contact/URL	www.bakc.org.kh
Disciplinary Authorities	Bar Association of the Kingdom of Cambodia
Contact/URL	www.bakc.org.kh
Other Bodies	
Contact/URL	
Primary Legislative Source	Law on Statute for Lawyers 1995
URL	http://www.bakc.org.kh/Legal_Instrument/Lawyer/Law_006_0895_KH.pdf

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

# **CAMEROON\***

Legal Jurisdiction	The order is divided into regions but all lawyers have rights throughout the country
Lawyer Title(s)	Advocat
Regulator(s) of Admission	l'Ordre des Avocats au Barreau du Cameroun
Contact/URL	http://www.barreaucameroun.org
Regulator(s) of Practice	l'Ordre des Avocats au Barreau du Cameroun
Contact/URL	http://www.barreaucameroun.org
Disciplinary Authorities	l'Ordre des Avocats au Barreau du Cameroun
Contact/URL	http://www.barreaucameroun.org
Other Bodies	
Contact/URL	
Primary Legislative Source	ORGANISATION DE LA PROFESSION D'AVOCAT Loi N° 90/059 DU 19 DECEMBRE 1990
URL	

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

# CANADA – ALBERTA

Legal Jurisdiction	Canada - Alberta
Lawyer Title(s)	Barrister and Solicitor
Regulator(s) of Admission	Law Society of Alberta
Contact/URL	http://lawsociety.ab.ca/membership/overview.aspx
Regulator(s) of Practice	Law Society of Alberta
Contact/URL	http://lawsociety.ab.ca/lawyer_regulation/overview.aspx
Disciplinary Authorities	Law Society of Alberta
Contact/URL	http://www.lawsociety.ab.ca/lawyer_regulation/complaints.aspx
Other Bodies	Federation of Law Societies of Canada - acts as the coordinating body of the provincial law societies at national level and supports the development of national standards
Contact/URL	http://flsc.ca/
Primary Legislative Source	The Legal Profession Act: 2000, 2013
URL	http://www.lawsociety.ab.ca/lawyers/regulations/lpa.aspx

# **CANADA – BRITISH COLUMBIA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Canada – British Columbia
Lawyer Title(s)	Lawyer, Barrister, Solicitor
Regulator(s) of Admission	Law Society of British Columbia
Contact/URL	https://www.lawsociety.bc.ca/page.cfm?cid=41&t=Becoming-a-Lawyer-in-BC
Regulator(s) of Practice	Law Society of British Columbia
Contact/URL	https://www.lawsociety.bc.ca/
Disciplinary Authorities	Law Society of British Columbia
Contact/URL	https://www.lawsociety.bc.ca/page.cfm?cid=42&t=Complaints-and- Discipline
Other Bodies	Federation of Law Societies of Canada - acts as the coordinating body of the provincial law societies at national level and supports the development of national standards
Contact/URL	http://flsc.ca/
Primary Legislative Source	Legal Profession Act: 1998, revised 2016
URL	http://www.lawsociety.bc.ca/page.cfm?cid=694&t=Legal-Profession-Act- Contents

# CANADA – MANITOBA

Legal Jurisdiction	Canada – Manitoba
Lawyer Title(s)	Lawyer, Barrister, Solicitor, Attorney-at-law
Regulator(s) of Admission	Law Society of Manitoba
Contact/URL	http://www.lawsociety.mb.ca/forms/admission
Regulator(s) of Practice	Law Society of Manitoba
Contact/URL	http://www.lawsociety.mb.ca/lawyer-regulation
Disciplinary Authorities	Law Society of Manitoba
Contact/URL	http://www.lawsociety.mb.ca/lawyer-regulation
Other Bodies	Federation of Law Societies of Canada - acts as the coordinating body of the provincial law societies at national level and supports the development of national standards
Contact/URL	http://flsc.ca/
Primary Legislative Source	Legal Profession Act: 2002
URL	http://web2.gov.mb.ca/laws/statutes/ccsm/l107e.php

# **CANADA – NEW BRUNSWICK**

Legal Jurisdiction	Canada – New Brunswick
Lawyer Title(s)	Barrister and Solicitor
Regulator(s) of Admission	Law Society of New Brunswick
Contact/URL	http://lawsociety-barreau.nb.ca/en/becoming-a-lawyer/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Law Society of New Brunswick
Contact/URL	http://lawsociety-barreau.nb.ca/en/regulation/acts-and-rules/
Disciplinary Authorities	Law Society of New Brunswick
Contact/URL	http://lawsociety-barreau.nb.ca/en/for-lawyers/discipline/
Other Bodies	Federation of Law Societies of Canada - acts as the coordinating body of the provincial law societies at national level and supports the development of national standards
Contact/URL	http://flsc.ca/
Primary Legislative Source	Law Society Act 1996,
URL	http://lawsociety-barreau.nb.ca/en/regulation/acts-and-rules/

# CANADA – NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR

Legal Jurisdiction	Canada – Newfoundland and Labrador
Lawyer Title(s)	Barrister and Solicitor
Regulator(s) of Admission	Law Society of Newfoundland & Labrador
Contact/URL	http://www.lawsociety.nf.ca/admission-to-profession/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Law Society of Newfoundland & Labrador
Contact/URL	http://www.lawsociety.nf.ca/lawyers/lawyer-regulation/
Disciplinary Authorities	Law Society of Newfoundland & Labrador
Contact/URL	http://www.lawsociety.nf.ca/public/discipline/
Other Bodies	Federation of Law Societies of Canada - acts as the coordinating body of the provincial law societies at national level and supports the development of national standards
Contact/URL	http://flsc.ca/
Primary Legislative Source	Law Society Act 1999:
URL	http://www.assembly.nl.ca/legislation/sr/statutes/l09-1.htm

# **CANADA – NORTHWEST TERRIROTIES**

Legal Jurisdiction	Canada – Northwest Territories
Lawyer Title(s)	Barrister and Solicitor
Regulator(s) of Admission	Law Society of Northwest Territories
Contact/URL	http://www.lawsociety.nt.ca/membership/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Law Society of the Northwest Territories
Contact/URL	http://www.lawsociety.nt.ca/regulation/
Disciplinary Authorities	Law Society of the Northwest Territories
Contact/URL	http://www.lawsociety.nt.ca/regulation/discipline-proceedings-notices/
Other Bodies	Federation of Law Societies of Canada - acts as the coordinating body of the provincial law societies at national level and supports the development of national standards
Contact/URL	http://flsc.ca/
Primary Legislative Source	The Legal Profession Act:
URL	https://www.justice.gov.nt.ca/en/files/legislation/legal-profession/legal-profession.a.pdf

# CANADA – NOVA SCOTIA

Legal Jurisdiction	Canada – Nova Scotia
Lawyer Title(s)	Lawyer, barrister, barrister-at-law, attorney-at-law
Regulator(s) of Admission	Nova Scotia Barristers' Society
Contact/URL	http://nsbs.org/become_a_lawyer
Regulator(s) of Practice	Nova Scotia Barristers' Society
Contact/URL	http://nsbs.org/regulation
Disciplinary Authorities	Nova Scotia Barristers' Society
Contact/URL	http://nsbs.org/complaint-process
Other Bodies	Federation of Law Societies of Canada - acts as the coordinating body of the provincial law societies at national level and supports the development of national standards
Contact/URL	http://flsc.ca/
Primary Legislative Source	Legal Profession Act: 2004, 2010
URL	http://nsbs.org/sites/default/files/cms/menu-pdf/legalprofessionact.pdf

# **CANADA - NUNAVUT**

Legal Jurisdiction	Canada – Nunavut
Lawyer Title(s)	Barrister and Solicitor
Regulator(s) of Admission	Law Society of Nunavut
Contact/URL	http://lawsociety.nu.ca/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Law Society of Nunavut
Contact/URL	http://lawsociety.nu.ca/
Disciplinary Authorities	Law Society of Nunavut
Contact/URL	http://lawsociety.nu.ca/
Other Bodies	Federation of Law Societies of Canada - acts as the coordinating body of the provincial law societies at national level and supports the development of national standards
Contact/URL	http://flsc.ca/
Primary Legislative Source	The Legal Profession Act of Nunavut: 2013
URL	http://www.canlii.org/en/nu/laws/stat/rsnwt-nu-1988-c-l-2/latest/rsnwt-nu-1988-c-l-2.html

### **CANADA - ONTARIO**

Legal Jurisdiction	Canada – Ontario
Lawyer Title(s)	Barrister and Solicitor
Regulator(s) of Admission	Law Society of Upper Canada
Contact/URL	http://www.lsuc.on.ca/licensingprocesslawyer/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Law Society of Upper Canada
Contact/URL	http://www.lsuc.on.ca/lawyer-conduct-rules/
Disciplinary Authorities	Law Society of Upper Canada
Contact/URL	http://www.lsuc.on.ca/complaints/
Other Bodies	Federation of Law Societies of Canada - acts as the coordinating body of the provincial law societies at national level and supports the development of national standards
Contact/URL	http://flsc.ca/
Primary Legislative Source	Legal Profession Act: 1990, 2014
URL	http://www.e- laws.gov.on.ca/html/statutes/english/elaws_statutes_90l08_e.htm

# **CANADA – PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND**

Legal Jurisdiction	Canada – Prince Edward Island
Lawyer Title(s)	Barrister, solicitor and attorney
Regulator(s) of Admission	Law Society of Prince Edward Island
Contact/URL	http://lawsocietypei.ca/admission-to-the-law-society
Regulator(s) of Practice	The Law Society of Prince Edward Island
Contact/URL	http://lawsocietypei.ca/regulation
Disciplinary Authorities	The Law Society of Prince Edward Island
Contact/URL	http://lawsocietypei.ca/complaints-and-discipline
Other Bodies	Federation of Law Societies of Canada - acts as the coordinating body of the provincial law societies at national level and supports the development of national standards
Contact/URL	http://flsc.ca/
Primary Legislative Source	Legal Profession Act (as amended 2015)
URL	http://www.gov.pe.ca/law/statutes/pdf/l-06 1.pdf

# **CANADA - QUÉBEC**

Legal Jurisdiction	Canada – Québec
Lawyer Title(s)	Avocat, lawyer notaire, notary
Regulator(s) of Admission	Barreau du Quebec Chambre des notaires du Quebec
Contact/URL	http://www.barreau.qc.ca/en/devenir-avocat/ http://www.cnq.org/fr/devenir-notaire.html
Regulator(s) of Practice	Barreau de Quebec Chambre des notaires du Quebec
Contact/URL	http://www.barreau.qc.ca/en/barreau/lois-reglements/ http://www.cnq.org/
Disciplinary Authorities	Barreau de Quebec Chambre des notaires du Quebec
Contact/URL	http://www.barreau.qc.ca/en/avocats/deontologie/ http://www.cnq.org/
Other Bodies	Federation of Law Societies of Canada - acts as the coordinating body of the provincial law societies at national level and supports the development of national standards
Contact/URL	http://flsc.ca/
Primary Legislative Source	Loi sur le Barreau, <i>Décret 29-2016 du 28 janvier 2016</i>
URL	http://www.canlii.org/en/qc/laws/stat/cqlr-c-n-3/latest/cqlr-c-n-3.html

# **CANADA - SASKATCHEWAN**

Legal Jurisdiction	Canada – Saskatchewan
Lawyer Title(s)	barrister, solicitor, barrister and solicitor, lawyer, attorney
Regulator(s) of Admission	Law Society of Saskatchewan
Contact/URL	http://www.lawsociety.sk.ca/for-lawyers-and-students/becoming-a-lawyer-in-saskatchewan.aspx
Regulator(s) of Practice	Law Society of Saskatchewan
Contact/URL	http://www.lawsociety.sk.ca/lawyer-regulation.aspx
Disciplinary Authorities	Law Society of Saskatchewan
Contact/URL	http://www.lawsociety.sk.ca/lawyer-regulation/disciplinary-process.aspx
Other Bodies	Federation of Law Societies of Canada - acts as the coordinating body of the provincial law societies at national level and supports the development of national standards
Contact/URL	http://flsc.ca/
Primary Legislative Source	Law Society Act: 1990, 2014
URL	http://www.publications.gov.sk.ca/details.cfm?p=593

### **CANADA - YUKON**

Legal Jurisdiction	Canada – Yukon
Lawyer Title(s)	Barrister and Solicitor
Regulator(s) of Admission	Law Society of Yukon
Contact/URL	http://www.lawsocietyyukon.com/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Law Society of Yukon
Contact/URL	http://www.lawsocietyyukon.com/
Disciplinary Authorities	Law Society of Yukon
Contact/URL	http://www.lawsocietyyukon.com/discipline.php
Other Bodies	Federation of Law Societies of Canada - acts as the coordinating body of the provincial law societies at national level and supports the development of national standards
Contact/URL	http://flsc.ca/
Primary Legislative Source	Legal Profession Act: 2004
URL	http://www.lawsocietyyukon.com/act.php

### **CAPE VERDE**

Legal Jurisdiction	Cape Verde
Lawyer Title(s)	Advogado (lawyer)
Regulator(s) of Admission	The Superior Council (Conselho Superior) of the Cape Verde Bar Association (Ordem dos Advogados de Cabo Verde) is responsible for the regulations and general organization and orientation of the internship (estágio).
Contact/URL	www.oacv.cv www.caboverde.oa.pt/ Address: Rua Serpa Pinto, 9 – 3.º Plateau, C.P. 782 Cabo Verde Telephone: 00238 2619755 /56 Fax: 00238 2619754 E-Mail: ordemadvogados@cvtelecom.cv / arnaldopsilva@cvtelecom.cv
Regulator(s) of Practice	The National Council (Conselho Nacional) of the Cape Verde Bar Association (Ordem dos Advogados de Cabo Verde) is responsible for approving the Code of Conduct for Lawyers (Código Deontológico dos Advogados) and the Board of Ethics and Discipline (Conselho de Deontologia e Disciplina) is responsible for ensuring compliance on the part of lawyers and trainee lawyers of ethics and standards of professional ethics.
Contact/URL	www.oacv.cv www.caboverde.oa.pt/ Address: Rua Serpa Pinto, 9 – 3.º Plateau, C.P. 782 Cabo Verde Telephone: 00238 2619755 /56 Fax: 00238 2619754 E-Mail: ordemadvogados@cvtelecom.cv / arnaldopsilva@cvtelecom.cv
Disciplinary Authorities	The Board of Ethics and Discipline (Conselho de Deontologia e Disciplina) of the Cape Verde Bar Association (Ordem dos Advogados de Cabo Verde) is responsable for taking disciplinary actions.
Contact/URL	www.oacv.cv www.caboverde.oa.pt/ Address: Rua Serpa Pinto, 9 – 3.º Plateau, C.P. 782 Cabo Verde Telephone: 00238 2619755 /56 Fax: 00238 2619754 E-Mail: ordemadvogados@cvtelecom.cv / arnaldopsilva@cvtelecom.cv
Primary Legislative Source	Law No. 91/VI/2006, of 9 January 2006
URL	http://www.caboverde.oa.pt/estatuto.htm

# **CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC**

Legal Jurisdiction	Central African Republic
Lawyer Title(s)	Avocat
Regulator(s) of Admission	Conseil de l'Ordre des Avocats de la République Centrafricaine
Contact/URL	Conseil de l'Ordre des Avocats de la République Centrafricaine BP 2985 Bangui Centrafrique Tel. 00 236 21 61 24 16 Facsmile. 00 236 61 77 73/61 35 61 sbalemby@hotmail.com
Regulator(s) of Practice	Conseil de l'Ordre des Avocats de la République Centrafricaine
Contact/URL	Conseil de l'Ordre des Avocats de la République Centrafricaine BP 2985 Bangui Centrafrique Tel. 00 236 21 61 24 16 Facsmile. 00 236 61 77 73/61 35 61 sbalemby@hotmail.com
Disciplinary Authorities	Conseil de l'Ordre des Avocats de la République Centrafricaine
Contact/URL	Conseil de l'Ordre des Avocats de la République Centrafricaine BP 2985 Bangui Centrafrique Tel. 00 236 21 61 24 16 Facsmile. 00 236 61 77 73/61 35 61 sbalemby@hotmail.com
Primary Legislative Source	Loi no. 10.006 du 26 Juin 2010 portant statut de la profession des Avocats en République Centrafricaine

# CHILE\*

Legal Jurisdiction	Chile
Lawyer Title(s)	Abogado/a (attorney/lawyer)
Regulator(s) of Admission	The Corte Suprema/Supreme Court is charged with granting licenses to practice law in Chile.
Contact/URL	http://www.pjud.cl/corte-suprema
Regulator(s) of Practice	The Corte Suprema/Supreme Court is charged with granting licenses to practice law in Chile.
Contact/URL	http://www.pjud.cl/corte-suprema
Disciplinary Authorities	
Contact/URL	
Other Bodies	
Contact/URL	
Primary Legislative Source	
URL	

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

# CHINA\*

Legal Jurisdiction	China, People's Republic of
Lawyer Title(s)	Lawyer
Regulator(s) of Admission	The judicial administration department of the people's government of a province, autonomous region or municipality directly under the Central Government shall issue the licenses to the eligible applicants.
Contact/URL	http://www.moj.gov.cn/
Regulator(s) of Practice	All-China Lawyers Association and the lawyer's local association.
Contact/URL	http://www.acla.org.cn/
Disciplinary Authorities	The judicial administration department of the people's government of a province, autonomous region or municipality directly under the Central Government shall issue any disciplinary warnings or actions.
Contact/URL	http://www.moj.gov.cn/
Other Bodies	Ministry of Justice of PRC
Contact/URL	http://www.moj.gov.cn/
Primary Legislative Source	Order No. 64 of the President of the People's Republic of China - Lawyers Law (2012)
URL	http://www.lawinfochina.com/display.aspx?lib=law&id=12576&CGid=

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

# **COLOMBIA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Colombia
Lawyer Title(s)	Abogado/a (attorney)
Regulator(s) of Admission	The "Consejo Superior de la Judicatura" is the national authority in charge of issuing licenses for individual lawyers.
Contact/URL	https://www.ramajudicial.gov.co/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Consejo Superior de la Judicatura
Contact/URL	https://www.ramajudicial.gov.co/
Disciplinary Authorities	Consejo Superior de la Judicatura
Contact/URL	https://www.ramajudicial.gov.co/
Primary Legislative Source	Decree 196 of 1971 (Statute for the Practice of Law) Decree 1137 of 1971 (This Decree regulates some provisions of Decree 196 of 1971) Law 1123 of 2007 (Disciplinary Code of the Legal Profession)

# CONGO

Legal Jurisdiction	Congo, Republic of
Lawyer Title(s)	Avocat
Regulator(s) of Admission	Le Conseil de l'Ordre National des Avocats du Congo Barreau de Brazzaville
Contact/URL	Le Conseil de l'Ordre National des Avocats du Congo BP 1974 Brazzaville Tel. 00 242 520 17 10 /551 03 14 Facsmile. 00 235 89 02 64 /515 51 17
Regulator(s) of Practice	le Conseil de l'Ordre National des Avocats du Congo Barreau de Brazzaville
Contact/URL	Le Conseil de l'Ordre National des Avocats du Congo BP 1974 Brazzaville Tel. 00 242 520 17 10 /551 03 14 Facsmile. 00 235 89 02 64 /515 51 17
Disciplinary Authorities	le Conseil de l'Ordre National des Avocats du Congo Barreau de Brazzaville
Contact/URL	Le Conseil de l'Ordre National des Avocats du Congo BP 1974 Brazzaville Tel. 00 242 520 17 10 /551 03 14 Facsmile. 00 235 89 02 64 /515 51 17
Primary Legislative Source	Loi 026-92 du 20 août 1992 portant organisation de la profession d'avocat
URL	http://www.cesbc.org/congo/Lois/Loi%20026-92.pdf

# **DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO**

Legal Jurisdiction	Congo, Democratic Republic of
Lawyer Title(s)	Lawyer titles: - Avocat or advocates in English (must hold at least a degree from a faculty of law after 5 year study): can appear in all kind of court: local court, High court, Court of appeal and supreme court. They have jurisdiction all over the country Défenseur judiciaire (must hold a master in law, 3 year study): can appear at local and high court only in a restricted area, in a specific jurisdiction.
Regulator(s) of Admission	Regulator of admission: - for the advocates, the regulator of admission is "Conseil de l'ordre". The "Conseil de l'ordre" is supervised by the president called "Bâtonnier". This is composed of several commissions among them "admission commission". Once the admission commission has finish to investigate on a candidate, his/her file is transmitted to the Attorney General for his advice. If there is nothing wrong with him/her, the candidate will be admitted.
Contact/URL	Contact/URL: all communications addressed to the DRC Bar Association must de submitted to The Bâtonnier National, who will direct them to the concerned commission for treatment (art. 49, organic law on the legal profession). If directed to a provincial bar association, they must be addressed to the "Bâtonnier". For national bar association (DRC Bar association) the URL is: http://www.onardc.org https://www.facebook.com/Ordre-National-des-Avocats-de-la-RDC267913106661686
Regulator(s) of Practice	Regulator(s) of Practice: Conseil national de l'Ordre, with the specific commission. Although decisions are taken in a plenary session of the council. The national council edict a rules framework for all lawyers and bar associations. Each provincial bar association is able to elaborate a code of conduct according to the rules framework. A disciplinary decision taken by a provincial bar association is appealable at the national level. No one other judiciary authority can intefere in this.
Contact/URL	http://www.barreaudelagombe.cd/
Disciplinary Authorities	Bâtonnier who closely work with the Disciplinary commission. Although, all council members are concerned (conseil de l'ordre).
Contact/URL	Contact person: Bâtonnier national ( cno_cd@yahoo.fr; onavocatsrdc@gmail.com; private:kambamutu@gmail.com; kambamutu@hotmail.com).
Other Bodies	Conférence des Bâtonniers : this is an experience sharing platform for bar leaders.
Primary Legislative Source	Ordonnance-loi n° 70-028 du 28/09/1979 portant organisation du barreau, du corps des défenseurs judiciaires et des mandataires de l'Etat.
URL	journalofficiel.cd - global legal information network (glingov.cd) - leganet.cd

# **COSTA RICA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Costa Rica
Lawyer Title(s)	Abogado/a / Notario
Regulator(s) of Admission	The Bar Association of Costa Rica issues licences to individuals.
Contact/URL	http://www.abogados.or.cr/
Regulator(s) of Practice	The Bar Association of Costa Rica
Contact/URL	http://www.abogados.or.cr/
Disciplinary Authorities	The Bar Association of Costa Rica
Contact/URL	http://www.abogados.or.cr/
Other Bodies	Dirección Nacional de Notariado is involved in the regulation of Notaries (Notarios).
Contact/URL	http://www.dnn.go.cr/
Primary Legislative Source	Ley Orgánica del Colegio de Abogados No. 13 de 28 de octubre de 1941; Codigo Notarial Ley 7764
URL	http://www.asamblea.go.cr/Centro_de_informacion/Servicios_Parlamentarios/Leyes%20actualizadas/13.pdf

### **COTE D'IVOIRE**

Legal Jurisdiction	Cote d'Ivoire
Lawyer Title(s)	The "Avocat" (lawyer/barrister) and "Conseil juridique" (legal counselor). While both professionals are entitled to give legal advice, only "avocats" have the right to appear in court.
Regulator(s) of Admission	Conseil de l''Ordre des Avocats de Cote d'Ivoire
Contact/URL	info@ordredesavocats.ci (225) 20216364 http://www.ordredesavocats.ci/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Conseil de L'Ordre des Avocats de Cote d'Ivoire; Commission de l'Union Economique et Monétaire Ouest Africaine
Contact/URL	info@ordredesavocats.ci (225) 20216364 http://www.ordredesavocats.ci/
Disciplinary Authorities	Conseil de Discipline du Conseil de L'Ordre des Avocats de Cote d'Ivoire
Contact/URL	info@ordredesavocats.ci (225) 20216364 http://www.ordredesavocats.ci/
Other Bodies	Conseil des Ministres chargés de la Justice de la Commission de l'Union Economique et Monétaire Ouest Africaine
Contact/URL	www.uemoa.int
Primary Legislative Source	Règlement N°5/CM/UEMOA relatif à l'harmonisation des règles régissant la profession d'avocat dans l'espace UEMOA du 25 Loi N°81-588 du 27 juillet 1981, reglementant la profession septembre 2014 d'avocat
URL	http://www.loidici.com/Statutavocat/statutsavocatsdiverses.php

# **CROATIA\***

Legal Jurisdiction	Croatia
Lawyer Title(s)	Odvjetnik/odvjetnica (lawyer/attorney)
Regulator(s) of Admission	Croatian Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://www.hok-cba.hr/en/node/44
Regulator(s) of Practice	Both lists of individual lawyers admitted to practice in Croatia and legally established law firms are maintained by the Croatian Bar Association.
Contact/URL	http://www.hok-cba.hr/en/node/44
Disciplinary Authorities	Croatian Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://www.hok-cba.hr/en/node/44
Primary Legislative Source	Law on the Legal Profession (Zakon o odvjetništvu, Official Gazette "Narodne novine" No. 9/94, dated January 27, 1994 and No. 117 dated October 13, 2008
URL	http://www.hok-cba.hr/sites/default/files/zakon_o_odvjetnistvu.pdf

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

# CUBA\*

Legal Jurisdiction	Cuba
Lawyer Title(s)	Abogado
Regulator(s) of Admission	Organizacion Nacional de Bufetes Colectivos
Contact/URL	http://www.ecured.cu/index.php/Organizaci%C3%B3n_Nacional_de_Bufetes_Colectivos#Ejercicio_y_C.C3.B3digo_deC3.89tica
Regulator(s) of Practice	Organizacion Nacional de Bufetes Colectivos
Contact/URL	http://www.ecured.cu/index.php/Organizaci%C3%B3n_Nacional_de_Bufetes_Colectivos#Ejercicio_y_C.C3.B3digo_deC3.89tica
Disciplinary Authorities	Organizacion Nacional de Bufetes Colectivos
Contact/URL	http://www.ecured.cu/index.php/Organizaci%C3%B3n_Nacional_de_Bufetes_Colectivos#Ejercicio_y_C.C3.B3digo_deC3.89tica

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

# CYPRUS\*

Legal Jurisdiction	Cyprus
Lawyer Title(s)	Δικηγόρος (Dikigoros/lawyer)
Regulator(s) of Admission	The Legal Council, which is a regulatory body chaired by the Attorney General and comprising representatives of the Bar Council and other practising attorneys.
Contact/URL	http://www.cyprusbarassociation.org/v1/index.php/el/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Both the Legal Council and the Bar Council are involved in issuing licences to individuals and law firms. The Legal Council is a regulatory body chaired by the Attorney General and comprising representatives of the Bar Council and other practising attorneys.
Contact/URL	http://www.cyprusbarassociation.org/v1/index.php/el/
Disciplinary Authorities	The Disciplinary Board which includes the Attorney General as Chair and the President of the Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://www.cyprusbarassociation.org/v1/index.php/el/
Primary Legislative Source	The Advocates Law 1961 (as amended)
URL	http://www.ccbe.eu/fileadmin/user_upload/NTCdocument/cyprus_enpdf1_1 193994690.pdf

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

# **CZECH REPUBLIC**

Legal Jurisdiction	Czech Republic
Lawyer Title(s)	Advokát
Regulator(s) of Admission	The Czech Bar Association registers both individual lawyers and firms
Contact/URL	http://www.cak.cz/en/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Czech Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://www.cak.cz/en/
Disciplinary Authorities	The Control Council and the Disciplinary Commission of the Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://www.cak.cz/en/
Primary Legislative Source	Act No. 85/1996 Sb. of 13th March 1996 on the Legal Profession
URL	http://www.cak.cz/scripts/detail.php?id=1993

## **DEMARK**

Legal Jurisdiction	Denmark
Lawyer Title(s)	Advokat
Regulator(s) of Admission	Lawyers are licensed by the Ministry of Justice, Civil and Police Department The Danish Bar and Law Society is responsible for holding the register of admitted lawyers
Contact/URL	http://www.justitsministeriet.dk/ministeriet/departementet/civilafdelingen
Regulator(s) of Practice	The Danish Bar and Law Society ('Advokatsamfundet') is responsible for the ongoing supervision of licensed lawyers.
Contact/URL	http://www.advokatsamfundet.dk/Service/English/Rules.aspx
Disciplinary Authorities	The Council of the Bar and Law Society (investigating and prosecuting lawyers for disciplinary violations The Disciplinary Board ("Advokatnævnet") of the Danish Bar and Law Society
Contact/URL	http://advokatsamfundet.dk/Service/English/Organization/The%20Council.aspx http://www.advokatsamfundet.dk/Service/English/Organization/The%20Disciplinary%20Board.aspx
Primary Legislative Source	Danish Administration of Justice Act; cf. Consolidated Act No. 1255 of 16 November 2015
URL	https://www.retsinformation.dk/Fo rms/R0710.aspx?id=172923 http://www.advokatsamfundet.dk/ Service/English/Rules/~/media/Fil es/English/Advokatsamfundets_r egler_2_eng081208_eng1.ashx (most recent translation)

## DJIBOUTI

Legal Jurisdiction	Djibouti
Lawyer Title(s)	Lawyer
Regulator(s) of Admission	Le Conseil de L'Ordre des Avocats du Barreau de Djibouti
Contact/URL	Tel. (253) 21.35.01.24 /(253) 77.81.17.73 / Fax: (253) 21.35.06.10
Regulator(s) of Practice	Le Conseil de L'Ordre des Avocats du Barreau de Djibouti
Contact/URL	Tel. (253) 21.35.01.24 /(253) 77.81.17.73 / Fax: (253) 21.35.06.10
Disciplinary Authorities	Le Conseil de L'Ordre des Avocats du Barreau de Djibouti
Contact/URL	Tel. (253) 21.35.01.24 /(253) 77.81.17.73 / Fax: (253) 21.35.06.10
Other Bodies	The Prosecutor General to the court of appeal of Djibouti
Contact/URL	Palais De Justice Boulevard de la République Tel : (00253) 21.32.69.00 Tel : (00253) 21.32.69.21
Primary Legislative Source	Loi n°236/AN/87/1ère L relative à la profession d'Avocat
URL	http://www.ccd.dj/i/upload/textes/juridiques/professions-liberales.pdf

## DOMINICA\*

Legal Jurisdiction	Commonwealth of Dominica
Lawyer Title(s)	Lawyer
Regulator(s) of Admission	Dominica Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://www.oecs.org/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Dominica Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://www.oecs.org/
Disciplinary Authorities Contact/URL	Dominica Bar Association <a href="http://www.oecs.org/">http://www.oecs.org/</a>

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

## **DOMINICAN REPUBLIC**

Legal Jurisdiction	Dominican Republic
Lawyer Title(s)	Abogado/a
Regulator(s) of Admission	Suprema Corte de Justicia and Colegio de Abogados
Contact/URL	http://www.poderjudicial.gob.do/servicios/req_juram_abogado.aspx
Regulator(s) of Practice	Colegio de Abogados de la República Dominicana
Contact/URL	https://www.facebook.com/colegioabogados/info?tab=overview
Disciplinary Authorities	The Tribunal Disciplinario of the Colegio de Abogados acts as a disciplinary jurisdiction of first instance; and the Supreme Cout, as a court appeals.
Contact/URL	http://www.poderjudicial.gob.do/servicios/req_juram_abogado.aspx
Primary Legislative Source	LEY 91, QUE INSTITUYE EL COLEGIO DE ABOGADOS DE LA REPÚBLICA G.O. 960
URL	http://www.comisionadodejusticia.gob.do/phocadownload/Biblioteca_Virtual/Abogados/Ley%2091,%20instituye%20Colegio%20Abogados%20de%20la%20Republica%20Dominicana.pdf

## **ECUADOR**

Ecuador
Abogado/a
Lawyers Forum (attached to the Judiciary Council)
http://app.funcionjudicial.gob.ec/ForoAbogados/Inicio/frmInicio.jspn
Judiciary Council
http://www.funcionjudicial.gob.ec
Judiciary Council Provincial Authority Office
http://www.funcionjudicial-pichincha.gob.ec/
Provincial Lawyers Board - Equivalent to "Bar Association". Pichincha and Guayas are the main ones.
http://www.colabpi.pro.ec/ http://www.colegiodeabogadosdelguayas.com/
Organic Code on the Judiciary Power
http://www.derechoecuador.com/legislacion

## **EGYPT\***

Legal Jurisdiction	Egypt
Lawyer Title(s)	Lawyer
Regulator(s) of Admission	Egyptian Bar Association
Contact/URL	Egyptian Bar Association, 49a Ramses Street, Cario, Egypt, Tel: 10(202) 451-360, Fax: 10(202) 747-488
Regulator(s) of Practice	Ministry of Justice
Contact/URL	http://www.jp.gov.eg/ar/Default.aspx
Disciplinary Authorities	Ministry of Justice
Contact/URL	http://www.jp.gov.eg/ar/Default.aspx
Other Bodies	Egyptian Bar Association
Contact/URL	Egyptian Bar Association, 49a Ramses Street, Cario, Egypt, Tel: 10(202) 451-360, Fax: 10(202) 747-488
Primary Legislative Source	The Advocates Law 197/2008 (amending Law No 17/1983)

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

## **EL SALVADOR**

Legal Jurisdiction	El Salvador
Lawyer Title(s)	Abogado/a (lawyer)
Regulator(s) of Admission	Corte Suprema de Justica
Contact/URL	http://csj.gob.sv/idioma.html
Regulator(s) of Practice	Corte Suprema de Justica
Contact/URL	http://csj.gob.sv/idioma.html
Disciplinary Authorities	Seccion de Investigacion Profesional de Corte Supreme de Justica
Contact/URL	http://csj.gov.sv/inv_prof/profesional_01.htm
Primary Legislative Source	1) Constitucion de la Republica de El Salvador (1983, 2014); 2) Ley Organica Judicial (1984, 2015)
URL	1)http://www.asamblea.gob.sv/eparlamento/indice-legislativo/buscador-de-documentos-legislativos/constitucion-de-la-republica 2)http://www.asamblea.gob.sv/eparlamento/indice-legislativo/buscador-de-documentos-legislativos/ley-organica-judicial

## **ESTONIA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Estonia
Lawyer Title(s)	Vandeaddvokaat; Vandeadvokaadi
Regulator(s) of Admission	The Estonian Bar Association licenses individual lawyers. There is no separate licensing process for law firms.
Contact/URL	https://www.advokatuur.ee/eng/frontpage
Regulator(s) of Practice	Estonian Bar Association
Contact/URL	https://www.advokatuur.ee/eng/frontpage
Disciplinary Authorities	The Court of Ethics (Court of Honour) of the Estonian Bar Association
Contact/URL	https://www.advokatuur.ee/eng/frontpage
Primary Legislative Source	The Bar Association Act March 21 2001
URL	https://www.riigiteataja.ee/en/eli/ee/510072014006/consolide#

# FIJI

Legal Jurisdiction	Fiji
Lawyer Title(s)	Legal practitioner
Regulator(s) of Admission	Chief Registrar of the High Court of Fiji Board of Legal Education
Contact/URL	http://www.judiciary.gov.fj/index.php/judicial-department/legal-practitioners- unit
Regulator(s) of Practice	Chief Registrar of the High Court of Fiji
Contact/URL	http://www.judiciary.gov.fj/
Disciplinary Authorities	Chief Registrar and the Legal Practitioners Unit Independent Legal Services Commission
Contact/URL	http://www.judiciary.gov.fj/index.php/judicial-department/legal-practitioners- unit
Other Bodies	Fiji Law Society
Contact/URL	http://www.paclii.org/other/law-societies.html
Primary Legislative Source	Legal Practitioners Decree 2009 Trust Accounts Act 2006
URL	http://www.paclii.org/fj/promu/promu_dec/lpd2009220/ http://www.paclii.org/fj/legis/num_act/taa1996202/

## **FINLAND**

Legal Jurisdiction	Finland
Lawyer Title(s)	Advokar Asianajaja
Regulator(s) of Admission	The Finnish Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://www.asianajajat.fi/english
Regulator(s) of Practice	The Finnish Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://www.asianajajat.fi/english
Disciplinary Authorities	Disciplinary Board of the Finnish Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://www.valvontalautakunta.fi/valvontalautakunta/in_english
Primary Legislative Source	Advocates act (laki asianajajista) 12 December 1958
URL	http://www.asianajajaliitto.fi/files/1056/A_01_Advocates_Act_2011_Janua ry_2013.pdf

## FRANCE\*

Legal Jurisdiction	France
Lawyer Title(s)	Avocat
Regulator(s) of Admission	Licences to practice in France are issued by local Bar Associations (see the Conseil National des Barreaux for details www.CNB.avocat.fr).
Contact/URL	http://cnb.avocat.fr/
Regulator(s) of Practice	The Conseil National des Barreaux
Contact/URL	http://cnb.avocat.fr/
Disciplinary Authorities	The prosecuting authority is the President of the association, who receives the complaints, and, if necessary, handles them by conducting an ethics-based inquiry into the alleged facts, or the Attorney General of the Court of Appeal.
Contact/URL	http://cnb.avocat.fr/Being-a-Lawyer-in-France-Professional-Regulations- Obligations_a1741.html
Other Bodies	It should be noted that the Code of Conduct for Lawyers in the European Community, which applies to cross-border activities within the EU, and was adopted in Strasbourg in 1988 by the Council of Bars and Law Societies of Europe, was incorporated into the RINs, and is, therefore mandatory for all French attorneys.
Contact/URL	http://cnb.avocat.fr/Reglement-Interieur-National-de-la-profession-d-avocat-RIN_a281.html#CDAE
Primary Legislative Source	The legal profession is governed primarily by Act 90-1259 of December 31, 1990, which amends Act 71-1130 of December 31, 1971, and by its Implementing Decree 91-1197 of November 27, 1991.
URL	http://www.legifrance.gouv.fr/affichTexte.do?cidTexte=JORFTEXT000000 356568

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

## FYROM\*

Legal Jurisdiction	Republic of Macedonia
Lawyer Title(s)	Lawyer
Regulator(s) of Admission	Register of Attorneys of the Bar Association of the Republic of Macedonia
Contact/URL	http://creativa5.com/dev/mba.org.mk/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Macedonian Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://creativa5.com/dev/mba.org.mk/
Disciplinary Authorities	Disciplinary proceedings are carried out by the Bar Association of the Republic of Macedonia
Contact/URL	http://creativa5.com/dev/mba.org.mk/
Other Bodies	
Contact/URL	
Primary Legislative Source	Law on Advocacy
URL	http://creativa5.com/dev/mba.org.mk/?page_id=1274

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#### **GABON**

Legal Jurisdiction	Gabon	
Lawyer Title(s)	Avocat	
Regulator(s) of Admission	Conseil de l'Ordre des Avocats du Gabon	
Contact/URL	Conseil de l'Ordre des Avocats du Gabon BP143 Libreville Gabon Tel : 00 241 24 94 94 Facsmile : 00 241 74 70 31 barreaudugabon@yahoo.fr	
Regulator(s) of Practice	Conseil de l'Ordre des Avocats du Gabon	
Contact/URL	Conseil de l'Ordre des Avocats du Gabon BP143 Libreville Gabon Tel : 00 241 24 94 94 Facsmile : 00 241 74 70 31 barreaudugabon@yahoo.fr	
Disciplinary Authorities	Conseil de l'Ordre des Avocats du Gabon	
Contact/URL	Conseil de l'Ordre des Avocats du Gabon BP143 Libreville Gabon Tel : 00 241 24 94 94 Facsmile : 00 241 74 70 31 barreaudugabon@yahoo.fr	
Primary Legislative Source	Loi n°013/2014 du 07 janvier 2015 fixant le cadre d'exercice de la profession d'avocat en République Gabonaise	
URL	www.economie.gouv.ga/object.getObject.do?id=1051	

## **GAMBIA**

Legal Jurisdiction	The Gambia	
Lawyer Title(s)	Legal Practitioners	
Regulator(s) of Admission	General Legal Council (Chief Justice, Attorney General, nominees of the Gambian Bar Association plus some other members)	
Contact/URL	http://www.gls.gm/staff/general-legal-council/	
Regulator(s) of Practice	General Legal Council	
Contact/URL	http://www.gls.gm/staff/general-legal-council/	
Disciplinary Authorities	Disciplinary Committee of the General Legal Council	
Contact/URL	http://www.gls.gm/staff/general-legal-council/	
Other Bodies	The court of appeal and courts of the Gambia at large (superior courts, high courts, magistrates courts)	
Contact/URL	http://www.gov.gm/judiciary/	
Primary Legislative Source	The Legal Practitioners Act 1985	

## **GEORGIA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Georgia	
Lawyer Title(s)	Advocate	
Regulator(s) of Admission	Individuals are licensed by the Georgian Bar Association.	
Contact/URL	http://gba.ge/ka/349/	
Regulator(s) of Practice	Georgian Bar Association	
Contact/URL	http://gba.ge/ka/349/	
Disciplinary Authorities	Disciplinary Chamber of the Supreme Court	
Contact/URL	http://gba.ge/ka/394/	
Other Bodies	Georgian Bar Association's Executive Board. As well as working group on the "Law on advocates" of Georgia. Above mentioned group is composed of executive board and Ethics Commission members of GBA	
Contact/URL	http://gba.ge/en/contact/	
Primary Legislative Source	The Law "On Advocates" adopted on 20 June 2001	
URL	http://gba.ge/en/379/	

#### **GERMANY**

Legal Jurisdiction	Germany
Lawyer Title(s)	Rechtsanwalt; Syndikusrechtsanwalt (in-house lawyer)
Regulator(s) of Admission	Authorisation to practise is given by the 27 regional bars (Rechtsanwaltskammern - RAK) or the Bar of the Federal Supreme Court (Bundesgerichtshof BGH)
Contact/URL	www.brak.de/die-brak/regionale-kammern/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Regulatory functions are carried out by the regional bars which are self-regulatory bodies (legally) supervised by the ministry of Justice of the particular state (Bundesland) to which they belong. The Statutory Assembly of lawyers (Satzungsversammlung bei der Bundesrechtsanwaltskammer) holds the power to decide upon and issue professional practice regulations. The German legislator is resonsible for regulating the legal profession as such.
Contact/URL	www.brak.de/die-brak/regionale-kammern/
Disciplinary Authorities	Disciplinary functions are dealt with in the first instance by the regional Bars. All decisions relating to the conduct of lawyers may be referred to the special disciplinary courts (Anwaltsgericht, Anwaltsgerichtshof, Senat fur Anwaltssachen beim Bundesgerichtshof).
Contact/URL	www.brak.de/die-brak/regionale-kammern/
Other Bodies	Bundesgerichtshof (Bar at the Federal Supreme Court)
Contact/URL	http://www.bundesgerichtshof.de/EN/Home/home_node.html
Primary Legislative Source	Federal Lawyers' Ordnance ("Bundesrechtsanwaltsordnung", BRAO), 31.08.2015; Rules of Professional Practice (Berufsordnung fur Rechtsanwalte, BORA), 01.07.2015; Law regulating the activity of European lawyers in Germany (Gesetz uber die Tatigkeit europaischer Rechtsanwalte in Deutschland, EuRAG), 31.08.2015
URL	http://www.brak.de/w/files/02 fuer anwaelte/berufsrecht

#### **GHANA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Ghana
Lawyer Title(s)	Lawyer, Legal Practitioner, Solicitor, Barrister
Regulator(s) of Admission	General Legal Council
Contact/URL	www.glc.gov.gh/
Regulator(s) of Practice	General Legal Council
Contact/URL	www.glc.gov.gh/
Disciplinary Authorities	Disciplinary Committee of the General Legal Council
Contact/URL	www.glc.gov.gh/
Other Bodies	Ghana Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://www.ghanabar.org/2271-2/
Primary Legislative Source	Legal Profession Act 1960, Act 32
URL	www.glc.gov.gh/

#### **GREECE\***

Legal Jurisdiction	Greece
Lawyer Title(s)	Δικηγόρος (Dikegoros)
Regulator(s) of Admission	The local Greek Bar Associations issue licences to lawyers and register law firms.
Contact/URL	http://www.dsa.gr
Regulator(s) of Practice	Lawyers are organized in sixty-three (63) local bar associations (one for the territorial jurisdiction of each court of first instance) the presidents of which form the Council of Presidents (olomeleia proedron dikigorikon sillogon ellados), as there is no national Bar. They create the Code of Conduct while the government creates the official legislation.
Disciplinary Authorities	Each of the local Bars in Greece is a self-regulatory disciplinary body, and has its own Disciplinary Board of Lawyers.
Primary Legislative Source	Law no. 3026/54 (Lawyers code) as amended by law no. 3919/2011 Special Section B on lawyers and law firms.

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

## **GRENADA\***

Legal Jurisdiction	Grenada
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney-at-Law
Regulator(s) of Admission	Supreme Court of Grenada admits to practice, practicing certificate is awarded by the General Legal Council (The Council) of the Grenada Bar Association.
Contact/URL	http://www.oecsbar.org/index.php/en/
Regulator(s) of Practice	General Legal Council (The Council) of the Grenada Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://www.oecsbar.org/index.php/en/
Disciplinary Authorities	General Legal Council (The Council) of the Grenada Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://www.oecsbar.org/index.php/en/
Other Bodies	Court of Appeals may approve or dismiss an appeal in disciplinary proceedings of an attorney-at-law.
Primary Legislative Source	Legal Profession Act No. 25 of 2011
URL	http://laws.gov.gd/

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

## **GUATEMALA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Guatemala
Lawyer Title(s)	Abogado/a
Regulator(s) of Admission	Colegio de Abogados y Notarios de Guatemala
Contact/URL	http://www.cang.org.gt/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Colegio de Abogados y Notarios de Archivo General de Protocolos Guatemala
Contact/URL	http://www.cang.org.gt/ http://www.oj.gob.gt/archivodeprotocolos/
Disciplinary Authorities	Colegio de Abogados y Notarios de Guatemala
Contact/URL	http://www.cang.org.gt/
Other Bodies	Archivo General de Protocolos
Contact/URL	http://www.oj.gob.gt/archivodeprotocolos/
Primary Legislative Source	Reglamento de Prestaciones Colegio de Abogados y Notarios de Guatemala Estatutos del Colegio de Abogados y Notarios de Guatemala Ley de Colegiación Profesional Obligatoria Decreto 72-2001 Código de Ética Profesional

#### **GUINEA-BISSAU**

Legal Jurisdiction	Guinea-Bissau
Lawyer Title(s)	Advogado
Regulator(s) of Admission	Ordem dos Advogados da Guiné Bissau
Contact/URL	oagbordem@yahoo.com.br Address: Praça dos Heróis Nacionais, Rua Bolama, Caixa Postal 296 - Bissau, Guiné-Bissau Telf. (+245) 95 520 82 88 / (+245) 96 681 32 09
Regulator(s) of Practice	Ordem dos Advogados da Guiné Bissau
Contact/URL	oagbordem@yahoo.com.br Address: Praça dos Heróis Nacionais, Rua Bolama, Caixa Postal 296 - Bissau, Guiné-Bissau Telf. (+245) 95 520 82 88 / (+245) 96 681 32 09
Disciplinary Authorities	Ordem dos Advogados da Guiné Bissau
Contact/URL	oagbordem@yahoo.com.br Address: Praça dos Heróis Nacionais, Rua Bolama, Caixa Postal 296 - Bissau, Guiné-Bissau Telf. (+245) 95 520 82 88 / (+245) 96 681 32 09
Primary Legislative Source	Guinea-Bissau Bar Association Statutes, 1991
URL	http://www.oa.pt/conteudos/artigos/detalhe_artigo.aspx?idc=1&idsc=31088

## **GUYANA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Guyana, Co-operative Republic of	
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney-at-law	
Regulator(s) of Admission	High Court	
Regulator(s) of Practice	Partial self-regulation	
Disciplinary Authorities	Legal Practitioners Committee	
Other Bodies	Guyana Bar Association Lot 39 Brickdam Stabroek Georgetown Demerara, Guyana Tel: +592 226 0478 Fax: +592 225 7996 E-mail: <a href="mailto:thousty@yahoo.com">thousty@yahoo.com</a>	
Primary Legislative Source	No. 26 of 2010 Legal Practitioners Act	
URL	http://www.oas.org/juridico/pdfs/mesicic4_guy_prac.pdf	

## HAITI\*

Legal Jurisdiction	Haiti
Lawyer Title(s)	Avocat
Regulator(s) of Admission	Le Barreau de Haiti
Contact/URL	http://barreau-des-coteaux.haiti.over- blog.com/tag/actualites%20du%20barreau/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Le Barreau de Haiti
Contact/URL	http://barreau-des-coteaux.haiti.over- blog.com/tag/actualites%20du%20barreau/
Disciplinary Authorities	Le Barreau de Haiti
Contact/URL	http://barreau-des-coteaux.haiti.over- blog.com/tag/actualites%20du%20barreau/

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

#### **HONDURAS**

Legal Jurisdiction	Honduras	
Lawyer Title(s)	Abogado/a; Notario/a: Notario es el profesional del derecho con carácter de fe pública, autorizado por el Estado para hacer constar la creación, transmisión, modificación o extinción o resolución de actos, contratos y asuntos o negocios en que intervenga a requerimiento o petición de los interesados o por disposición de la Ley. (Artículo 5 del Código de Notariado)	
Regulator(s) of Admission	Colegio de Abogados de Honduras	
Contact/URL	http://colegiodeabogadosdehonduras.org/aboutus.html	
Regulator(s) of Practice	Colegio de Abogados de Honduras	
Contact/URL	http://colegiodeabogadosdehonduras.org/aboutus.html	
Disciplinary Authorities	Court of Honor of the Colegio de Abogados de Honduras	
Contact/URL	http://colegiodeabogadosdehonduras.org/services.html	
Other Bodies	Código de Etica del Profesional del Derecho	
Contact/URL	http://colegiodeabodgadoshn.com/	
Primary Legislative Source	Código del Notariado, Reglamento del Código de Notariado, Reglamento para Exequatur de Notario, Código de Ética del Profesional del Derecho, Arancel del Profesional del Derecho, Ley Orgánica del Colegio de Abogados	

## **HONG KONG**

Legal Jurisdiction	Hong Kong (China)
Lawyer Title(s)	Solicitor/Barrister
Regulator(s) of Admission	Law Society of Hong Kong and the Court for solicitors Bar Council of Hong Kong for barristers
Contact/URL	www.hklawsoc.org.hk www.hkbar.org.hk
Regulator(s) of Practice	Hong Kong Law Society for Solicitors and Hong Kong Bar Association for Barristers.
Contact/URL	www.hklawsoc.org.hk www.hkbar.org.hk
Disciplinary Authorities	Law Society of Hong Kong and the Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal for Solicitors and Hong Kong Bar Association for Barristers.
Contact/URL	www.hklawsoc.org.hk http://solicitorstribunal.org.hk/ www.hkbar.org.hk
Primary Legislative Source	Legal Practitioners Ordinance (Cap. 159, Laws of Hong Kong) 1997, 2015
URL	http://www.legislation.gov.hk/blis_pdf.nsf/6799165D2FEE3FA94825755E00 33E532/8C36A136C7512797482575EE0046A07F/\$FILE/CAP_159_e_b5. pdf

#### **HUNGARY**

Legal Jurisdiction	Hungary
Lawyer Title(s)	Ügyvéd
Regulator(s) of Admission	The Regional Bar Associations(20) – admission body and keeper of the original regional register The Hungarian Bar Association – keeper of the national register originated from the regional registers
Contact/URL	http://www.magyarugyvedikamara.hu/tart/index/130/1
Regulator(s) of Practice	Hungarian Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://www.magyarugyvedikamara.hu/tart/index/7/1 Contains the links to the Regional Bar Associations
Disciplinary Authorities	The 20 Regional Bar Associations are members of the Hungarian Bar Association have Disciplinary Commissioners investigating complaints and prosecuting lawyers and Disciplinary Committees conducting the disciplinary procedures on first instance (The Disciplinary Commissioners and the Disciplinary Committee of the Hungarian Bar Association are the second instance.).
Contact/URL	http://www.magyarugyvedikamara.hu/tart/index/7/1
Primary Legislative Source	Act XI of 1998 on Attorneys at Law.
URL	http://www.ecovis.hu/angol/Act_XI_of_1998_Attorneys_at_law.pdf

#### **ICELAND\***

Legal Jurisdiction	Iceland
Lawyer Title(s)	Lögmaður
Regulator(s) of Admission	The Ministry of the Interior issues licences to individuals for the right to appear in the District or Supreme Court on fulfilment of the requirements of article 6 of the Act.
Contact/URL	http://eng.innanrikisraduneyti.is/
Regulator(s) of Practice	The Icelandic Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://www.lmfi.is/english/
Disciplinary Authorities	The Board of the Icelandic Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://www.lmfi.is/english/
Primary Legislative Source	Lawyers Profession Act No.77/1999
URL	http://eng.innanrikisraduneyti.is/laws-and- regulations/english/lawyers/nr/1326

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

## INDIA\*

Legal Jurisdiction	India
Lawyer Title(s)	Advocate
Regulator(s) of Admission	Advocates are enrolled by the State Bar in which they practice. There are 19 State Bar Councils across India
Contact/URL	http://www.barcouncilofindia.org/about/state-bar-councils/chairmen-of-state-bar-councils/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Bar Council of India has the task of promulgating ethical rules under the Advocates Act
Contact/URL	http://www.barcouncilofindia.org/
Disciplinary Authorities	Bar Council of India has the task of disciplining Advocates under the Advocates Act
Contact/URL	http://www.barcouncilofindia.org/
Primary Legislative Source	THE ADVOCATES ACT, 1961, ACT NO. 25 OF 1961 [19th May, 1961.]
URL	http://www.barcouncilofindia.org/wp-content/uploads/2010/05/Advocates- Act1961.pdf

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

#### **INDONESIA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Indonesia
Lawyer Title(s)	Advocate
Regulator(s) of Admission	PERADI
Contact/URL	http://www.peradi.or.id/index.php/profil/detail/7
Regulator(s) of Practice	PERADI
Contact/URL	http://www.peradi.or.id/index.php/profil/detail/7
Disciplinary Authorities	PERADI
Contact/URL	http://www.peradi.or.id/index.php/profil/detail/7
Primary Legislative Source	Indonesian Advocates Act (Law No.18 of 2003)
URL	http://www.peradi.or.id/index.php/profil/detail/7

#### IRELAND\*

Legal Jurisdiction	Ireland
Lawyer Title(s)	Solicitor/Barrister
Regulator(s) of Admission	The Law Society of Ireland issues licences to solicitors and the Bar Council licences barristers.
Contact/URL	http://www.lawsociety.ie/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Law Society of Ireland is the regulatory body for solicitors.
Contact/URL	http://www.lawsociety.ie/
Disciplinary Authorities	The Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal is an independent statutory tribunal appointed by the President of the High Court to consider complaints of misconduct against solicitors.
Contact/URL	http://www.distrib.ie/
Primary Legislative Source	Solicitors Act, 1954 as amended by subsequent Acts
URL	http://www.irishstatutebook.ie/eli/2009/si/510/made/en/print

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

## **ISRAEL**

Legal Jurisdiction	Israel
Lawyer Title(s)	Orech Din (Attorney) (singular) Orchei Din (plural)
Regulator(s) of Admission	Israel Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://www.israelbar.org.il/english.asp?catid=372
Regulator(s) of Practice	Israel Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://www.israelbar.org.il/english.asp?catid=372
Disciplinary Authorities	The disciplinary system of the Israel Bar Association is made up of a National Disciplinary Tribunal and five District Disciplinary Tribunals
Contact/URL	http://www.israelbar.org.il/english.asp?catid=372
Other Bodies	According to Clause 109 of the Israeli Bar Law, 1961, the Minister of Justice is responsible for the fulfillment of the Law and has the authority to enact regulations in order to enable the fulfillment of the Law.
Contact/URL	www.justice.gov.il
Primary Legislative Source	BAR ASSOCIATION LAW, 5721 - 1961
URL	http://www.israelbar.org.il/uploadfiles/Bar_Association_Law_english_nov_2 008.doc

## ITALY\*

Legal Jurisdiction	Italy
Lawyer Title(s)	Avvocato
Regulator(s) of Admission	Licences are issued by local bar councils but a national register is maintained by the Consiglio Nazionale Forense
Contact/URL	http://www.consiglionazionaleforense.it
Regulator(s) of Practice	Regulation is managed by the Consiglio Nazionale Forense, but Ministry of Justice also plays a supervisory role.
Contact/URL	http://www.consiglionazionaleforense.it/site/home.html https://www.giustizia.it/giustizia/
Disciplinary Authorities	Initial disciplinary proceedings begin with the local bar councils and then if necessary are passed on the the Consiglio Nazionale Forense.
Other Bodies	Ministry of Justice
Contact/URL	https://www.giustizia.it/giustizia/
Primary Legislative Source	Law no. 247/2012
URL	http://www.consiglionazionaleforense.it/site/home/naviga-per-temi/diario-della-riforma-forense/regolamenti-cnfordinamento-forense.html

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

## **JAMAICA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Jamaica
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney-at-Law
Regulator(s) of Admission	The General Legal Council issues annual practicing certificates
Contact/URL	http://www.generallegalcouncil.org/attorneys/requirements-for-private-practice/practising-certificate-fees/
Regulator(s) of Practice	The General Legal Council
Contact/URL	http://www.generallegalcouncil.org/
Disciplinary Authorities	The Disciplinary Committee of the General Legal Council
Contact/URL	http://www.generallegalcouncil.org/
Primary Legislative Source	The Legal Profession Act, 1972
URL	http://www.moj.gov.jm/sites/default/files/laws/Legal%20profession%20Act.pdf

#### **JAPAN\***

Legal Jurisdiction	Japan
Lawyer Title(s)	Bengoshi
Regulator(s) of Admission	The Japanese Federation of Bar Associations maintains the roll of individual attorneys admitted to practice and their places of work but attorneys and law firms must also register with their local bar associations.
Contact/URL	www.nichibenren.or.jp
Regulator(s) of Practice	The main responsibility for rule-making lies with the JFBA, but each local bar association has the power to admit and register lawyers, establish its own regulations on fees and take disciplinary action against lawyers.
Contact/URL	http://www.nichibenren.or.jp/en/legalinfo/legal.html
Disciplinary Authorities	All disciplinary investigations and actions are carried out by local bar associations (52) upon their members.
Contact/URL	http://www.nichibenren.or.jp/en/legalinfo/legal.html
Other Bodies	
Contact/URL	
Primary Legislative Source	Attorneys Act of 1949, Act No. 205 of 1949
URL	http://www.japaneselawtranslation.go.jp/law/detail/?id=1878&vm=04&re=02

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

## **JORDAN\***

Legal Jurisdiction	Jordan
Lawyer Title(s)	Mohamy (Lawyer)
Regulator(s) of Admission	Bar Council of the Jordanian Bar Association.
Contact/URL	http://www.jba.org.jo/HomePage.aspx
Regulator(s) of Practice	Jordanian Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://www.jba.org.jo/HomePage.aspx
Disciplinary Authorities	Discipline Council of the Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://www.jba.org.jo/HomePage.aspx
Primary Legislative Source	Jordanian Bar Association Law no.11/1972 as amended by Law no.51/1985
URL	http://www.jba.org.jo/HomePage.aspx

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

## KENYA\*

Legal Jurisdiction	Kenya
Lawyer Title(s)	Advocate
Regulator(s) of Admission	Chief Justice of the High Court receives and approves advocate applications. Registrar then issues practice certificates.
Contact/URL	http://www.judiciary.go.ke/portal/page/office-of-the-chief-justice
Regulator(s) of Practice	The Advocates Act permits the Council of the Law Society of Kenya, with the approval of the Chief Justice, to set rules and regulate practice.
Contact/URL	http://www.lsk.or.ke/index.php/our-organisational-structure
Disciplinary Authorities	Disciplinary Committee/Complaints Commission [Art. 53 of the Advocates Act]
Contact/URL	http://www.lsk.or.ke/index.php/for-the-public
Primary Legislative Source	Advocates Act 2000
URL	http://kenya.eregulations.org/media/AdvocatesAct18of1989.pdf

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

# **SOUTH KOREA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Korea (Republic of)
Lawyer Title(s)	Byunhosa - attorney at law
Regulator(s) of Admission	Korean Bar Association and local bar associations
Contact/URL	http://www.koreanbar.or.kr/eng/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Korean Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://www.koreanbar.or.kr/eng/
Disciplinary Authorities	Korean Bar Association and Ministry of Justice
Contact/URL	http://www.koreanbar.or.kr/eng/ http://www.moj.go.kr/HP/ENG/index.do
Primary Legislative Source	Attorney-at-law Act (as amended latest version 2015)
URL	http://elaw.klri.re.kr/eng_service/lawView.do?hseq=25581⟨=ENG

# **KUWAIT\***

Legal Jurisdiction	Kuwait
Lawyer Title(s)	Lawyer
Regulator(s) of Admission	Both individuals and lawyers wishing to open law firms must register with the Kuwaiti Lawyers Association.
Contact/URL	www.kls.org.kw
Regulator(s) of Practice	Kuwait Lawyers Association
Contact/URL	<u>www.kls.org.kw</u>
Disciplinary Authorities	Kuwait Lawyers Association
Contact/URL	www.kls.org.kw
Primary Legislative Source	Law on the Organization of the Legal Profession before the Courts no. 42 of 1964

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

### **KYRGYZSTAN**

Legal Jurisdiction	Kyrgyzstan
Lawyer Title(s)	Advocate
Regulator(s) of Admission	Advocate's licences are issued by the Ministry of Justice of the Kyrgyz Republic.
Contact/URL	http://minjust.gov.kg/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Ministry of Justice
Contact/URL	http://minjust.gov.kg/
Disciplinary Authorities	Ministry of Justice 2) Commission on Ethics of the Advocateship of the Kyrgyz Republic
Contact/URL	http://minjust.gov.kg/ http://advokatura.kg/
Other Bodies	Advocateship of the Kyrgyz Republic
Contact/URL	http://advokatura.kg/
Primary Legislative Source	The Law "On Advocatship of the Kyrgyz Republic and the advocate's activity" (the "Law on Advocacy")
URL	http://advokatura.kg/

# LAOS

Legal Jurisdiction	Lao People's Democratic Republic
Lawyer Title(s)	ທະນາຍຄວາມ (thanaikhuaam/attorney)
Regulator(s) of Admission	The Ministry of Justice issues licences to attorneys on the recommendation of the Lao Bar
Contact/URL	<u>contact@vlaw.la</u>
Regulator(s) of Practice	Lao Bar Association
Contact/URL	<u>contact@vlaw.la</u>
Disciplinary Authorities	Lao Bar and Ministry of Justice
Contact/URL	contact@vlaw.la
Primary Legislative Source	Attorney Law 21.12.2011
URL	http://laoofficialgazette.gov.la/index.php?r=site/index

# **LATVIA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Latvia
Lawyer Title(s)	Zvērināts advokāts (Sworn advocate)
Regulator(s) of Admission	The Latvian Council of Sworn Advocates.
Contact/URL	http://www.advokatura.lv/?lang=eng
Regulator(s) of Practice	The Latvian Council of Sworn Advocates.
Contact/URL	http://www.advokatura.lv/?lang=eng
Disciplinary Authorities	The Disciplinary Proceedings Commission of the Latvian Council of Sworn Advocates.
Contact/URL	http://www.advokatura.lv/?lang=eng
Other Bodies	The Ethics Commission of the Latvian Council of Sworn Advocates
Contact/URL	http://www.advokatura.lv/?lang=eng
Primary Legislative Source	The Law On the Bar of the Republic of Latvia April 27, 1993.
URL	http://www.advokatura.lv/?open=eng⁢=bar⟨=eng

# LESOTHO\*

Legal Jurisdiction	Lesotho
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney
Regulator(s) of Admission	High Court of Lesotho
Contact/URL	http://www.lesotholii.org/content/high-court
Regulator(s) of Practice	High Court and the Law Society
Contact/URL	http://www.lesotholii.org/content/high-court
Disciplinary Authorities	High Court and Law Society
Contact/URL	http://www.lesotholii.org/content/high-court
Primary Legislative Source	Legal Practitioners Act 1983
URL	http://www.lesotholii.org/ls/legislation/act/1983/11

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

# LIECHTENSTEIN\*

Legal Jurisdiction	Liechtenstein
Lawyer Title(s)	Rechtsanwalt
Regulator(s) of Admission	The Financial Markets Authority maintains the register for individuals and law firms
Contact/URL	https://www.fma-li.li/en/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Liechtenstein Bar Association: http://www.lirak.li/
Contact/URL	http://www.lirak.li/
Disciplinary Authorities	Liechtenstein Bar Association
Contact/URL	<u>www.lirak.li</u>
Primary Legislative Source	Rechtsanwaltsgesetz (RAG) 8 December 1992
URL	http://www.lirak.li/clientuploads/docs/gesetze/RAG01.09.2008.pdf

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

### **LITHUANIA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Lithuania
Lawyer Title(s)	Advokatas
Regulator(s) of Admission	Lithuanian Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://www.advoco.lt/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Lithuanian Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://www.advoco.lt/
Disciplinary Authorities	Lithuanian Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://www.advoco.lt/
Other Bodies	Ministry of Justice
Contact/URL	http://www.tm.lt/
Primary Legislative Source	Law on the Bar 18 March 2004 No IX-2066 published in Official Gazette 2004, No. 50-1632.
URL	http://www3.lrs.lt/pls/inter3/dokpaieska.showdoc l?p id=474127&p tr2=2

# LUXEMBOURG\*

Legal Jurisdiction	Luxembourg
Lawyer Title(s)	Avocat/ Rechtsanwalt
Regulator(s) of Admission	President of the Bar Association and the Conseil de l'ordre (Council do the Bar Association)
Contact/URL	http://www.barreau.lu/
Regulator(s) of Practice	President of the Bar Association and the Conseil de l'ordre (Council do the Bar Association)
Contact/URL	http://www.barreau.lu/
Disciplinary Authorities	President of the Bar Association and the Disciplinary and Administrative Board
Contact/URL	http://www.barreau.lu/
Primary Legislative Source	Legal Profession Act of 10 August 1991 (Loi sur la profession d'avocat) modified by the Act concerning the exercise of legal profession under the form of a legal entity (Loi concernant l'exercice de la profession d'avocat sous forme d'une personne morale) of 16 December 2011.

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

### **MADAGASCAR**

Legal Jurisdiction	Madagascar
Lawyer Title(s)	Avocat
Regulator(s) of Admission	Le Conseil de l'Ordre
Contact/URL	http://www.barreau-de-madagascar.org/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Le Conseil de l'Ordre
Contact/URL	http://www.barreau-de-madagascar.org/
Disciplinary Authorities	Le Conseil de l'Ordre
Contact/URL	http://www.barreau-de-madagascar.org/
Other Bodies	La Cour d'Appel d'Antananarivo
Primary Legislative Source	Loi no. 2001-006 du 9 Avril 2003 sur la profession des Avocats
URL	http://barreau-de-madagascar.org/sites/default/files/Loi-2001-006-sur-la-profession-d-avocat.pdf

### **MALAWI\***

Legal Jurisdiction	Malawi
Lawyer Title(s)	Legal Practitioner
Regulator(s) of Admission	Chief Justice; Malawi Law Society; Ministry of Justice and Constitutional Affairs (Attorney General)
Contact/URL	http://www.judiciary.mw/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=67&Itemid=244 http://www.judiciary.mw/# http://www.malawilawsociety.net/ www.justice.gov.mw/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Ministry of Justice and Constitutional Affairs (Attorney General); Malawi Law Society
Contact/URL	http://www.judiciary.mw/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=67&Itemid=244 http://www.malawilawsociety.net/ www.justice.gov.mw/
Disciplinary Authorities	High Court of Malawi; Ministry of Justice and Constitutional Affairs (Attorney General); Malawi Law Society
Contact/URL	http://www.judiciary.mw/# www.justice.gov.mw/ http://www.malawilawsociety.net/
Primary Legislative Source	Legal Education and Legal Practitioners Act, 1989
URL	http://www.malawilii.org/mw/legislation/consolidated-act/3-04

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

### **MALAYSIA\***

Legal Jurisdiction	Malaya (West Malaysia) and East Malaysia
Lawyer Title(s)	Advocate/Solicitor
Regulator(s) of	Registrar of the High Court of Malaya for West Malaysia.
Admission	Registrars for the High Courts of Sabah and Sarawak for East Malaysia.
Regulator(s) of Practice	West Malaysia: Advocates and solicitors in West Malaysia are required to observe rules for regulating the professional practice, etiquette, conduct and discipline made by the Bar Council, (eg the Legal Profession Practice and Etiquette Rules)
	East Malaysia: In Sabah and Sarawak, The Chief Judge of the High Court of Sabah and the Chief Justice of the High Court of Sarawak respectively, are empowered to make rules regulating the practice and etiquette of the profession in the relevant state, the method for the keeping of accounts and disciplinary proceedings.
Contact/URL	The Malaysian Bar Website <a href="http://www.malaysianbar.org.my/governing_laws/">http://www.malaysianbar.org.my/governing_laws/</a>
	Sabah Law Association Website <a href="http://www.sabahbar.org.my">http://www.sabahbar.org.my</a>
	Advocates' Association of Sarawak <a href="http://www.sarawak-advocates.org.my">http://www.sarawak-advocates.org.my</a>
Disciplinary Authorities	West Malaysia: The Bar Council handles all matters pertaining to disciplinary investigations and actions.
	East Malaysia: In Sabah and Sarawak, the Chief Judge of the High Court of Sabah and the Chief Justice of the High Court of Sarawak handle all disciplinary proceedings.
Contact/URL	The Malaysian Bar Website <a href="http://www.malaysianbar.org.my/governing_laws/">http://www.malaysianbar.org.my/governing_laws/</a>
	Sabah Law Association Website <a href="http://www.sabahbar.org.my">http://www.sabahbar.org.my</a>
	Advocates' Association of Sarawak <a href="http://www.sarawak-advocates.org.my">http://www.sarawak-advocates.org.my</a>
Primary Legislative Source	The Legal Profession Act 1976 ("LPA") generally governs the legal practice in West Malaysia.
	Practice in Sabah and Sarawak is governed respectively by the Advocate Ordinance Sabah 1953 and the Advocate Ordinance Sarawak 1953.

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

# MALI

Legal Jurisdiction	Mali
Lawyer Title(s)	Avocat
Regulator(s) of Admission	Conseil de l'Ordre des Avocats du Mali
Contact/URL	Conseil de l'Ordre des Avocats du Mali BP E 2231 Bamako Mali Tel. 00 223 222 78 63 Facsmile. 00 223 202 18 508 <a href="mailto:barreau-mali@afribonr.net.mt">barreau-mali@afribonr.net.mt</a>
Regulator(s) of Practice	Conseil de l'Ordre des Avocats du Mali
Contact/URL	Conseil de l'Ordre des Avocats du Mali BP E 2231 Bamako Mali Tel. 00 223 222 78 63 Facsmile. 00 223 202 18 508 <a href="mailto:barreau-mali@afribonr.net.mt">barreau-mali@afribonr.net.mt</a>
Disciplinary Authorities	Conseil de l'Ordre des Avocats du Mali
Contact/URL	Conseil de l'Ordre des Avocats du Mali BP E 2231 Bamako Mali Tel. 00 223 222 78 63 Facsmile. 00 223 202 18 508 <a href="mailto:barreau-mali@afribonr.net.mt">barreau-mali@afribonr.net.mt</a>
Primary Legislative Source	Loi n°94-042 portant création et organisation de la profession d'Avocat

# MALTA

Legal Jurisdiction	Malta
Lawyer Title(s)	Avakut (Advocate)
Regulator(s) of Admission	Chamber of Advocates
Contact/URL	http://www.avukati.org/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Chamber of Advocates, Commission for the Administration of Justice
Contact/URL	Marie Therese Cuschieri marietherese@avukati.org +35621248601
Disciplinary Authorities	Committee for Advocates and Legal Procurators, Commission for the Administration of Justice
Contact/URL	http://www.judiciarymalta.gov.mt/commission-for-the
Primary Legislative Source	The Legal Profession (Advocates) Regulation Act, 2012. *Note: This bill is not yet in force. It is envisaged that the bll shall be enacted into law in the coming months.
URL	http://justiceservices.gov.mt/DownloadDocument.aspx?app=lp&itemid=23 966&l=1

# **MAURITANIA\***

Legal Jurisdiction	Mauritania
Lawyer Title(s)	Avocat
Regulator(s) of Admission	Ordre National des Avocats
Contact/URL	http://www.onamauritanie.mr/fr/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Ordre National des Avocats
Contact/URL	http://www.onamauritanie.mr/fr/
Disciplinary Authorities	Ordre National des Avocats
Contact/URL	http://www.onamauritanie.mr/fr/
Primary Legislative Source	Loi n° :95-24 du 19 juillet 1995 abrogeant et remplaçant l'ordonnance 86- 112 du 12 juillet 1986 portant institution de l'ordre national des avocats.

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

### **MAURITIUS\***

Legal Jurisdiction	Republic of Mauritius
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney/barrister
Regulator(s) of Admission	Council of Vocational Legal Education, Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://supremecourt.govmu.org/scourt/pub/siteMap.jsp
Regulator(s) of Practice	Code of Ethics promulgated by the Mauritius Law Society.
Contact/URL	Advocates' Association of Sarawak – <a href="http://www.sarawak-advocates.org.my">http://www.sarawak-advocates.org.my</a>
Disciplinary Authorities	Mauritius Law Society
Contact/URL	http://www.mauritiuslawsociety.com/
Primary Legislative Source	Law Practitioners Act 1984 (amended 2011)
URL	http://www.mauritiuslawsociety.com/documents-of-mls/law-practitioners-act

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

# **MEXICO**

Legal Jurisdiction	Mexico
Lawyer Title(s)	Abogado/a (lawyer); Licenciado/a en Derecho
Regulator(s) of Admission	Ministry of Public Education through the General Office of Professions
Contact/URL	http://www.sep.gob.mx/wb/sep1/sep1 Direccion General de Profesione s_#.VmDC43YrKUk
Regulator(s) of Practice	Mexican Bar Association (Barra Mexicana Colegio de Abogados) Illustrious and National College of Attorneys (Ilustre y Nacional Colegio de Abogados)
Contact/URL	http://www.bma.org.mx/index.php http://www.incam.org/
Disciplinary Authorities	Honour Tribunal of the Mexican Bar Association, but MBA is voluntary. Mexican Prosecutor and Judiciary (in cases of crimes related to advocacy practice)
Contact/URL	http://www.bma.org.mx/index.php
Primary Legislative Source	The Federal Law on the Practice of Professions in the Federal District (Ley Reglamentaria del Artículo 5o. Constitucional, Relativo al Ejercicio de las Profesiones en el Distrito Federal). 1945, revised 2010.
URL	http://www.diputados.gob.mx/LeyesBiblio/pdf/208.pdf

### **MOLDOVA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Moldova
Lawyer Title(s)	Avocat
Regulator(s) of Admission	Advocates Licensing Commission of Moldovan Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://www.avocatul.md/comisia-de-licentiere-a-profesiei-de-avocat
Regulator(s) of Practice	Moldovan Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://www.avocatul.md/
Disciplinary Authorities	The Commission for Ethics and Discipline of Moldovan Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://www.avocatul.md/comisia-pentru-etica-si-disciplina
Primary Legislative Source	The Law On Legal Profession of 19 July 2002 as last amended in 7 December 2012

# **MONTENEGRO\***

Legal Jurisdiction	Montenegro
Lawyer Title(s)	Advocate
Regulator(s) of Admission	Advokatska Komora Crne Gore (Bar Association of Montenegro)
Contact/URL	http://www.advokatskakomora.me/naslovna.html
Regulator(s) of Practice	Advokatska Komora Crne Gore (Bar Association of Montenegro)
Contact/URL	http://www.advokatskakomora.me/naslovna.html
Disciplinary Authorities	Advokatska Komora Crne Gore (Bar Association of Montenegro)
Contact/URL	http://www.advokatskakomora.me/naslovna.html

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

# MOROCCO\*

Legal Jurisdiction	Morocco
Lawyer Title(s)	Avocat
Regulator(s) of Admission	Registration of both individual lawyers and law firms is undertaken by the relevant local Bar Associations (Ordres des Avocats).
Contact/URL	The largest are: Ordre des Avocats, 94, rue Prince Moulay Abdallah, Casablanca, Maroc (Tél. 00 212 22 27 71 06) Ordre des Avocats Cour d'Appel de Rabat, Rabat, Maroc (Tél. 00 212 37 76 41 23 - 00 212 37 72 39 60
Regulator(s) of Practice	Local Bar Associations
Contact/URL	The largest are: Ordre des Avocats, 94, rue Prince Moulay Abdallah, Casablanca, Maroc (Tél. 00 212 22 27 71 06) Ordre des Avocats Cour d'Appel de Rabat, Rabat, Maroc (Tél. 00 212 37 76 41 23 - 00 212 37 72 39 60
Disciplinary Authorities	Local Bar Associations
Contact/URL	The largest are: Ordre des Avocats, 94, rue Prince Moulay Abdallah, Casablanca, Maroc (Tél. 00 212 22 27 71 06) Ordre des Avocats Cour d'Appel de Rabat, Rabat, Maroc (Tél. 00 212 37 76 41 23 - 00 212 37 72 39 60
Primary Legislative Source	Dahir (Royal Decree) n° 1-08-101 on Law no. 28-08 of 20 October 2008 on 'Organising the exercise of the lawyer's profession'
URL	http://www.justice.gov.ma/lg-1/metiers/metier-7.aspx#av1

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

# **MOZAMBIQUE\***

Legal Jurisdiction	Mozambique
Lawyer Title(s)	Lawyer
Regulator(s) of Admission	Mozambique Bar Association (Ordem dos Advogados de Moçambique)
Contact/URL	http://www.oam.org.mz/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Mozambique Bar Association (Ordem dos Advogados de Moçambique)
Contact/URL	http://www.oam.org.mz/
Disciplinary Authorities	Mozambique Bar Association (Ordem dos Advogados de Moçambique)
Contact/URL	http://www.oam.org.mz/wp-content/Docs/2-Regulamento/Regulamento- Disciplinar.pdf
Primary Legislative Source	Law on the Bar Association Law no. 7/94 of 14 September 1994 (Updatad 30/9/09)
URL	http://www.oam.org.mz/leis-e-normas/

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

# **MYANMAR**

Legal Jurisdiction	Myanmar
Lawyer Title(s)	Advocate: A Higher Grade Pleaders after three years of practice may apply to the Myanmar Bar Council to become an Advocate. Higher Grade Pleader: A Higher Grade Pleader is entitled to practise in all Civil and Criminal Courts subordinate to the High Courts.
Regulator(s) of Admission	Practising certificates are issued by Myanmar Bar Council. The administration of practising certificates is carried out by the administration office of the Supreme Court based in Nay Pyi Taw.
Contact/URL	http://www.unionsupremecourt.gov.mm/
Regulator(s) of Practice	The Myanmar Bar Council is the regulatory body. The Supreme Court of Myanmar produces and maintain the Court Manual.
Contact/URL	http://www.unionsupremecourt.gov.mm/
Disciplinary Authorities	The Myanmar Bar Council.
Other Bodies	There are a number of bar associations but these associations do not have regulatory powers derived from statutes.
Primary Legislative Source	The Bar Council Act 1929 The Law Amending the Bar Council Act (1989) The Legal Practitioners Act 1880.

# NAMIBIA\*

Legal Jurisdiction	Namibia
Lawyer Title(s)	Legal Practitioner
Regulator(s) of Admission	Law Society of Namibia
Contact/URL	http://lawsocietynamibia.org/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Law Society of Namibia
Contact/URL	http://lawsocietynamibia.org/
Disciplinary Authorities	Law Society of Namibia. Ethical Code includes the Legal Practitioners Act and the Rules of the Law Society of Namibia
Contact/URL	http://lawsocietynamibia.org/
Primary Legislative Source	LEGAL PRACTITIONERS ACT 15 OF 1995 (as amended 1997 and 2002)
URL	http://lawsocietynamibia.org/content/tariffs/regularoty/amended- practitioners-act

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

# **NEPAL**

Legal Jurisdiction	Nepal
Lawyer Title(s)	Baristha Adhivakta (Senior Advocate) Adhivakta (Advocate) Abhivakta (Pleader) Abhikarta (Agent) The first two categories of legal practitioners can appear and argue before any court including Supreme Court. The later two can appear before up to Court of Appeal excluding the Supreme Court.
Regulator(s) of Admission	Nepal Bar Council
Contact/URL	http://www.nepalbar.org/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Nepal Bar Council
Contact/URL	http://www.nepalbar.org/
Disciplinary Authorities	Nepal Bar Council
Contact/URL	http://www.nepalbar.org/
Primary Legislative Source	Nepal Bar Council Act 2050 [1993]
URL	http://www.lawcommission.gov.np/index.php?option=com_remository&func =fileinfo&id=599&Itemid=14⟨=en

### **NETHERLANDS**

Legal Jurisdiction	Netherlands
Lawyer Title(s)	Advocaat (registered lawyer) Notaris/Kandidaat Notaris (civil law notary) The Netherlands Bar has no responsibility for civil law notaries. Their professional organization is the KNB (http://www.knb.nl/homepage) and their regulator is the BFT (www.bureauft.nl)
Regulator(s) of Admission	A advocaat is sworn in by the one of the 11 courts. Before being sworn in the advocaat has to provide the local Bar council all information required by law (article 2 of the Act on Advocates). The local Bar council has the power to intervene (article 4 of the Act on Advocates). After being sworn in the advocaat is admitted to the roll of lawyers by the secretary-general of The Netherlands Bar (article 8 of the Act on Advocates).
Contact/URL	Local Bar Council https://www.advocatenorde.nl/8347/advocaten/ledenlijst-raad-van-de-orde The Netherlands Bar https://www.advocatenorde.nl/vind-uw-advocaat Roll of lawyers <a href="https://www.advocatenorde.nl/">https://www.advocatenorde.nl/</a>
Regulator(s) of Practice	The local Bar president is the regulator for advocaten in his own district. There are 11 districts in total. The local Bar president is assisted by the local Bar council, a local supporting staff and by a department within The Netherlands Bar.
Contact/URL	Local Bar president <a href="https://www.advocatenorde.nl/8347/advocaten/ledenlijst-raad-van-de-orde">https://www.advocatenorde.nl/8347/advocaten/ledenlijst-raad-van-de-orde</a> More information about regulation (in Dutch): <a href="https://www.advocatenorde.nl/11282/advocaten/toezicht-en-handhaving-door-de-deken.html?thema=toezicht&amp;themalD=2738">https://www.advocatenorde.nl/11282/advocaten/toezicht-en-handhaving-door-de-deken.html?thema=toezicht&amp;themalD=2738</a>
Disciplinary Authorities	Local Bar president <a href="https://www.advocatenorde.nl/8347/advocaten/ledenlijst-raad-van-de-orde">https://www.advocatenorde.nl/8347/advocaten/ledenlijst-raad-van-de-orde</a> More information about regulation (in Dutch): <a href="https://www.advocatenorde.nl/11282/advocaten/toezicht-en-handhaving-door-de-deken.html?thema=toezicht&amp;themalD=2738">https://www.advocatenorde.nl/11282/advocaten/toezicht-en-handhaving-door-de-deken.html?thema=toezicht&amp;themalD=2738</a>
Contact/URL	Local Bar president <a href="https://www.advocatenorde.nl/8347/advocaten/ledenlijst-raad-van-de-orde">https://www.advocatenorde.nl/8347/advocaten/ledenlijst-raad-van-de-orde</a> Disciplinary board <a href="https://www.raadvandiscipline.nl/site/">https://www.raadvandiscipline.nl/site/</a> Disciplinary court <a href="https://www.hofvandiscipline.nl">www.hofvandiscipline.nl</a>
Other Bodies	The Netherlands Bar led by the general council is responsible for all legislation for lawyers There also is a Supervisory Board of which The president of The Netherlands Bar is president and with two other member who are appointed by government (article 36a-36c and 45i of the Act on Advocates). The task of this new Supervisory Board is to oversee the performance of the Local Bar President in his (new) supervising role and in handling of complaints. The Supervisory Board can in the end suspend or relief the Local Bar President of his tasks, in the exceptional case of neglecting his duties.
Contact/URL	The Netherlands Bar <a href="https://www.advocatenorde.nl">www.advocatenorde.nl</a> The Supervisory Board <a href="https://www.collegevantoezichtnova.nl">www.collegevantoezichtnova.nl</a> The Advisory Board <a href="https://www.collegevantoezichtnova.nl">www.collegevantoezichtnova.nl</a>
Primary Legislative Source	The Act on Advocates (Advocatenwet) The Decision on legal requirements of lawyers (Besluit beroepsvereisten advocatuur) The bye-law on advocates (Verordening op de advocatuur) The code of conduct (Gedragsregels) 2015
URL	http://regelgeving.advocatenorde.nl/

# **NEW ZEALAND**

Legal Jurisdiction	New Zealand
Lawyer Title(s)	Barrister/Solicitor of the High Court of New Zealand
Regulator(s) of Admission	New Zealand Council of Legal Education, New Zealand law Society and High Court of New Zealand
Contact/URL	http://www.lawsociety.org.nz/for-lawyers/joining-the-legal- profession/admission
Regulator(s) of Practice	New Zealand Law Society
Contact/URL	http://www.lawsociety.org.nz/for-lawyers/regulatory-requirements
Disciplinary Authorities	Lawyers Standards Committees operated by the New Zealand Law Society Complaints Service; Lawyers Complaints Review Officer; Lawyers and Conveyancers Disciplinary Tribunal.
Contact/URL	http://www.lawsociety.org.nz/home/for_lawyers/regulatory/complaints http://www.justice.govt.nz/tribunals/legal-complaints-review-officer http://www.justice.govt.nz/tribunals/lawyers-and-conveyancers-disciplinary-tribunal
Other Bodies	Ministry of Justice
Contact/URL	http://www.justice.govt.nz
Primary Legislative Source	Lawyers and Conveyancers Act 2006:
URL	http://www.legislation.govt.nz/act/public/2006/0001/latest/DLM364939.html ?search=ts_act_lawyers&sr=1

# **NICARAGUA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Nicaragua
Lawyer Title(s)	Abogado/a
Regulator(s) of Admission	Supreme Court of Justice
Contact/URL	http://www.poderjudicial.gob.ni
Regulator(s) of Practice	Supreme Court of Justice
Contact/URL	http://www.poderjudicial.gob.ni
Disciplinary Authorities	Supreme Court of Justice
Contact/URL	http://www.poderjudicial.gob.ni
Primary Legislative Source	Ley No. 260 LEY ORGÁNICA DEL PODER JUDICIAL DE LA REPÚBLICA DE NICARAGUA 1998
URL	http://www.poderjudicial.gob.ni/arc-pdf/LOPJ.pdf

# **NIGER**

Legal Jurisdiction	Niger
Lawyer Title(s)	Avocat
Regulator(s) of Admission	Le Conseil de l'Ordre des Avocats
Contact/URL	http://www.barreau-niger.com/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Le Conseil de l'Ordre des Avocats
Contact/URL	http://www.barreau-niger.com/
Disciplinary Authorities	Le Conseil de l'Ordre des Avocats
Contact/URL	http://www.barreau-niger.com/
Primary Legislative Source	Loi n° 2004-42 du 8 juin 2004 réglementant la profession d'avocat (Journal Officiel spécial n° 14 du 20 août 2004)
URL	http://www.barreau-niger.com/index.php/documentation.html

# NIGERIA

Legal Jurisdiction	Nigeria
Lawyer Title(s)	Legal Practitioner
Regulator(s) of Admission	Body of Benchers, a body of legal practitioners of the highest distinction in the legal profession in Nigeria, are responsible for the formal call to the Bar of any persons seeking to become legal practitioners. Council of Legal Education; Supreme Court of Nigeria; The Registrar of the Supreme Court.
Contact/URL	http://bob.gov.ng/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Bar Council of the Nigerian Bar Association; Body of Benchers; Nigerian Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://www.nigerianbar.org.ng/
Disciplinary Authorities	Legal Practitioners Disciplinary Committee (Art. 11 - Legal Practitioners Act, CAP L11, LFN 2004)
Contact/URL	http://www.nigerianbar.org.ng/
Other Bodies	Legal Practitioners Re-numeration Committee charged with making orders regulating the fees charged by legal practitioners. S.15 Legal Practitioners Act, CAP L11, LFN 2004
Contact/URL	http://www.nigerianbar.org.ng/
Primary Legislative Source	Legal Practitioners Act, CAP L11, LFN 2004
URL	http://www.nigeria-law.org/Legal%20Practitioners%20Act.htm

# **NORWAY**

Legal Jurisdiction	Norway
Lawyer Title(s)	Advokat
Regulator(s) of Admission	Supervisory Counsel for Legal Practice
Contact/URL	http://tilsynet.no http://tilsynet.no/wp- content/uploads/2015/11/s%C3%B8knad-advokatbevilling-2015.pdf
Regulator(s) of Practice	Norwegian Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://www.advokatforeningen.no/
Disciplinary Authorities	Investigating and prosecuting lawyers: Supervisory Counsel for Legal Practice; Remove lawyer from the register: Advokatbevillingsnemnden
Contact/URL	http://tilsynet.no http://tilsynet.no/om-advokatbevillingsnemnden/
Primary Legislative Source	Domstolsloven (Courts of Justice Act) 1915.
URL	http://www.wipo.int/wipolex/en/details.jsp?id=3257

### **OMAN**

Legal Jurisdiction	Oman
Lawyer Title(s)	Lawyer
Regulator(s) of Admission	Ministry of Justice
Contact/URL	http://www.moj.gov.om
Regulator(s) of Practice	Ministry of Justice
Contact/URL	http://www.moj.gov.om
Disciplinary Authorities	Ministry of Justice. Ethical Code: Lawyers Act.
Contact/URL	http://www.moj.gov.om
Primary Legislative Source	Omani Law on Advocacy (Royal Decree no.108/1996)

### **PAKISTAN\***

Legal Jurisdiction	Pakistan
Lawyer Title(s)	Advocate Simplicitor/ Advocate of the High Courts/ Advocate of Supreme Court
Regulator(s) of Admission	Pakistan Bar Council admit persons, fulfilling the requirements of law, as Advocates entitled to practice before the Supreme Court of Pakistan.
Contact/URL	http://pakistanbarcouncil.org/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Provincial Bar Councils regulate advocates within their respective regions, with the Pakistan Bar Council supervision this regulation.
Contact/URL	http://pakistanbarcouncil.org/provincial/
Disciplinary Authorities	The Disciplinary Committee of the Pakistan Bar Council will make all disciplinary decisions regarding advocates within the country, including removal from the roll.
Contact/URL	http://pakistanbarcouncil.org/committees/
Other Bodies	Supreme Court of Pakistan
Contact/URL	http://www.supremecourt.gov.pk/web/
Primary Legislative Source	Legal Practitioners and Bar Councils Act, 1973 and Pakistan Legal Practitioners and Bar Councils Rules, 1976.
URL	http://pakistanbarcouncil.org/category/acts-rules/

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

### **PANAMA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Panama
Lawyer Title(s)	Abogado/a
Regulator(s) of Admission	Supreme Court of Justice
Contact/URL	http://www.organojudicial.gob.pa/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Supreme Court of Justice
Contact/URL	http://www.organojudicial.gob.pa/
Disciplinary Authorities	Supreme Court of Justice
Contact/URL	http://www.organojudicial.gob.pa/
Other Bodies	Colegio Nacional de Abogados for its own membership; "Intendencia de Sujetos Obligados No Financieros" of the MInistry of Economy of Finance in the case of legal partnerships which provide services as resident agents of panamanian corporations for example.
Contact/URL	www.cnapanama.com; http://www.mef.gob.pa/es/direcciones/IntendenciaSujetosNoFinancieros/ Paginas/mision-y-vision.aspx
Primary Legislative Source	Law 9 (April 18, 1984), as amended by Law 8 (1993)

# **PAPUA NEW GUINEA\***

Legal Jurisdiction	Papua New Guinea
Lawyer Title(s)	Lawyer
Regulator(s) of Admission	The Court admits lawyers and the Papua New Guinea Law Society issues certificates to lawyers who are on the roll maintained by the registrar
Contact/URL	http://www.southpacificlawyers.org/member/papua-new-guinea
Regulator(s) of Practice	Papua New Guinea Law Society
Contact/URL	http://www.southpacificlawyers.org/member/papua-new-guinea
Disciplinary Authorities	Papua New Guinea Law Society
Contact/URL	http://www.southpacificlawyers.org/member/papua-new-guinea
Primary Legislative Source	Lawyers Act 1986
URL	http://www.paclii.org/pg/legis/consol_act/lar1990260.rtf

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

### **PARAGUAY**

Legal Jurisdiction	Paraguay
Lawyer Title(s)	Abogado/a
Regulator(s) of Admission	Supreme Court of Justice
Contact/URL	http://www.pj.gov.py/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Supreme Court of Justice
Contact/URL	http://www.pj.gov.py/
Disciplinary Authorities	Supreme Court of Justice
Contact/URL	http://www.pj.gov.py/
Primary Legislative Source	Codigo de Organización Judicial. Ley 879/81 - 2001
URL	http://www.cej.org.py/files/cod_org_judicial.pdf

# PERU\*

Legal Jurisdiction	Peru
Lawyer Title(s)	Abogado/a
Regulator(s) of Admission	Local bar associations
Contact/URL	https://www.hg.org/bar-associations-peru.asp
Regulator(s) of Practice	Junta de Decanos de los Colegios de abogados del Peru (Board of Deans of law Associations of Peru)
Contact/URL	http://www.cal.org.pe/junta decanos peru.html
Disciplinary Authorities	Superior Court of Lima and Bar Association of Peru
Contact/URL	http://www.peru.gob.pe/transparencia/pep_transparencia_lista_planes.as p?id_entidad=10051&id_tema=1#.VaZdKflViko
Other Bodies	Superior Court of Lima
Contact/URL	http://www.peru.gob.pe/transparencia/pep_transparencia_lista_planes.as p?id_entidad=10051&id_tema=1#.VaZdKflViko
Primary Legislative Source	The 1997 Código de Ética y Responsibilidad Profesional del Abogado (Code of Ethics and Professional Responsibility for Lawyers) updated in 2012. This Code regulates all bar associations in the country, in every field of the practice of law. To practise law in Peru it is a requirement to be a member of a bar association in the country.
URL	http://www.ramajudicial.pr/reglas-de-conducta/Cap-1a.pdf

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

# PHILIPPINES\*

Legal Jurisdiction	Philippines
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney/Counsellor at Law
Regulator(s) of Admission	Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://sc.judiciary.gov.ph/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Supreme Court and the Integrated Bar of the Philippines
Contact/URL	http://sc.judiciary.gov.ph/
Disciplinary Authorities	Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://sc.judiciary.gov.ph/
Other Bodies	Integrated Bar of the Philippines
Contact/URL	http://www.ibp.ph/ibp_home.html
Primary Legislative Source	Republic Act No 6397 of 17 September 1971 and Supreme Court Rule 139-A, effective 16 January 1973
URL	http://www.ibp.ph/downloads/pdf/RepublicAct6397.pdf

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

### **POLAND**

Legal Jurisdiction	Poland
Lawyer Title(s)	Adwokat (Advocate)/ Radca Prawny (Legal Adviser); There are two equal regulated legal professions in Poland – advocates and legal advisers. Each profession is regulated by a separate Bar Association: Polish Bar Council for advocates and National Council of Legal Advisers for legal advisers. Both Bars were establish by the acts of Parliament.
Regulator(s) of Admission	For legal advisers – Krajowa Rada Radców Prawnych – National Council of Legal Advisers For advocates - Naczelna Rada Adwokacka - Polish Bar Council It must be noted that 24 Regional Bar Councils and 19 Regional Chambers of Legal Advisers are responsible for keeping the registers of advocates and legal advisers. Both the Polish Bar Council and the National Council of Legal Advisers publish the national database of lawyers (for legal advisers: www.rejestrradcow.pl, for advocates: www.rejestradwokatow.pl)
Contact/URL	National Council of Legal Advisers - www.kirp.pl Polish Bar Council - http://www.nra.pl National Council of Legal Advisers: Al. Ujazdowskie 41 lok 2 00-540 Warszawa, Poland Phone: +48 22 319 56 01, fax: +48 22 319 56 16. e-mail: kirp@kirp.pl Polish Bar Council: Naczelna Rada Adwokacka ul. Świętojerska 16, 00-202 Warszawa Phone: +48 22 505 25 01 Fax: +48 22 505 25 08
Regulator(s) of Practice	For legal advisers – National Council of Legal Advisers For advocates - Polish Bar Council
Contact/URL	National Council of Legal Advisers - www.kirp.pl Polish Bar Council - http://www.nra.pl National Council of Legal Advisers: Al. Ujazdowskie 41 lok 2 00-540 Warszawa, Poland Phone: +48 22 319 56 01, fax: +48 22 319 56 16. e-mail: kirp@kirp.pl Polish Bar Council: Naczelna Rada Adwokacka ul. Świętojerska 16, 00-202 Warszawa Phone: +48 22 505 25 01 Fax: +48 22 505 25 08 e-mail: nra@nra.pl
Disciplinary Authorities	For legal advisers: First instance - Disciplinary Spokespersons and Regional Disciplinary Courts associated with Regional Chambers of Legal Advisers. As second instance: Main Disciplinary Spokesperson and Higher Disciplinary Court associated with the National Council of Legal Advisers Legal basis: Code of ethics of legal adviser (http://www.ccbe.eu/index.php?id=107&L=0) For advocates: First instance - Disciplinary Spokespersons and Disciplinary Courts associated with Regional Chambers of Advocates. As second instance: Disciplinary Spokesperson of the Bar and Higher Disciplinary Court associated with the Polish Bar Council. Legal basis: Code of ethics for advocates (http://www.ccbe.eu/index.php?id=107&L=0)
Contact/URL	http://www.ccbe.eu/index.php?id=107&L=0 http://www.ccbe.eu/index.php?id=107&L=0
Primary Legislative Source	Act of Parliament on Legal Advisers (ustawa z dnia 6 lipca 1982 r. o radcach prawnych) The Law on Advocates (ustawa z dnia 26 maja 1982 r. Prawo o adwokaturze)
URL	http://www.ccbe.eu/fileadmin/user_upload/NTCdocument/en_poland_law_on_adv1_1188889310.pdf

# **PORTUGAL\***

Legal Jurisdiction	Portugal
Lawyer Title(s)	Advogado (lawyer)
Regulator(s) of Admission	Ordem dos Advogados (Portuguese Bar Association)
Contact/URL	http://www.oa.pt/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Ordem dos Advogados (Portuguese Bar Association)
Contact/URL	http://www.oa.pt/
Disciplinary Authorities	Ordem dos Advogados (Portuguese Bar Association)
Contact/URL	http://www.oa.pt/
Primary Legislative Source	Law 49/2004 of 24 August: Lawyers' Act.
URL	http://www.oa.pt/Conteudos/Artigos/detalhe_artigo.aspx?idc=30819&idsc= 22812

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

### **QATAR\***

Legal Jurisdiction	Qatar
Lawyer Title(s)	Lawyer/Advocate
Regulator(s) of Admission	Lawyer Acceptance Committee, Ministry of Justice.
Contact/URL	http://www.moj.gov.qa/d-9.php
Regulator(s) of Practice	Ministry of Justice
Contact/URL	www.moj.gov.qa
Disciplinary Authorities	Ministry of Justice
Contact/URL	www.moj.gov.qa
Primary Legislative Source	The Law on Lawyers, No. 23 of 2006.
URL	http://www.almeezan.qa/LawArticles.aspx?LawTreeSectionID=9136&lawId=2563&language=en

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

### **ROMANIA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Romania
Lawyer Title(s)	Lawyer
Regulator(s) of Admission	There are 42 local bar associations that make up the National Association of Romanian Bars. The relevant local bar awards lawyers admission to the profession.
Contact/URL	http://unbr.ro/en/narb/bars/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Romanian National Union of Bar Associations
Contact/URL	http://unbr.ro/en/narb/narb/
Disciplinary Authorities	The National Association of Romanian Bars has the Central Disciplinary Commission, which handles disciplinary proceedings, alongside the local bars rules and processes.
Contact/URL	http://unbr.ro/en/narb/central-disciplinary-commission/
Other Bodies	Any proposal for amendment of any law shall be voted by the Lawyers' Congress that convenes annually.
Contact/URL	http://unbr.ro/ro/
Primary Legislative Source	Law No. 51/1995; The Legal Profession Bylaws; The Lawyers' Pensions Law
URL	http://unbr.ro/ro/legea-nr-511995/

# **RUSSIA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Russia
Lawyer Title(s)	адвокат (Advocate)
Regulator(s) of Admission	The status of a Russian advocate may be granted by the special qualification commission of each regional Chamber of Advocates. Ministry of Justice issues the practicing certificates.
Contact/URL	http://www.fparf.ru
Regulator(s) of Practice	Federal Chamber of Lawyers of the Russian Federation
Contact/URL	http://www.fparf.ru
Disciplinary Authorities	Councils of the regional Chambers of Lawyers and Qualifications Commissions of the regional Chambers
Contact/URL	http://www.fparf.ru
Other Bodies	Ministry of Justice
Contact/URL	http://government.ru/en/department/99/events/
Primary Legislative Source	The principal regulation for advocates is the Federal Law "On Advocates' Activities and Advocacy in the Russian Federation" of 31 May 2002

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

# **RWANDA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Rwanda
Lawyer Title(s)	Avocat
Regulator(s) of Admission	Bar Association (Preliminary admission: setting admission criteria, preparation of entry exam) and Supreme Court of Rwanda (admission: swearing in before the Chief Justice)
Contact/URL	http://rwandabar.org.rw/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Council of the Rwanda Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://rwandabar.org.rw/
Disciplinary Authorities	Disciplinary Committee of the Rwanda Bar Association.
Contact/URL	http://rwandabar.org.rw/
Primary Legislative Source	LAW N°83/2013 OF 11/09/2013 ESTABLISHING THE BAR ASSOCIATION IN RWANDA AND DETERMINING ITS ORGANIZATION AND FUNCTIONING
URL	http://rwandabar.org.rw/wp-content/uploads/2014/07/Rwanda-Bar- Association-Law-Official Gazette no 44 of 04.11.2013.pdf

# **SAINT KITTS AND NEVIS\***

Legal Jurisdiction	Federation of Saint Kitts and Nevis
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney-at-law
Regulator(s) of Admission	Bar Association of Saint Kitts and Nevis
Contact/URL	http://www.oecsbar.org/index.php/en/members/st-kitts-nevis
Regulator(s) of Practice	Bar Association of Saint Kitts and Nevis
Contact/URL	http://www.oecsbar.org/index.php/en/members/st-kitts-nevis
Disciplinary Authorities	Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court
Contact/URL	offices@eccourts.org For link to disciplinary rules: http://www.eccourts.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/02/S.I17-of-2014.pdf

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

# SAINT LUCIA\*

Legal Jurisdiction	Saint Lucia
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney-at-law
Regulator(s) of Admission	Saint Lucia Bar Association
Regulator(s) of Practice	Saint Lucia Bar Association
Disciplinary Authorities	Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court
Contact/URL	offices@eccourts.org For link to disciplinary rules: http://www.eccourts.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/02/S.I17-of-2014.pdf
Primary Legislative Source	Legal Profession Act Cap. 2.04; Supreme Court (Legal Profession Disciplinary Procedure) Rules No. 17 of 2014.

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

# SAMOA\*

Legal Jurisdiction	Independent State of Samoa
Lawyer Title(s)	Barrister or Solicitor
Regulator(s) of Admission	Supreme Court of Samoa
Contact/URL	http://www.mjca.gov.ws/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Samoa Law Society
Contact/URL	Samoa Law Society PO Box 6421 Mulimuu Street Apia, Samoa Ph: +685 29 291 Email: saoalawsociety@samoaonline.ws
Disciplinary Authorities	Samoa Law Society
Contact/URL	Samoa Law Society PO Box 6421 Mulimuu Street Apia, Samoa Ph: +685 29 291 Email: saoalawsociety@samoaonline.ws
Primary Legislative Source	Legal Practitioners Act 1976
URL	https://www.imolin.org/doc/amlid/Samoa/Samoa_Law_Practitioners_Act_1976.pdf

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

# SAUDI ARABIA\*

Legal Jurisdiction	Saudi Arabia
Lawyer Title(s)	Lawyer/Advocate ( י אַרן אַרן )
Regulator(s) of Admission	Registration of lawyers is undertaken by the Lawyers Registration and Admission Committee, which comprises the Deputy Minister of Justice, a representative from the Board of Grievances and a practising lawyer appointed by the Minister of Justice.
Contact/URL	Ministry of Justice- P. O Box 7775 Riyadh 11427
Regulator(s) of Practice	Ministry of Justice
Contact/URL	Ministry of Justice- P. O Box 7775 Riyadh 11427 <a href="http://www.moj.gov.sa/arsa/ministry/Pages/mojsystems.aspx">http://www.moj.gov.sa/arsa/ministry/Pages/mojsystems.aspx</a>
Disciplinary Authorities	Disciplinary Board, under the supervision of the Ministry of Justice.
Contact/URL	https://www.saudiembassy.net/about/country- information/laws/Board_of_grievances_law.aspx
Primary Legislative Source	The Code of Law Practice
URL	https://boe.gov.sa/ViewSystemDetails.aspx?lang=en&SystemID=126&VersionID=156

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

### **SEYCHELLES\***

Legal Jurisdiction	Seychelles
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney-at-law
Regulator(s) of Admission	Supreme Court of the Seychelles and the Bar Association of the Seychelles
Contact/URL	http://www.bas.sc/qualifying-as-a-seychelles-lawyer
Regulator(s) of Practice	Supreme Court of the Seychelles
Contact/URL	http://www.bas.sc/seychelles-legal-system/the-judiciary/the-supreme-court- of-seychelles
Disciplinary Authorities	Supreme Court of Seychelles
Contact/URL	http://www.bas.sc/seychelles-legal-system/the-judiciary/the-supreme-court- of-seychelles
Primary Legislative Source	LEGAL PRACTITIONERS ACT 1994 (as amended up to 2013)
URL	http://greybook.seylii.org/se/CAP111

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

### **SIERRA LEONE**

Legal Jurisdiction	Sierra Leone
Lawyer Title(s)	Legal Practitioner
Regulator(s) of Admission	General Legal Council
Contact/URL	2nd Floor, No. 7 Walpole Street, Freetown. generallegalcouncil@gmail.com
Regulator(s) of Practice	General Legal Council
Contact/URL	2nd Floor, No. 7 Walpole Street, Freetown. generallegalcouncil@gmail.com
Disciplinary Authorities	General Legal Council
Contact/URL	2nd Floor, No. 7 Walpole Street, Freetown. generallegalcouncil@gmail.com
Other Bodies	The General Legal Council is the sole body responsible for regulating the conduct of Lawyers in Sierra Leone
Primary Legislative Source	The Legal Practitioners Act No. 15 of Legal Practitioners (Code of Conduct) Statutory Instrument No.1 of 2011 made pursuant to section 53 of the Legal Practitioners Act 2000 supra 2000 (LPA) 2010
URL	http://www.sierra-leone.org/Laws/2000-15.pdf

### **SINGAPORE**

Legal Jurisdiction	Republic of Singapore
Lawyer Title(s)	Advocate/Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Singapore
Regulator(s) of Admission	Singapore Institute of Legal Education (SILE), The Law Society of Singapore (Law Society) and the Attorney-General's Chambers (AGC) SILE ensures that every person who wishes to seek admission met the qualifications for admission before a petition for admission hearing is scheduled. The Law Society and the AGC asses fitness of character for admission as an advocate and solicitor of the Supreme Court of Singapore after the petition for admission has been filed in the Supreme Court.
Contact/URL	https://www.mlaw.gov.sg/content/minlaw/en/practising-as-a- lawyer/AdmissionRequirements.html
Regulator(s) of Practice	The Legal Services Regulatory Authority ("LSRA") was established as a department under the Ministry of Law on 18 November 2015. The LSRA performs the following key functions, previously undertaken by the Attorney-General's Chambers' Legal Profession Secretariat and the Law Society: Licenses or registers all law practice entities; Sets and reviews the business criteria and licence conditions relevant to different law practice structures; Oversees the compliance by law practice entities of the business criteria and licence conditions; Approves collaborative arrangements of Singapore Law Practices involving foreign ownership, profit-sharing or concurrent partnership; and Registers foreign-qualified lawyers and regulated non-practitioners
Contact/URL	https://www.mlaw.gov.sg/content/minlaw/en/our-work/legal-services- regulatory-authority.html
Disciplinary Authorities	Law Society receives complaint of professional misconduct for both local lawyers as well as foreign lawyers registered with LSRA to practise foreign law in Singapore. When a complaint against a lawyer for professional misconduct under Section 85(1) Legal Profession Act is received by the Law Society, the Council of the Law Society is required to refer the complaint to the Chairman of the Inquiry Panel (an independent panel appointed by the Chief Justice) for review by a Review Committee. If a complaint involves a foreign lawyer, a registered foreign lawyer is involved in every stage of the disciplinary proceedings save for the Court of 3 Judges.
Contact/URL	https://www.supremecourt.gov.sg/default.aspx?pgID=81
Other Bodies	Professional Conduct Council This is a new institution chaired by the Chief Justice with representatives drawn from the Judiciary, Law Society and the Attorney-General's Chambers to review and redraft conduct rules applicable to both local and foreign lawyers.
Primary Legislative Source	Legal Profession Act (Chapter 161) Legal Profession (Professional Conduct) Rules Legal Profession (International Services) Rules 2008 Legal Profession (Qualified Persons) Rules Legal Profession (Admission) Rules Legal Profession (Law Practice Entities) Rules 2015 Legal Profession (Regulated Individuals) Rules 2015 Legal Profession (Modified Application of Act for International Services) Rules 2015
URL	http://statutes.agc.gov.sg/aol/home.w3p

### **SLOVAKIA\***

Legal Jurisdiction	Slovakia
Lawyer Title(s)	Advokát/Komerčný právnik
Regulator(s) of Admission	Slovak Bar Association
Contact/URL	https://www.sak.sk/blox/cms/en
Regulator(s) of Practice	The Slovak Bar Association and the Parliament of Slovakia
Contact/URL	https://www.sak.sk/blox/cms/en http://www.nrsr.sk/web/default.aspx?lang=en
Disciplinary Authorities	The Slovak Bar Association
Contact/URL	https://www.sak.sk/blox/cms/en
Other Bodies	Parliament of Slovakia
Contact/URL	http://www.nrsr.sk/web/default.aspx?lang=en
Primary Legislative Source	Parliamentary Act No. 586/2003 Coll. on the Legal Profession and an Amending Act No. 455/1991 Coll. on the Business and Self-Employment Services (Business Licensing Act) as amended
URL	http://www.ccbe.org/fileadmin/user_upload/NTCdocument/en_slovak_rep_parlia1_1188889665.pdf

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### **SLOVENIA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Slovenia
Lawyer Title(s)	Odvetnik (Attorney at Law)
Regulator(s) of Admission	Slovene Bar Association
Contact/URL	www.odv-zb.si/ info@odv-zb.si
Regulator(s) of Practice	Slovene Bar Association under supervision of the Consitutional Court
Contact/URL	http://www.odv-zb.si/en/regulations/bar-act
Disciplinary Authorities	Discplinary Committee of the Supreme Court
Contact/URL	www.odv-zb.si./predpisi
Other Bodies	Constitutional Court of Slovenia as the most higher instance of the control of human rights protection. Within SBA exists an independent body by title:" disciplinski tožilec", e.g. "Disciplinary prosecutor" who runs procedure against lawyer. Than: the Disciplinary commission of the 1. instance -it passes a disciplinary measures against lawyers. The Disciplinary commission of the 2. instance: complaints Board. Than: The Disciplinary Court: an independent Board within SBA which consists of two judges of the Supreme Court and three lawyers. It controls the decisions of the 2. instance regarding the control of the worst sanctions against lawyer (removing from the register, suspension).
Contact/URL	Constitutional Court of Slovenia: www.us-rs.si/en/ Supreme Court: www.sodisce.si/vsrs/
Primary Legislative Source	The Bar Act was adopted in 1993 and amended in 1996,2001,2008,2014 (Decisions of the Constitutional Court: Official Gazette Nr. 24/01,54/08,35/09)
URL	www.odv-zb.si/predpisi www.odv-zb.si/en/regulations/

# SOLOMON ISLANDS\*

Legal Jurisdiction	Solomon Islands
Lawyer Title(s)	Legal Practitioner
Regulator(s) of Admission	Chief Justice
Regulator(s) of Practice	Rules Committee and Chief Justice
Disciplinary Authorities	When needed, a disciplinary committee will be appointed by the Chief Justice
Primary Legislative Source	Legal Practitioners (Admission) Rules 1996
URL	http://www.paclii.org/sb/legis/consol_act/lpa207.rtf

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

# **SOUTH AFRICA**

Legal Jurisdiction	South Africa
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney
Regulator(s) of Admission	Admission exam is administered by the South African Law Society Currently regulated under the Attorneys Act, no. 53 of 1979 by the following four provincial Law Societies: LSNP, KZN, Cape & Free State Once the Legal Practice Act, No. 40 of 2014 becomes operational in 2017/2018, there will be only one responsible national regulator.
Contact/URL	http://www.lssa.org.za/?q=con,92,How%20to%20become%20an%20attorney
Regulator(s) of Practice	Currently 4 Statutory Provincial Law Societies: 1. Law Society of the Northern Provinces (Gauteng, Limpopo, North West and Mpumalanga) 2. Cape Law Society (Western Cape, Eastern Cape and Northern Cape) 3. Kwa Zulu Natal Law Society 4. Law Society of the Free State
Contact/URL	Law Society of the Northern Provinces http://www.northernlaw.co.za/ 2.  Cape Law Society http://www.capelawsoc.law.za/ 3. Kwa Zulu Natal Law Society https://www.lawsoc.co.za/ 4. Law Society of the Free State <a href="http://www.fs-law.co.za/">http://www.fs-law.co.za/</a>
Disciplinary Authorities	The Provincial Law Societies hold disciplinary enquiries and where applicable application (serious misconduct, e.g. theft of client funds) is made to The High Court to have the defaulting attorney struck from the Roll.
Contact/URL	The various High Courts where attorneys apply to be admitted to the Roll of Practicing attorneys: <a href="http://www.justice.gov.za/about/sa-courts.html">http://www.justice.gov.za/about/sa-courts.html</a>
Primary Legislative Source	The Attorney's Act of 1979, as amended
URL	http://www.lssa.org.za/?q=con,368,Legal%20Practice%20Act%2028%20of %202014 The Legal profession in South Africa is currently in transition with the Consolidation of the Attorneys and Advocate profession under one (1) regulatory authority, in Terms of the Legal Practice Act (LPA) of 2014 and this will replace the Attorneys Act of 1979 when all provisions of the LPA are brought into effect. Legal Practice Act: <a href="http://www.justice.gov.za/legislation/acts/2014-028.pdf">http://www.justice.gov.za/legislation/acts/2014-028.pdf</a>

# **SPAIN**

Legal Jurisdiction	Spain
Lawyer Title(s)	Abogado/a
Regulator(s) of Admission	Consejo General de la Abogacia Espanola. Additionally must be registered with local bar association to practice. There are 83 local bars.
Contact/URL	http://www.abogacia.es/conozcanos/la-institucion/ejercicio-de-la-abogacia/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Regional Bars, local bar association and Consejo General de la Abogacia Espanola
Contact/URL	http://www.abogacia.es/conozcanos/la-institucion/normativa-profesional/
Disciplinary Authorities	Disciplinary Board of local Bar with appeal to the Regional Bar or the Consejo General de la Abogacia Espanola directly,in case there is no Regional Bar in the concrete Region. There are 10 regional bars.
Contact/URL	http://www.abogacia.es/ http://www.abogacia.es/conozcanos/la- institucion/colegios-y-consejos/
Other Bodies	Ministry of Justice
Contact/URL	http://www.mjusticia.gob.es/cs/Satellite/Portal/es/inicio
Primary Legislative Source	Organic Law 6 /1985 of 1 July, the Judicial Branch. Title II: Lawyers and Attorneys, Royal Decree 658/2001 of 22 June, which approves the General Statute of the Spanish Bar, Law 34/2006 of October 30, on access to the professions of lawyer or solicitor of the Courts. Royal Decree 775/2011 of 3 June, which approves the Regulations of Law 34/2006, of October 30, on access to the professions of lawyer or solicitor of the Courts., Law 17/2009 of 13 November, on the free access to the services activities and their practice, Royal Decree 36/2006, of 17 November.
URL	http://www.ccbe.eu/fileadmin/user_upload/NTCdocument/en_spain_bylawspdf1_1188889840.pdf http://www.abogacia.es/conozcanos/la-institucion/normativa-profesional/

# SRI LANKA\*

Legal Jurisdiction	Sri Lanka
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney at Law
Regulator(s) of Admission	Supreme Court of Sri Lanka
Contact/URL	http://www.supremecourt.lk/index.php
Regulator(s) of Practice	Supreme Court of Sri Lanka
Contact/URL	http://www.supremecourt.lk/index.php
Disciplinary Authorities	Supreme Court of Sri Lanka
Contact/URL	http://www.supremecourt.lk/index.php
Other Bodies	Sri Lanka Law College
Contact/URL	http://www.sllc.ac.lk/index.html
Primary Legislative Source	Administration of Justice Law, No. 44 of 1973 and Part VII of the Rules of the Supreme Court Rules, 1978 published in the Government Gazette No. 9/10 of November 08, 1978
URL	http://www.commonlii.org/lk/legis/num_act/aojl44o1973330/

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

# **SUDAN**

Legal Jurisdiction	Sudan
Lawyer Title(s)	1. Lawyer 2. Counsellor (Ustaz- ذاتسألا) for lawyers with more than 10 years experience
Regulator(s) of Admission	Advocates Admission Committee
Contact/URL	Mr. Abdel-Azim Mehdi Ahmed Hemit Secretary of the Committee +249 91230 7944
Regulator(s) of Practice	The Sudanese Bar Association
Contact/URL	Mr. Eltayib Haron ALI The President of the Bar Tel: +249 91230 5195 http://www.sudaadvoc.net/en/index.php
Disciplinary Authorities	The Complaints Committee
Contact/URL	Mr. Abdel-Azim Mehdi Ahmed Hemit Secretary of the Committee +249 91230 7944
Other Bodies	Organization of the Legal Profession Council
Contact/URL	The Head of the Council is the Minister of Justice and the President of the Bar is a member of the Council Mr. Eltayib Haron ALI The President of the Bar Tel: +249 91230 5195 http://www.lpc.gov.sd email: lpc@lpc.gov.sd
Primary Legislative Source	Sudan's Advocacy Act 1983 (2014 Amendments)
URL	http://moj.gov.sd/content/lawsv4/4/6.htm

### **SWAZILAND\***

Legal Jurisdiction	Swaziland
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney/Advocate/Conveyancer/Notary/Legal Practioner
Regulator(s) of Admission	The High Court of Swaziland
Contact/URL	http://lawsocietyofswaziland.co.sz/index.php/membership
Regulator(s) of Practice	Law Society of Swaziland and the Attorney General (in relation to trust accounts)
Contact/URL	http://lawsocietyofswaziland.co.sz/images/Legal%20Practitioners%20act %20of%201964.pdf
Disciplinary Authorities	Law Society of Swaziland
Contact/URL	http://lawsocietyofswaziland.co.sz/images/Legal%20Practitioners%20Disciplinery%20Procedings.pdf
Other Bodies	Law Society of Swaziland
Contact/URL	http://lawsocietyofswaziland.co.sz/
Primary Legislative Source	Legal Practitioners Act 1964
URL	http://lawsocietyofswaziland.co.sz/images/Legal%20Practitioners%20act %20of%201964.pdf

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

# **SWEDEN**

Legal Jurisdiction	Sweden
Lawyer Title(s)	Advokat
Regulator(s) of Admission	Board of the Swedish Bar Association (register kept by the Secretariat of the Swedish Bar Association)
Contact/URL	https://www.advokatsamfundet.se/Advokatsamfundet- engelska/Membership-and-registration/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Swedish Bar Association
Contact/URL	https://www.advokatsamfundet.se/Advokatsamfundet- engelska/Membership-and-registration/ https://www.advokatsamfundet.se/Documents/Advokatsamfundet_eng/Co de_of_Professional_Conduct_with_Commentary.pdf https://www.advokatsamfundet.se/Advokatsamfundet-engelska/Rules- and-regulations/
Disciplinary Authorities	Board of Disciplinary Committee of the Swedish Bar Association
Contact/URL	https://www.advokatsamfundet.se/Advokatsamfundet- engelska/Complaints-about-lawyers/
Primary Legislative Source	The Swedish Code of Judicial Procedure (CJP), Chapter 8, the Charter of the Swedish Bar Association and the Code of Professional Conduct for Members of the Swedish Bar Association.
URL	https://www.advokatsamfundet.se/Documents/Advokatsamfundet_eng/Excerpt%20Code%20of%20Judicial%20Procedure.DOC

### **SWITZERLAND\***

Legal Jurisdiction	Federal movement but cantonal regulation
Lawyer Title(s)	Avokat/Rechtsanwalt
Regulator(s) of Admission	All lawyers who are listed in a cantonal register can practice.
Contact/URL	http://www.sav-fsa.ch/en/anwaltsrecht/anwaltsregister.html
Regulator(s) of Practice	Regulation is conducted by legislation with the canton (26) of practice.
Contact/URL	http://www.sav-fsa.ch/en/anwaltsrecht/gesetze-kantone.html
Disciplinary Authorities	Judicial organization in each canton (26).
Contact/URL	http://www.sav-fsa.ch/en/anwaltsrecht/aufsichtsbehoerden.html
Primary Legislative Source	The Federal Act on the Freedom of Movement for Lawyers (FAFML) of 23 June 2000. There is local legislation in each canton which grants them the right to determine the requirements for obtaining a license to practise law in their territory and the right to authorise lawyers, accredited with its cantonal license, to represent parties before its own judicial authorities as opposed to the Federal courts.
URL	http://www.ccbe.eu/fileadmin/user_upload/NTCdocument/en_switzerland_feder1_1188890158.pdf

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

### **TAIWAN\***

Legal Jurisdiction	Taiwan (Chinese Taipei)
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney/Lü shi
Regulator(s) of Admission	Bar examination is conducted by the Examination Yuan, the Ministry of Justice is responsible for lawyers admission
Contact/URL	http://www.moj.gov.tw/mp095.html
Regulator(s) of Practice	Ministry of Justice and local district courts
Contact/URL	http://www.twba.org.tw/en/Regulation.htm
Disciplinary Authorities	Attorney Disciplinary Committee of Taiwan bar Association
Contact/URL	http://www.twba.org.tw/en/Report.htm
Other Bodies	Taiwan Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://www.twba.org.tw/en/Report.htm
Primary Legislative Source	Law of Lawyers Attorneys Act 1948

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

# **TAJIKISTAN**

Legal Jurisdiction	Tajikistan
Lawyer Title(s)	Advocate
Regulator(s) of Admission	(1) Union of Advocates of the Republic of Tajikistan (2) the Qualification Commission under the Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Tajikistan
Contact/URL	http://www.ijozat.tj/index.php?option=com_content&view=section&id=19& ltemid=15&lan http://www.minjust.tj/index.php?lang=eng=en
Regulator(s) of Practice	(1) Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Tajikistan, and (2) Union of Advocates of the Republic of Tajikistan
Contact/URL	http://www.ijozat.tj/index.php?option=com_content&view=section&id=19& ltemid=15&lan http://www.minjust.tj/index.php?lang=eng=en
Disciplinary Authorities	(1) Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Tajikistan, and (2) Union of Advocates of the Republic of Tajikistan
Contact/URL	http://www.ijozat.tj/index.php?option=com_content&view=section&id=19& ltemid=15&lan http://www.minjust.tj/index.php?lang=eng=en
Primary Legislative Source	The Law of the Republic of Tajikistan on Advocacy 2015
URL	http://mmk.tj/ru/legislation/legislation-base/271/

### **TANZANIA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Tanzania
Lawyer Title(s)	Advocate
Regulator(s) of Admission	Judiciary/High Court of Tanzania
Contact/URL	http://www.judiciary.go.tz/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Tanganyika Law Society
Contact/URL	http://tls.or.tz/about-tls/
Disciplinary Authorities	Ethics Committee of the Law Society and the Advocates Disciplinary Committee.
Contact/URL	http://tls.or.tz/rules/
Other Bodies	Council of Legal Education
Primary Legislative Source	The Advocates Act (1 January 1955 as updated)
URL	http://tls.or.tz/laws/

### **THAILAND\***

Legal Jurisdiction	Thailand
Lawyer Title(s)	'Tha Nai Kwam' which means registered "Lawyer" or "Barrister". 'Ni Ti Korn' are Thai nationals with some legal training but who are unregistered and working in-house, in academia or government.
Regulator(s) of Admission	Law Society of Thailand
Contact/URL	http://www.thailawforum.com/articles/charununlegal2.html
Regulator(s) of Practice	Law Society of Thailand
Contact/URL	http://www.thailawforum.com/articles/charununlegal3.html
Disciplinary Authorities	Law Society of Thailand
Contact/URL	http://www.thailawforum.com/articles/charununlegal3.html
Primary Legislative Source	The Thailand Lawyers Act B.E. 2528 (1985)
URL	https://www.imolin.org/doc/amlid/Thailand_Lawyers%20Act.pdf

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

# TOGO

Legal Jurisdiction	Togolese Republic
Lawyer Title(s)	Avocat
Regulator(s) of Admission	Le Conseil de l'Ordre des Avocats
Contact/URL	Conseil de l'Ordre des Avocats Palais de Justice BP 3657 Lomé Togo Tel. 00 228 222 08 82 Facsmile. 00 228 221 67 52 ordreavocat_tg@yahoo.fr
Regulator(s) of Practice	Le Conseil de l'Ordre des Avocats
Contact/URL	Conseil de l'Ordre des Avocats Palais de Justice BP 3657 Lomé Togo Tel. 00 228 222 08 82 Facsmile. 00 228 221 67 52 ordreavocat tg@yahoo.fr
Disciplinary Authorities	Le Conseil de l'Ordre des Avocats
Contact/URL	Conseil de l'Ordre des Avocats Palais de Justice BP 3657 Lomé Togo Tel. 00 228 222 08 82 Facsmile. 00 228 221 67 52 ordreavocat tg@yahoo.fr
Primary Legislative Source	Ordonnance 80-11 du 9 Janvier 1980 relative à l'exercice de la profession d'avocat
URL	http://www.legitogo.gouv.tg/annee_txt/1980/Pages%20from%20jo_1980- 010-2.pdf

# TONGA\*

Legal Jurisdiction	Tonga
Lawyer Title(s)	Law Practitioner
Regulator(s) of Admission	Lord Chief Justice is to enroll a person on the Roll of Law Practitioners
Contact/URL	lawsoc@kalianet.to
Regulator(s) of Practice	Tonga Law Society
Contact/URL	lawsoc@kalianet.to
Disciplinary Authorities	Disciplinary Committee of the Tonga Law Society
Contact/URL	lawsoc@kalianet.to
Other Bodies	South Pacific Lawyers Association
Contact/URL	http://www.southpacificlawyers.org/member/kingdom-tonga
Primary Legislative Source	Law Practitioners Act 1989
URL	http://crownlaw.gov.to/cms/images/LEGISLATION/AMENDING/1989/1989-0021/LawPractitionersAct1989.pdf

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

# TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO\*

Legal Jurisdiction	Trinidad and Tobago
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney-at-Law
Regulator(s) of Admission	Registrar of the High Court
Contact/URL	http://www.ttlawcourts.org/index.php/supreme-court-27/registry
Regulator(s) of Practice	Law Associaton of Trinidad and Tobago
Contact/URL	http://www.lawassociationtt.com/general/homepage.aspx
Disciplinary Authorities	Disciplinary Committee of the Law Association and the High Court
Contact/URL	http://www.lawassociationtt.com/general/category.aspx?categoryID=22
Primary Legislative Source	Legal Profession Act, Act 21 of 1985
URL	http://rgd.legalaffairs.gov.tt/laws2/alphabetical_list/lawspdfs/90.03.pdf

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

# TUNISIA\*

Legal Jurisdiction	Tunisia
Lawyer Title(s)	Avocat
Regulator(s) of Admission	Council of the Tunisian National Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://avocat.org.tn/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Council of the Tunisian National Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://avocat.org.tn/
Disciplinary Authorities	Council of the Tunisian National Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://avocat.org.tn/
Primary Legislative Source	Law No 87/1989 on the Organisation of the Legal Profession.
URL	http://www.jurisitetunisie.com/tunisie/codes/avocat/av1040.htm

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

# TURKEY\*

Legal Jurisdiction	Turkey - single jurisdiction but local registration and regulation
Lawyer Title(s)	Avukat (attorney)
Regulator(s) of Admission	Local Bar registers trainee attorneys and enrols fully qualified Turkish attorneys
Contact/URL	There are 74 local bars in Turkey - their details can be found at <a href="http://eski.barobirlik.org.tr/eng/content.aspx?page=17">http://eski.barobirlik.org.tr/eng/content.aspx?page=17</a>
Regulator(s) of Practice	Lawyers must remain registered with their local bar and comply with the Professional Rules of the Union of Bar Associations of Turkey and the Prohibition of Publicity Regulations.
Contact/URL	http://eski.barobirlik.org.tr/eng/content.aspx?page=17
Disciplinary Authorities	Disciplinary Committee of the Union of Turkish Bar Associations. Additionally, each regional bar has its own Disciplinary Committee.
Contact/URL	http://eski.barobirlik.org.tr/eng/content.aspx?page=16#3
Primary Legislative Source	Attorneyship Law no.1136 of 19 March 1969

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

# **UGANDA\***

Legal Jurisdiction	Uganda
Lawyer Title(s)	Advocate
Regulator(s) of Admission	Registrar of the High Court
Contact/URL	http://www.judicature.go.ug/data/ladvocates/106/Advocates.html
Regulator(s) of Practice	Law Council of Uganda (a statutory agency)
Contact/URL	5 George Street Georgian House 7th Floor (Former Amamu House) Kampala, 7538, Uganda
Disciplinary Authorities	Law Council of Uganda
Contact/URL	5 George Street Georgian House 7th Floor (Former Amamu House) Kampala, 7538, Uganda
Other Bodies	Law Society of Uganda (Representative body - promotes good standards)
Contact/URL	http://www.uls.or.ug/
Primary Legislative Source	Advocates Act c.267
URL	http://www.ulii.org/ug/legislation/consolidated-act/267

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

# **UKRAINE**

Legal Jurisdiction	Ukraine
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney
Regulator(s) of Admission	Qualification and Disciplinary Bar Commission of the Bar of the region - examination Regional Bar Council - licensing, entry in the Unified Register of Attorneys of Ukraine (1st level)
Contact/URL	http://vkdka.org/en/about-commission/ http://en.unba.org.ua/for-advocates
Regulator(s) of Practice	Congress of Advocates of Ukraine
Contact/URL	hhttp://en.unba.org.ua/for-advocates
Disciplinary Authorities	Qualification and Disciplinary Bar Commission of the Bar of the region - first level Higher Qualification and Disciplinary Commission of the Bar Ukraine - appeal level
Contact/URL	http://vkdka.org/en/about-commission/
Other Bodies	Bar Council of Ukraine
Contact/URL	http://en.unba.org.ua/activity
Primary Legislative Source	Law No. 5076-VI, "On the Bar and Practice of Law" dated 5 July 2012 (with further amendments) and general legislation which regulates economic activity of attorneys in Ukraine: Civil Code of Ukraine No. 435-IV dated 16 January 2003; Commercial Code of Ukraine No. 436-IV dated 16 January 2003 and Law No. 249-IV On Preventing and Counteracting the Legalization (Laundering) of Criminally-Obtained Proceeds or Terrorism Financing dated 28 November 2002, Codes of Procedure
URL	http://en.unba.org.ua/assets/uploads/legislations/pologennya/law-of-ukraine-on-the-bar-and-practice-of-law-new.pdf

# **UNITED ARAB EMIRATES – ABU DHABI\***

Legal Jurisdiction	UAE (Abu Dhabi)
Lawyer Title(s)	Advocate
Regulator(s) of Admission	Executive Affairs Authority
Contact/URL	http://www.eaa.gov.ae/Sites/EAA/Navigation/EN/root.html
Regulator(s) of Practice	Executive Affairs Authority
Contact/URL	http://www.eaa.gov.ae/Sites/EAA/Navigation/EN/AdvisoryUnits/legalaffairs.html
Disciplinary Authorities	Executive Affairs Authority
Contact/URL	https://www.abudhabi.ae/portal/public/ar/homepage?_adf.ctrl- state=oq6jtpo4h_4&_afrLoop=2112445212093284
Other Bodies	Ministry of Justice
Contact/URL	http://ejustice.gov.ae/portal/page/portal/eJustice%20MOJ%20Portal/About%20Us/MOJ_AD
Primary Legislative Source	Federal Law no. 23 on the Regulation of the Legal Profession (16 December 1991)
URL	http://www.jstor.org/stable/3381588?seq=1#page_scan_tab_contents

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

### **UNITED ARAB EMIRATES – DUBAI\***

Legal Jurisdiction	UAE (Dubai)
Lawyer Title(s)	Advocate and Legal Consultant
Regulator(s) of Admission	Department of Legal Affairs
Contact/URL	http://dubai.ae/en/Lists/GovernmentDepartments/DispForm.aspx?ID=49&category=Government
Regulator(s) of Practice	Department of Legal Affairs
Contact/URL	http://dubai.ae/en/Lists/GovernmentDepartments/DispForm.aspx?ID=49&category=Government
Disciplinary Authorities	Department of Legal Affairs
Contact/URL	http://legal.dubai.gov.ae/ar/pages/default.aspx
Other Bodies	Ministry of Justice
Contact/URL	http://dubai.ae/en/Lists/GovernmentDepartments/DispForm.aspx?ID=49&category=Government
Primary Legislative Source	Federal Law no. 23 on the Regulation of the Legal Profession (16 December 1991) and Executive Council Resolution no.22 of 2011
URL	http://www.jstor.org/stable/3381588?seq=1#page_scan_tab_contents

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### **UNITED KINGDOM – ENGLAND AND WALES**

Legal Jurisdiction	England and Wales
Lawyer Title(s)	Solicitor; Barrister, (NB. the Legal Services Act 2007 also authorises legal executives, notaries, patent attorneys, trademark attorneys and licensed conveyancers for the conduct of certain legal activities that are reserved in statute)
Regulator(s) of Admission	Solicitors: Solicitors Regulation Authority (SRA); Barristers: Barristers must be called by one of the Inns of Court (Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn, Middle Temple, Inner Temple, Gray's Inn) which hold the right to administer the title of barrister; Bar Standards Board (for issuance of practising certificate)
Contact/URL	www.sra.org.uk www.barstandardsboard.org.uk http://www.lincolnsinn.org.uk/ http://www.innertemple.org.uk/ http://www.middletemple.org.uk/ https://www.graysinn.org.uk/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Solicitors: Solicitors Regulation Authority Barristers: Bar Standards Board for the setting and administration of the code of conduct, practice requirements and annual licensing but. barristers must join and remain members of one of the Inns of Court
Contact/URL	www.sra.org.uk www.barstandardsboard.org.uk http://www.lincolnsinn.org.uk/ http://www.innertemple.org.uk/ http://www.middletemple.org.uk/ https://www.graysinn.org.uk/
Disciplinary Authorities	Solicitors Regulation Authority (solicitors); Bar Standards Board (Barristers) (Nb. the Four Inns of Court also play a role in disciplinary arrangements)
Contact/URL	www.sra.org.uk www.barstandardsboard.org.uk http://www.lincolnsinn.org.uk/ http://www.innertemple.org.uk/ http://www.middletemple.org.uk/ https://www.graysinn.org.uk/
Other Bodies	Legal Services Board (Oversight regulator set up by the Legal Services Act 2007 - responsible for approving independence and functioning of regulatory arrangements in accordance with Legal Services Act 2007 and approving rule changes proposed); Legal Ombudsman (LeO) - responsible for complaints about service (not conduct which is the responsibility of the regulators); Legal Services Consumer Panel - a body set up under the Legal Services Act 2007 to advise the LSB on the interests of the users of legal services; the Law Society of England and Wales (statutory body for regulation of solicitors but with a purely titular role as regulatory tasks must be delegated to its independent regulatory arm (SRA)); Bar Council of England and Wales (statutory body for regulation of barristers which has now delegated all of its regulatory tasks to its independent regulatory arm (BSB))
Contact/URL	www.legalservicesboard.org.uk www.legalombudsman.org.uk www.legalservicesconsumerpanel.org.uk www.lawsociety.org.uk www.barcouncil.org.uk
Primary Legislative Source	Legal Services Act 2007 (Amending and updating Solicitors Act 1974, Administration of Justice Act 1985, Courts and Legal Services Act 1990, Access to Justice Act 1999)
URL	http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2007/29/contents

### **UNITED KINGDOM – NORTHERN IRELAND**

Legal Jurisdiction	Northern Ireland
Lawyer Title(s)	Solicitor; Barrister
Regulator(s) of Admission	Law Society of Northern Ireland (Solicitors); Honourable Society of the Inn Court of Northern Ireland (Barrister)
Contact/URL	http://www.lawsoc-ni.org
Regulator(s) of Practice	Law Society of Northern Ireland; The Bar Council of Norther Ireland
Contact/URL	http://www.lawsoc-ni.org/role-of-the-law-society/regulation/ http://www.barofni.com/page/regulation
Disciplinary Authorities	The Law Society of Northern Ireland/ Solicitors' Disciplinary Tribunal
Contact/URL	http://www.lawsoc-ni.org/making-a-complaint/stage-5/
Primary Legislative Source	Solicitors (Northern Ireland) Order 1976, as amended 16 July 2009.
URL	http://www.lawsoc- ni.org/download/fs/doc/Solicitors%20Order%201976%20as%20amended %2016%20July%202009/doc/

### **UNITED KINGDOM – SCOTLAND**

Legal Jurisdiction	Scotland
Lawyer Title(s)	Solicitor; Advocate
Regulator(s) of Admission	Law Society of Scotland (Solicitors); The Faculty of Advocates (advocates)
Contact/URL	www.lawscot.org.uk and www.advocates.org.uk
Regulator(s) of Practice	Law Society of Scotland (Solicitors); The Faculty of Advocates (advocates)
Contact/URL	www.lawscot.org.uk and www.advocates.org.uk
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Disciplinary Authorities	Law Society of Scotland (Solicitors); Scottish Soliciors Discipline Tribunal (Solicitors); The Faculty of Advocates (advocates)
Contact/URL	www.lawscot.org.uk
	http://www.ssdt.org.uk www.advocates.org.uk
Other Bodies	Scottish Legal Complaints Commission – solicitors and advocates
Contact/URL	www.scottishlegalcomplaints.org.uk
Primary Legislative	Solicitors (Scotland) Act 1980, Council of the Law Society of Scotland Act
Source	2003, The Legal Profession and Legal Aid (Scotland) Act 2010, Legal Services (Scotland) Act 2010
URL	http://www.legislation.gov.uk/asp/2010/16/contents

### **UNITED STATES – ALABAMA**

Legal Jurisdiction	United States (Alabama)
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney
Regulator(s) of Admission	Alabama State Bar under the authorty of the State Supreme Court.
Contact/URL	http://www.alabar.org/
Regulator(s) of Practice	The Alabama State Bar with oversight by the Alabama Supreme Court.
Contact/URL	http://www.alabar.org/
Disciplinary Authorities	The Disciplinary Commission of the Alabama State Bar
Contact/URL	https://www.alabar.org/membership/committees/dc/
Primary Legislative Source	Alabama Rules of Professional Conduct 2012
URL	http://judicial.alabama.gov/library/rules bar conduct.cfm

### **UNITED STATES – ALASKA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Alaska
Lawyer Title(s)	Lawyer
Regulator(s) of Admission	Alaska Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://www.alaskabar.org/
Regulator(s) of Practice	The Alaska Supreme Court (Order 1680, effective 15 April 2009).
Contact/URL	http://courts.alaska.gov/rules/bar.htm#10
Disciplinary Authorities	The Disciplinary Board of the Alaska Bar Association carries out and oversees the investigation, and then recommends discipline to the Supreme Court.
Contact/URL	info@alaskabar.com https://www.alaskabar.org/servlet/feedback
Primary Legislative Source	Alaska Rules of Professional Conduct
URL	https://www.law.cornell.edu/ethics/ak/code/AK_CODE.HTM

### **UNITED STATES - ARIZONA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Arizona
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney at Law
Regulator(s) of Admission	State Bar of Arizona (under supervision of Arizona Supreme Court)
Contact/URL	http://www.azcourts.gov/cld/AttorneyAdmissions/AdmissionbyUBEtestingin Arizona/HowtoApplyforAdmission.aspx
Regulator(s) of Practice	State Bar of Arizona (under supervision of Arizona Supreme Court)
Contact/URL	http://www.azbar.org/ethics/rulesofprofessionalconduct
Disciplinary Authorities	All formal complaints of misconduct are filed by the State Bar of Arizona with the Disciplinary Clerk, Office of the Presiding Disciplinary Judge. The hearing panel, including the Presiding Disciplinary Judge, a lawyer member and a public member, can dismiss the charges, oder diversion, admonition, probation, costas, reprimand, suspension, or disbarment.
Contact/URL	http://www.azbar.org/LawyerConcerns/DisciplineProcess
Primary Legislative Source	Arizona Rules of Professional Conduct, 2004
URL	http://www.azbar.org/ethics/rulesofprofessionalconduct/

### **UNITED STATES – ARKANSAS**

Legal Jurisdiction	Arkansas
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney at Law
Regulator(s) of Admission	Arkansas Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.courts.arkansas.gov/professional_conduct
Regulator(s) of Practice	Arkansas Supreme Court Committee on Professional Conduct
Contact/URL	https://courts.arkansas.gov/rules-and-administrative- orders/%5Bcurrent%5D-arkansas-rules-of-professional-conduct
Disciplinary Authorities	Arkansas Supreme Court Committee on Professional Conduct
Contact/URL	https://courts.arkansas.gov/administration/professional-conduct
Primary Legislative Source	Arkansas Rules of Professional Conduct, 2015
URL	https://courts.arkansas.gov/rules-and-administrative- orders/%5Bcurrent%5D-arkansas-rules-of-professional-conduct

### **UNITED STATES – CALIFORNIA**

Legal Jurisdiction	California
Lawyer Title(s)	Lawyer
Regulator(s) of Admission	California Supreme Court; The State Bar of California (serving as an arm of the California Supreme Court.)
Contact/URL	http://www.calbar.ca.gov
Regulator(s) of Practice	California Supreme Court; The State Bar of California (serving as an arm of the California Supreme Court.)
Contact/URL	http://www.calbar.ca.gov
Disciplinary Authorities	California Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.calbar.ca.gov/Home.aspx
Primary Legislative Source	California Rules of Professional Conduct, 2015
URL	http://rules.calbar.ca.gov/Rules/RulesofProfessionalConduct.aspx

# **UNITED STATES – COLORADO**

Legal Jurisdiction	Colorado
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney/Lawyer
Regulator(s) of Admission	Colorado State Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.coloradosupremecourt.com/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Colorado Supreme Court and its appointed Attorney Regulation Counsel
Contact/URL	http://www.coloradosupremecourt.com
Disciplinary Authorities	Office of Attorney Regulation Counsel of the Colorado Supreme Court
Contact/URL	https://www.coloradosupremecourt.com/Regulation/Regulation.asp
Primary Legislative Source	Colorado Rules of Professional Conduct, 2012
URL	https://www.cobar.org/index.cfm/ID/22119/CETH/Colorado-Rules-of- Professional-Conduct/

### **UNITED STATES – CONNECTICUT**

Legal Jurisdiction	Connecticut
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney/Lawyer
Regulator(s) of Admission	Superior Court, State of Connecticut Judicial Branch
Contact/URL	http://www.jud.ct.gov/external/super/default.htm
Regulator(s) of Practice	Superior Court, State of Connecticut Judicial Branch
Contact/URL	https://www.jud.ct.gov/sgc/
Disciplinary Authorities	Office of Chief Disciplinary Counsel, Statewide Grievance Committee, Superior Court, State of Connecticut Judicial Branch
Contact/URL	https://www.jud.ct.gov/sgc/
Primary Legislative Source	Connecticut Rules of Professional Conduct, 2007
URL	https://www.law.cornell.edu/ethics/ct/code/CT_CODE.HTM

### **UNITED STATES – DELAWARE**

Legal Jurisdiction	Delaware
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney at Law
Regulator(s) of Admission	Delaware Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.courts.delaware.gov
Regulator(s) of Practice	Delaware Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.courts.delaware.gov
Disciplinary Authorities	Office of Disciplinary Counsel, Supreme Court of Delaware
Contact/URL	http://www.courts.delaware.gov/odc/
Primary Legislative Source	Delaware Rules of Professional Conduct, 2010
URL	http://courts.delaware.gov/rules/DLRPCFebruary2010.pdf

# **UNITED STATES – DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Washington, District of Columbia
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney
Regulator(s) of Admission	Committee on Admissions, DC Court of Appeals
Contact/URL	http://www.dccourts.gov/internet/appellate/admincommittee/main.jsf
Regulator(s) of Practice	District of Columbia Court of Appeals
Contact/URL	http://www.dccourts.gov/internet/legal/main.jsf
Disciplinary Authorities	The DC Courts Board on Professional Responsibility has the authority to adjudicate cases of attorney misconduct and the responsibility for administering the disciplinary system.
Contact/URL	http://www.dcbar.org/attorney-discipline/board-on-professional- responsibility/bprmission.cfm
Primary Legislative Source	DC Rules of Professional Conduct, 2006 revised 2015
URL	https://www.dcbar.org/bar-resources/legal-ethics/amended-rules/

### **UNITED STATES - FLORIDA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Florida
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney
Regulator(s) of Admission	Board of Bar Examiners, Florida Supreme Court
Contact/URL	https://www.floridabarexam.org/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Florida Supreme Court
Contact/URL	https://www.floridabar.org/tfb/TFBLawReg.nsf/9dad7bbda218afe88525700 2004833c5/4586762990367be185256e4300524284!OpenDocument
Disciplinary Authorities	The Florida Bar, Florida Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.floridabar.org/tfb/TFBConsum.nsf/0a92a6dc28e76ae58525700a 005d0d53/dbac6623cf5c015f85257a3f0060b781!OpenDocument
Primary Legislative Source	Florida Rules of Professional Conduct, 2015
URL	https://www.law.cornell.edu/ethics/fl/code/FL_CODE.HTM

### **UNITED STATES - GEORGIA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Georgia
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney
Regulator(s) of Admission	Supreme Court of Georgia
Contact/URL	http://www.gasupreme.us/court-information/attorney-admissions/
Regulator(s) of Practice	State Bar of Georgia, Supreme Court of Georgia
Contact/URL	http://www.gabar.org/barrules/ethicsandprofessionalism/
Disciplinary Authorities	State Disciplinary Board, State Bar of Georgia, Supreme Court of Georgia
Contact/URL	http://www.gabar.org/barrules/handbookdetail.cfm?what=rule&id=63
Primary Legislative Source	Georgia Rules of Professional Conduct
URL	http://www.gabar.org/barrules/georgia-rules-of-professional-conduct.cfm

### **UNITED STATES - GUAM**

Legal Jurisdiction	Guam
Lawyer Title(s)	Lawyer/Attorney/Attorney at Law
Regulator(s) of Admission	The Board of Law Examiners of Guam
Contact/URL	http://www.guamsupremecourt.com/BrdLawExam/board.html
Regulator(s) of Practice	Supreme Court of Guam
Contact/URL	http://www.guamcourts.org/supreme.html
Disciplinary Authorities	The 7-member Guam Bar Ethics Committee reviews results of investigations conducted by the Ethics Prosecutor; formal charges are then heard by the 7-member Adjudication Panel of the Committee; recommendations for discipline greater than private reprimand are then submitted to Supreme Court. Both bodies are lawyers appointed by the Guam Bar President and approved by the Supreme Court.
Contact/URL	http://www.guamcourts.org/supreme.html http://www.guamcourts.org/Rules/images/Rules%20for%20the%20Discipline%20of%20Attorneys%20122299.pdf
Primary Legislative Source	Guam Rules for the Discipline of Attorneys; Guam Rules of Professional Conduct; Guam Rules of Governing Admission to the Practice of Law
URL	http://www.guamcourts.org/Rules/images/Rules%20for%20the%20Discipline%20of%20Attorneys%20122299.pdf http://www.guamcourts.org/Rules/images/GuamRulesofProfessionalConductwithoutComments.pdf http://www.guamcourts.org/Rules/images/GRGAPL%2020150625.pdf

### **UNITED STATES - HAWAII**

Legal Jurisdiction	Hawaii
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney, Counselor, Solicitor
Regulator(s) of Admission	Hawaii Board of Bar Examiners, Supreme Court of Hawaii
Contact/URL	http://www.courts.state.hi.us/legal_references/bar_application.html
Regulator(s) of Practice	Supreme Court of Hawaii
Contact/URL	http://www.courts.state.hi.us/legal_references/rules/rulesOfCourt.html
Disciplinary Authorities	Disciplinary Board of the Hawaii Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.courts.state.hi.us/courts/supreme/professionalism.html
Primary Legislative Source	Hawaii Rules of Professional Conduct, 2013
URL	http://www.courts.state.hi.us/docs/court_rules/rules/hrpcond.htm

### **UNITED STATES – IDAHO**

Legal Jurisdiction	Idaho
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney
Regulator(s) of Admission	Idaho State Bar
Contact/URL	http://www.isb.idaho.gov
Regulator(s) of Practice	Idaho Supreme Court
Contact/URL	https://isb.idaho.gov/pdf/rules/ibcr.pdf
Disciplinary Authorities	Office of Bar Counsel, Idaho State Bar and The Professional Conduct Board
Contact/URL	https://isb.idaho.gov/bar_counsel/bc_info_atty.html
Primary Legislative Source	Idaho Rules of Professional Conduct, 2014
URL	https://isb.idaho.gov/general/rules/irpc.html

### **UNITED STATES – ILLINOIS**

Legal Jurisdiction	Illinois
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney
Regulator(s) of Admission	Illinois Supreme Court's Attorney Registration and Disciplinary Commission
Contact/URL	http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/default.asp
Regulator(s) of Practice	Illinois Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/default.asp
Disciplinary Authorities	Illinois Supreme Court's Disciplinary Commission
Contact/URL	http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/default.asp
Primary Legislative Source	Illinois Rules of Professional Conduct, 2010
URL	http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/supremecourt/rules/art_viii/default_new.asp

### **UNITED STATES – INDIANA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Indiana
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney/Lawyer
Regulator(s) of Admission	Indiana Board of Law Examiners, Indiana Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.in.gov/judiciary/ble/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Indiana Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.in.gov/judiciary/rules/prof_conduct/
Disciplinary Authorities	Disciplinary Commission, Indiana Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.in.gov/judiciary/discipline/2336.htm
Primary Legislative Source	Indiana Rules of Professional Conduct, 2015
URL	http://www.in.gov/judiciary/rules/prof_conduct/

### **UNITED STATES – IOWA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Iowa
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney and Counsellors
Regulator(s) of Admission	Iowa Board of Law Examiners, Iowa Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.iowacourts.gov/For Attorneys/Bar Information Admissions/index.asp
Regulator(s) of Practice	Iowa Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.iowacourts.gov/ http://www.iowacourts.gov/For_Attorneys/Bar_InformationAdmissions/index.asp
Disciplinary Authorities	Attorney Disciplinary Board and the Grievance Commission of the Supreme Court of Iowa.
Contact/URL	http://www.iowacourts.gov/For_Attorneys/Attorney_StandardsDiscipline /Disciplinary_Procedures/
Primary Legislative Source	lowa Rules of Professional Conduct, 2012
URL	https://www.legis.iowa.gov/docs/ACO/CourtRulesChapter/12-31- 2012.32.pdf

### **UNITED STATES – KANSAS**

Legal Jurisdiction	Kansas
Lawyer Title(s)	Lawyer
Regulator(s) of Admission	State of Kansas Board of Law Examiners, Kansas Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.kscourts.org/appellate-clerk/board-of-law-examiners/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Kansas Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.kscourts.org/rules/rule- list.asp?r1=Rules+Relating+to+Discipline+of+Attorneys
Disciplinary Authorities	Office of the Disciplinary Administrator, Kansas Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.kscourts.org/rules-procedures-forms/attorney-discipline/
Primary Legislative Source	Kansas Rules of Professional Conduct
URL	http://www.kscourts.org/rules/rule- list.asp?r1=Rules+Relating+to+Discipline+of+Attorneys

### **UNITED STATES – KENTUCKY**

Legal Jurisdiction	Kentucky
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney at law
Regulator(s) of Admission	Office of Bar Admissions, Kentucky Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://www.kyoba.org/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Kentucky Bar Association under the Supreme Court of Kentucky
Contact/URL	http://www.kybar.org/?SCR3
Disciplinary Authorities	Office of the Bar Counsel, Kentucky Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://www.kybar.org/?page=attdis
Primary Legislative Source	Kentucky Rules of Professional Conduct
URL	http://www.kybar.org/?page=Rulesprofessional

### **UNITED STATES – LOUISIANA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Louisiana
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney/Counsellor at Law
Regulator(s) of Admission	Louisiana Supreme Court Committee on Bar Admission
Contact/URL	https://www.lascba.org/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Louisiana Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.lasc.org/la_judicial_entities/disciplinary_board.asp
Disciplinary Authorities	Louisiana Attorney Disciplinary Board
Contact/URL	https://www.ladb.org/index.aspx
Primary Legislative Source	Louisiana Rules of Professional Conduct
URL	https://www.ladb.org/Resources/Publications/

### **UNITED STATES – MAINE**

Legal Jurisdiction	Maine
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney at Law
Regulator(s) of Admission	State of Maine Board of Bar Examiners, Maine Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://mainebarexaminers.org/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Board of Overseers of the Bar, State of Maine
Contact/URL	http://www.mebaroverseers.org/
Disciplinary Authorities	Board of Overseers of the Bar, State of Maine
Contact/URL	http://www.mebaroverseers.org/attorney_regulation/maine_conduct_rules html
Primary Legislative Source	Maine Rules of Professional Conduct
URL	http://www.mebaroverseers.org/attorney_regulation/maine_conduct_ruleshtml

### **UNITED STATES – MARYLAND**

Legal Jurisdiction	Maryland
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney
Regulator(s) of Admission	Maryland State Board of Law Examiners, Maryland Court of Appeals
Contact/URL	http://www.mdcourts.gov/ble/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Maryland Court of Appeals
Contact/URL	http://mdcourts.gov/lawyers/
Disciplinary Authorities	The Attorney Grievance Commission of Maryland, Office of Bar Counsel, investigates and prosecutes lawyers for disciplinary violations. The Court of Appeals of Maryland makes decisions regarding disciplinary sanctions to be imposed and other matters affecting licensure of lawyers.
Contact/URL	http://mdcourts.gov/attygrievance/
Primary Legislative Source	Maryland Rules of Professional Conduct
URL	http://www.courts.state.md.us/attygrievance/rules.html

### **UNITED STATES - MASSACHUSETTS**

Legal Jurisdiction	Massachusetts
Lawyer Title(s) Regulator(s) of Admission	Attorney at Law Board of Bar Overseers and the Office of the Bar Counsel
Contact/URL	www.mass.gov/obcbbo
Regulator(s) of Practice	Board of Bar Overseers and the Office of the Bar Counsel
Contact/URL	www.mass.gov/obcbbo
Disciplinary Authorities	Board of Bar Overseers and the Office of the Bar Counsel
Contact/URL	www.mass.gov/obcbbo
Primary Legislative Source	Massachusetts Rules of Professional Conduct
URL	http://www.mass.gov/obcbbo/RPC.pdf

### **UNITED STATES – MICHIGAN**

Legal Jurisdiction	Michigan
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney at Law
Regulator(s) of Admission	State Board of Law Examiners, Michigan Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://courts.mi.gov/courts/michigansupremecourt/ble/pages/default.aspx http://www.michbar.org/professional/home
Regulator(s) of Practice	Michigan Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://courts.mi.gov/courts/michigansupremecourt/rules/documents/michigan%20rules%20of%20professional%20conduct.pd http://www.agcmi.com/
Disciplinary Authorities	The Michigan Attorney Discipline Board is the adjudicative arm of the Michigan Supreme Court for discharge of its exclusive constitutional responsibility to supervise and discipline Michigan attorneys. The Attorney Grievance Commission is the investigative and prosecutorial arm of the Michigan Supreme Court for allegations of attorney misconduct.
Contact/URL	http://www.adbmich.org/
Primary Legislative Source	Michigan Rules of Professional Conduct
URL	http://courts.mi.gov/courts/michigansupremecourt/rules/documents/michigan%20rules%20of%20professional%20conduct.pdf

### **UNITED STATES – MINNESOTA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Minnesota
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney at Law
Regulator(s) of Admission	Minnesota State Board of Law Examiners, Minnesota Supreme Court
Contact/URL	https://www.ble.state.mn.us/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Lawyer Professional Responsibility Board, Minnesota Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://lprb.mncourts.gov/rules/Pages/MRPC.aspx
Disciplinary Authorities	Lawyer Professional Responsibility Board, Minnesota Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://lprb.mncourts.gov/Pages/Default.aspx
Primary Legislative Source	Minnesota Rules of Professional Conduct
URL	http://lprb.mncourts.gov/rules/Pages/MRPC.aspx

### **UNITED STATES - MISSISSIPPI**

Legal Jurisdiction	Mississippi
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney at Law
Regulator(s) of Admission	Mississippi Board of Bar Admissions, Mississippi State Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://courts.ms.gov/baradmissions/baradmissions.html
Regulator(s) of Practice	Mississippi Supreme Court
Contact/URL	https://courts.ms.gov/rules/msrulesofcourt/rules_of_professional_conduct.pdf
Disciplinary Authorities	Mississippi Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://courts.ms.gov/rules/msrulesofcourt/rules of discipline.pdf
Primary Legislative Source	Mississippi Rules of Professional Conduct
URL	https://courts.ms.gov/rules/msrulesofcourt/rules_of_professional_conduct.pdf

# UNITED STATES - MISSOURI

Legal Jurisdiction	Missouri
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney/Counsellor at Law
Regulator(s) of Admission	Missouri Board of Law Examiners, Missouri Bar Association
Contact/URL	https://www.mble.org/home
Regulator(s) of Practice	Advisory Committee, Missouri Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://molegalethics.org/
Disciplinary Authorities	Office of Chief Disciplinary Counsel, Missouri Supreme Court
Contact/URL	https://www.courts.mo.gov/page.jsp?id=217
Primary Legislative Source	Missouri Rules of Professional Conduct
URL	http://www.courts.mo.gov/page.jsp?id=707

### **UNITED STATES – MONTANA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Montana
Lawyer Title(s)	Licensed Attorney
Regulator(s) of Admission	Board of Bar Examiners, Montana Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://courts.mt.gov/supreme/boards/examiners
Regulator(s) of Practice	Commission on Practice, Montana Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://courts.mt.gov/supreme/boards/cop
Disciplinary Authorities	Office on Disciplinary Counsel, Montana Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.montanaodc.org/
Primary Legislative Source	Montana Rules of Professional Conduct
URL	https://www.law.cornell.edu/ethics/mt/code/MT_CODE.HTM

### **UNITED STATES – NEBRASKA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Nebraska
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney
Regulator(s) of Admission	Nebraska State Bar Commission, Nebraska Supreme Court
Contact/URL	https://supremecourt.nebraska.gov/2577/nebraska-state-bar-commission
Regulator(s) of Practice	Attorney Services Division of the Nebraska Supreme Court
Contact/URL	https://supremecourt.nebraska.gov/13448/attorney-services-division-nebraska-supreme-court
Disciplinary Authorities	Office for the Counsel of Discipline, Nebraska Supreme Court
Contact/URL	https://supremecourt.nebraska.gov/4805/counsel-discipline
Primary Legislative Source	Nebraska Rules of Professional Conduct
URL	https://supremecourt.nebraska.gov/supreme-court-rules/ch3/art5

### **UNITED STATES – NEVADA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Nevada
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney
Regulator(s) of Admission	Admissions Department of the State Bar of Nevada
Contact/URL	http://www.nvbar.org/content/admissions
Regulator(s) of Practice	Supreme Court of Nevada
Contact/URL	http://www.leg.state.nv.us/courtrules/RPC.html
Disciplinary Authorities	Office of Bar Counsel, State Bar of Nevada
Contact/URL	http://www.nvbar.org/content/ethics-discipline
Primary Legislative Source	Nevada Rules of Professional Conduct
URL	https://www.leg.state.nv.us/CourtRules/RPC.html

### **UNITED STATES – NEW HAMPSHIRE**

Legal Jurisdiction	New Hampshire
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney
Regulator(s) of Admission	New Hampshire Board Bar Examiners, NH Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.courts.state.nh.us/nhbar/
Regulator(s) of Practice	New Hampshire Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.courts.state.nh.us/supreme/
Disciplinary Authorities	New Hampshire Supreme Court Attorney Discipline System
Contact/URL	www.courts.state.nh.us/bar
Primary Legislative Source	New Hampshire Rules of Professional Conduct
URL	http://www.courts.state.nh.us/rules/pcon/

### **UNITED STATES – NEW JERSEY**

Legal Jurisdiction	New Jersey
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney at Law
Regulator(s) of Admission	New Jersey Board of Bar Examiners, New Jersey Supreme Court
Contact/URL	https://www.njbarexams.org/home
Regulator(s) of Practice	1. The body responsible for regulating lawyers is the Supreme Court of New Jersey. 2. The body responsible for investigating and prosecuting lawyers for disciplinary violations is the Office of Attorney Ethics. The Disciplinary Review Board is the intermediate appellate tribunal for disciplinary matters. Our website address is www.judicary.state.nj.us/oae
Contact/URL	http://www.judiciary.state.nj.us/oae/
Disciplinary Authorities	Office of Disciplinary Review Board Counsel, New Jersey Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.judiciary.state.nj.us/drb/index.htm
Primary Legislative Source	New Jersey Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct
URL	https://www.law.cornell.edu/ethics/nj/code/NJ_CODE.HTM

# **UNITED STATES – NEW MEXICO**

Legal Jurisdiction	New Mexico
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney at Law
Regulator(s) of Admission	New Mexico Board of Bar Examiners
Contact/URL	http://nmexam.info/
Regulator(s) of Practice	New Mexico Bar Association under the guidance of the Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.nmbar.org/nmstatebar/AboutUs/Nmstatebar/About Us/Overview.aspx?hkey=17a9ff1f-c7cc-4222-8b74-af5ac0ff0211
Disciplinary Authorities	The Disciplinary Board of the Supreme Court of New Mexico
Contact/URL	http://www.nmdisboard.org/
Primary Legislative Source	New Mexico Rules of Professional Conduct
URL	https://www.law.cornell.edu/ethics/nm/code/NM_CODE.htm

# **UNITED STATES – NEW YORK**

Legal Jurisdiction	New York
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney/Counsellor at Law
Regulator(s) of Admission	New York State Board of Law Examiners, New York State Court of Appeals
Contact/URL	http://www.nybarexam.org/
Regulator(s) of Practice	New York State, Unified Court System
Contact/URL	http://www.nycourts.gov/rules/jointappellate/ny-rules-prof-conduct-1200.pdf
Disciplinary Authorities	Attorney Grievance Committee,
Contact/URL	http://www.nycourts.gov/attorneys/grievance/complaints.shtml
Primary Legislative Source	New York Rules of Professional Conduct
URL	http://www.nycourts.gov/rules/jointappellate/ny-rules-prof-conduct-1200.pdf

# **UNITED STATES – NORTH CAROLINA**

Legal Jurisdiction	North Carolina
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney at Law/Lawyer
Regulator(s) of Admission	North Carolina Board of Bar Examiners
Contact/URL	https://ncble.org/
Regulator(s) of Practice	North Carolina State Bar, North Carolina Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.ncbar.gov/rules/rpcsearch.asp
Disciplinary Authorities	North Carolina State Bar Grievance Committee, Disciplinary Hearing Commission
Contact/URL	http://www.ncbar.gov
Primary Legislative Source	North Carolina Rules of Professional Conduct
URL	http://www.ncbar.com/rules/rpcsearch.asp

# **UNITED STATES – NORTH DAKOTA**

Legal Jurisdiction	North Dakota
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney at Law
Regulator(s) of Admission	Board of Law Examiners, North Dakota Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.ndcourts.gov/court/committees/barbd/board.asp
Regulator(s) of Practice	Joint Committee on Attorney Standards, North Dakota Supreme Court
Contact/URL	https://www.ndcourts.gov/court/committees/disc_brd/Information.htm
Disciplinary Authorities	Office of Disciplinary Counsel, Disciplinary Board, North Dakota Supreme Court
Contact/URL	https://www.ndcourts.gov/court/committees/disc_brd/committee.asp
Primary Legislative Source	North Dakota Rules of Professional Conduct
URL	http://www.ndcourts.gov/rules/conduct/frameset.htm

# **UNITED STATES – OHIO**

Legal Jurisdiction	Ohio
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney at Law
Regulator(s) of Admission	Office of Bar Admissions, Ohio Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.supremecourt.ohio.gov/AttySvcs/admissions/default.aspx
Regulator(s) of Practice	Utah Supreme Court; Ethics and Discipline Committee of the Utah Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.utcourts.gov/
Disciplinary Authorities	Office of Professional Conduct
Contact/URL	http://www.utahbar.org/opc/
Primary Legislative Source	Ohio Rules of Professional Conduct
URL	http://www.supremecourt.ohio.gov/LegalResources/Rules/ProfConduct/profConductRules.pdf

# **UNITED STATES – OKLAHOMA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Oklahoma
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney at Law
Regulator(s) of Admission	Oklahoma Board of Bar Examiners
Contact/URL	http://www.okbbe.com/default.aspx?AspxAutoDetectCookieSupport=1
Regulator(s) of Practice	Professional Responsibility Commission, Oklahoma Bar Association supported by the Oklahoma Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.okbar.org/members/GeneralCounsel/PRC.aspx
Disciplinary Authorities	Office of General Counsel, Oklahoma Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://www.okbar.org/members/GeneralCounsel.aspx
Primary Legislative Source	Oklahoma Rules of Professional Conduct
URL	http://www.oscn.net/applications/oscn/index.asp?ftdb=STOKRUPR&level =1

# **UNITED STATES – OREGON**

Legal Jurisdiction	Oregon
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney at Law
Regulator(s) of Admission	Board of Bar Examiners, Oregon State Bar
Contact/URL	https://www.osbar.org/admissions
Regulator(s) of Practice	Oregon State Bar and Oregon Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.osbar.org/rulesregs/
Disciplinary Authorities	Disciplinary Counsel Office, Oregon State Bar
Contact/URL	https://www.osbar.org/discipline
Primary Legislative Source	Oregon Rules of Professional Conduct
URL	https://www.osbar.org/_docs/rulesregs/orpc.pdf

# **UNITED STATES – PENNSYLVANIA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Pennsylvania
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney/Lawyer
Regulator(s) of Admission	Pennsylvania Board of Bar Examiners
Contact/URL	http://www.pabarexam.org/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Pennsylvania Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.padisciplinaryboard.org/attorneys/rules/pennsylvania-rules-of-professional-conduct.php
Disciplinary Authorities	Disciplinary Board of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania
Contact/URL	http://www.padisciplinaryboard.org/
Primary Legislative Source	Pennsylvania Rules of Professional Conduct
URL	http://www.pacode.com/secure/data/204/chapter81/s81.4.html

# **UNITED STATES – PUERTO RICO**

Legal Jurisdiction	Puerto Rico
Lawyer Title(s)	Lawyer
Regulator(s) of Admission	Board of Bar Examiners, Supreme Court of Puerto Rico
Contact/URL	http://www.prd.uscourts.gov/?q=requirements-bar-admission
Regulator(s) of Practice	Supreme Court of Puerto Rico
Contact/URL	http://www.ramajudicialpr.com/
Disciplinary Authorities	Supreme Court of Puerto Rico
Contact/URL	http://www.ramajudicial.pr/sistema/supremo/index.htm
Primary Legislative Source	Puerto Rico Rules of Professional Conduct
URL	http://www.prd.uscourts.gov/?q=local-rules

# **UNITED STATES – RHODE ISLAND**

Legal Jurisdiction	Rhode Island
Lawyer Title(s)	Attornery at Law/Counsellor
Regulator(s) of Admission	Board of Bar Examiners, Rhode Island Supreme Court
Contact/URL	https://www.courts.ri.gov/AttorneyResources/boardofbarexaminers/Pages/default.aspx
Regulator(s) of Practice	Rhode Island Supreme Court
Contact/URL	https://www.courts.ri.gov/Pages/default.aspx
Disciplinary Authorities	Office of Disciplinary Counsel, Rhode Island Supreme Court
Contact/URL	https://www.courts.ri.gov/PublicResources/disciplinaryboard/Pages/default.aspx
Primary Legislative Source	Rhode Island Rules of Professional Conduct
URL	https://www.law.cornell.edu/ethics/ri/code/

# **UNITED STATES – SOUTH CAROLINA**

Legal Jurisdiction	South Carolina
Lawyer Title(s)	Lawyer, Attorney at Law, Attorney, Councellor at Law are all legal and acceptable titles.
Regulator(s) of Admission	Board of Law Examiners, South Carolina Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.judicial.state.sc.us/bar/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Rules of Professional Conduct, South Carolina Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.sccourts.org/courtreg/
Disciplinary Authorities	Commission on Lawyer Conduct, Office of Disciplinary Counsel, South Carolina Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.sccourts.org/discCounsel/commissionLC.cfm
Primary Legislative Source	South Carolina Rules of Professional Conduct
URL	http://www.judicial.state.sc.us/courtReg/displayRule.cfm?ruleID=407.0&subRuleID=Preamble&ruleType=APP

# **UNITED STATES – SOUTH DAKOTA**

Legal Jurisdiction	South Dakota
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney at Law
Regulator(s) of Admission	Board of Bar Examiners, South Dakota Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.ujs.sd.gov/Board_of_Bar_Examiners/
Regulator(s) of Practice	South Dakota Bar and Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.statebarofsouthdakota.com/p/cm/ld/fid=45
Disciplinary Authorities	Disciplinary Board Counsel, South Dakota Bar and Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.sdbar.org
Primary Legislative Source	South Dakota Rules of Professional Conduct
URL	https://www.law.cornell.edu/ethics/sd/code/SD_CODE.HTM

# **UNITED STATES – TENNESSEE**

Legal Jurisdiction	Tennessee
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney
Regulator(s) of Admission	Tennessee Board of Law Examiners, Tennessee Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.tnble.org/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Board of Professional Responsibility of the Tennessee Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.tbpr.org/about-the-board
Disciplinary Authorities	Chief Disciplinary Counsel, Board of Professional Responsibility of the Supreme Court of Tennessee
Contact/URL	http://www.tbpr.org/about-the-board
Primary Legislative Source	Tennessee Rules of Professional Conduct
URL	http://www.tsc.state.tn.us/rules/supreme-court/8

# **UNITED STATES – TEXAS**

Legal Jurisdiction	Texas
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney at Law
Regulator(s) of Admission	Texas Board of Law Examiners, Texas Bar Association to Texas Board of Law Examiners, Texas Supreme Court.
Contact/URL	http://www.ble.state.tx.us/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Texas Bar Association (mandatory membership to practice) and Supreme Court of Texas
Contact/URL	https://www.texasbar.com/AM/Template.cfm?Section=Grievance_Info_and_Ethics_Helpline&Template=/CM/ContentDisplay.cfm&ContentFileID=96
Disciplinary Authorities	Chief Disciplinary Counsel, State Bar of Texas
Contact/URL	http://www.texasbar.com/
Primary Legislative Source	Texas Rules of Professional Conduct
URL	https://www.texasbar.com/Content/NavigationMenu/ForLawyers/GrievanceandEthics/Toll_Free_Ethics_Helpline_for_Lawyers/default.htm

# **UNITED STATES – UTAH\***

Legal Jurisdiction	Utah
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney
Regulator(s) of Admission	Utah State Bar Office of Bar Admission
Contact/URL	http://www.utahbar.org/admissions/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Utah State Bar Office of Professional Conduct
Contact/URL	http://www.utahbar.org/opc/
Disciplinary Authorities	Utah State Bar, Office of Professional Conduct
Contact/URL	http://www.utahbar.org/public-services/
Primary Legislative Source	Utah Rules of Professional Conduct
URL	https://www.utcourts.gov/resources/rules/ucja/ch13/1_6.htm

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# **UNITED STATES – VERMONT**

Legal Jurisdiction	Vermont
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney and Counsellor at Law
Regulator(s) of Admission	Vermont Supreme Court; Vermond Board of Bar Examiners
Contact/URL	https://www.vermontjudiciary.org/LC/bbe.aspx
Regulator(s) of Practice	Vermont Supreme Court; Vermont Professional Responsibility Board
Contact/URL	https://www.vermontjudiciary.org/LC/default.aspx
Disciplinary Authorities	Office of Disciplinary Counsel; Supreme Court of Vermont
Contact/URL	https://www.vermontjudiciary.org/LC/default.aspx
Primary Legislative Source	Vermont Rules of Professional Conduct
URL	https://www.vermontjudiciary.org/LC/Shared%20Documents/VermontRulesofProfessionalConduct_withamendmentsthroughJune2011.pdf

# **UNITED STATES – VIRGIN ISLANDS**

Legal Jurisdiction	Virgin Islands
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney/Attorney at Law
Regulator(s) of Admission	The Supreme Court of the U.S. Virgin Islands
Contact/URL	http://www.visupremecourt.org/
Regulator(s) of Practice	The Supreme Court of the U.S. Virgin Islands
Contact/URL	http://www.visupremecourt.org/Court_Rules/
Disciplinary Authorities	Office of Disciplinary Counsel, V.I. Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.visupremecourt.org/Professional_Regulation/

# **UNITED STATES – VIRGINIA**

Legal Jurisdiction	Virginia
Lawyer Title(s)	Lawyer/Attorney/Counselor at Law
Regulator(s) of Admission	Board of Bar Examiners, Virgina Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://barexam.virginia.gov/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Professional Regulation Department, Virginia State Bar
Contact/URL	https://www.vsb.org/site/regulation
Disciplinary Authorities	Bar Counsel, Virgina State Bar
Contact/URL	http://www.vsb.org/
Primary Legislative Source	Virginia Rules of Professional Conduct
URL	http://www.vsb.org/docs/2009-10-pg-rpc.pdf

# **UNITED STATES – WASHINGTON**

Legal Jurisdiction	Washington
Lawyer Title(s)	Lawyer/Attorney/Attorney at Law
Regulator(s) of Admission	Washington State Bar Association, Washington Supreme Court
Contact/URL	http://www.wsba.org/Licensing-and-Lawyer-Conduct/Admissions
Regulator(s) of Practice	Washington State Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://www.wsba.org/Licensing-and-Lawyer-Conduct
Disciplinary Authorities	Chief Disciplinary Counsel Director of the Office of Disciplinary Counsel Washington State Bar Association
Contact/URL	http://www.wsba.org/Licensing-and-Lawyer-Conduct/Discipline
Primary Legislative Source	Washington Rules of Professional Conduct
URL	https://www.courts.wa.gov/court_rules/?fa=court_rules.list&group=ga&set =RPC

# **UNITED STATES – WEST VIGINIA**

West Virginia
Attorney at Law
West Virginia Board of Law Examiners, Supreme Court of Appeals
http://www.courtswv.gov/legal-community/board-of-law-examiners.html
Office of Disciplinary Council
http://www.wvodc.org/integrity.htm
Chief Lawyer Disciplinary Counsel; Office of Disciplinary Counsel; Lawyer Disciplinary Board
http://www.wvodc.org/
West Virginia Rules of Professional Conduct
http://www.wvodc.org/ropc.htm

# **UNITED STATES – WISCONSIN**

Legal Jurisdiction	Wisconsin
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney at Law
Regulator(s) of Admission	Board of Bar Examiners, Wisconsin Supreme Court
Contact/URL	www.wicourts.gov
Regulator(s) of Practice	Wisconsin Supreme Court
Contact/URL	www.wicourts.gov
Disciplinary Authorities	Director Office of Lawyer Regulation
Contact/URL	www.wicourts.gov
Primary Legislative Source	Wisconsin Rules of Professional Conduct
URL	https://www.wicourts.gov/sc/rules/chap20a.pdf

# **UNITED STATES – WYOMING**

Legal Jurisdiction	Wyoming
Lawyer Title(s)	Attorney at Law
Regulator(s) of Admission	Board of Law Examiners, Wyoming State Bar
Contact/URL	https://www.wyomingbar.org/admissions/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Wyoming State Bar (mandatory membership to practice)
Contact/URL	http://www.courts.state.wy.us/WSC/CourtRule?RuleNumber=42#651
Disciplinary Authorities	Bar Counsel Wyoming State Bar
Contact/URL	http://www.wyomingbar.org
Primary Legislative Source	Wyoming Rules of Professional Conduct
URL	http://www.courts.state.wy.us/WSC/CourtRule?RuleNumber=62

## **URUGUAY**

Legal Jurisdiction	Uruguay
Lawyer Title(s)	Abogado/a
Regulator(s) of Admission	Ministry of Education and Culture (for recognition of degree)-only for Private Universities and the Supreme Court of Justice (for admission).
Contact/URL	http://www.poderjudicial.gub.uy/institucional/poder-judicial/suprema-cortede-justicia.html
Regulator(s) of Practice	Supreme Court of Justice
Contact/URL	http://www.poderjudicial.gub.uy/institucional/poder-judicial/suprema-cortede-justicia.html
Disciplinary Authorities	Supreme Court of Justice
Contact/URL	http://www.poderjudicial.gub.uy/institucional/poder-judicial/suprema-cortede-justicia.html
Other Bodies	Colegio de Abogados del Uruguay
Contact/URL	http://www.colegiodeabogados.org/2011/
Primary Legislative Source	Law 15.750 - 1985
URL	http://www.impo.com.uy/bases/leyes/15750-1985

# **VANUATU\***

Legal Jurisdiction	Vanuatu
Lawyer Title(s)	Legal Practitioner
Regulator(s) of Admission	The Admissions Committee of the Law Council of Vanuatu
Contact/URL	www.paclii.org/vu/legis/consol_act1988/lpa207.rtf
Regulator(s) of Practice	Law Council of Vanuatu monitors, enacted by the President and Parliament of the Republic Vanuatu
Contact/URL	www.paclii.org/vu/legis/num_act/lpa2005179.rtf
Disciplinary Authorities	The Discipline Committee of the Law Council of Vanuatu
Contact/URL	ozols@vanuatu.com.vu
Other Bodies	South Pacific Lawyers Association
Contact/URL	http://www.southpacificlawyers.org/about

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

## **VENEZUELA\***

Legal Jurisdiction	Venezuela
Lawyer Title(s)	Abogado/a
Regulator(s) of Admission	Local Colegio de Abogados (there are 22) - once admitted practise is Federal
Contact/URL	http://www.ilustrecolegiodeabogadosdecaracas.com/
Regulator(s) of Practice	Local Colegio de Abogados but code of ethics is national
Contact/URL	http://www.ilustrecolegiodeabogadosdecaracas.com/
Disciplinary Authorities	Local Colegio de Abogados
Contact/URL	http://www.ilustrecolegiodeabogadosdecaracas.com/
Other Bodies	Federacion de Colegios de Abogados
Contact/URL	Av. La Salle, Torre Inpreabogado, Piso 11, Los Caobos Venezuela
Primary Legislative Source	Ley de Abogados y Codigo Etica, Gaceta Oficial Nº 33.357 del 25 de noviembre de 1985 FEDERACIÓN DE COLEGIOS DE ABOGADOS DE VENEZUELA
URL	http://derechovenezolano.com/2012/08/21/ley-de-abogados-y-codigo-de-etica-profesional-del-abogado-venezolano/

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## **VIETNAM\***

Legal Jurisdiction	Divided into municipalities and provinces, and while all are under one central control, local custom does often dictate law practices.  Municipalities include: Ha Noi, Ho Chi Minh, Can Tho, Da Nang, and Hai Phong. There are approx. 60 provinces.
Lawyer Title(s)	Lawyer
Regulator(s) of Admission	Regulated by the Ministry of Justice and by various bar societies in each province. Vietnam Bar Federation was formed in 2009, and membership is available to all lawyers working in Vietnam. The Bar association of the area in which the lawyer practices issues a license to the member.
Contact/URL	http://moj.gov.vn/en/Pages/home.aspx
Regulator(s) of Practice	Regulated by the Ministry of Justice and monitored by regional bar societies.
Contact/URL	http://moj.gov.vn/en/Pages/home.aspx
Disciplinary Authorities	Ministry of Justice after investigation and recommendation from regional bar society of the accused.
Contact/URL	http://moj.gov.vn/en/Pages/home.aspx
Other Bodies	Ministry of Justice
Contact/URL	http://moj.gov.vn/en/Pages/home.aspx
Primary Legislative Source	LAW On Lawyers (No. 65/2006/QH11)
URL	http://moj.gov.vn/vbpq/en/Lists/Vn%20bn%20php%20lut/View_Detail.asp x?ltemID=4766

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# YEMEN\*

Legal Jurisdiction	Yemen
Lawyer Title(s)	Lawyer
Regulator(s) of Admission	Law graduates seeking to become independent advocates (licensed to appear in court) must be a member of the YBA. Law on Advocacy specifices that a three-year training course must be completed, but this seldom occurs. Instead, many law graduates can apply to the YBA for placement at a lawyer's office. After completion, without final exam, trainees can become practicing lawyers. However, some judges permitt nonlicensed shari'a agents to appear before the court, as well as husbands or close family members.
Contact/URL	Yemeni Bar Association
Regulator(s) of Practice	YBA, a quasi-governmental body, is the statutory regulator.
Contact/URL	Yemeni Bar Association
Disciplinary Authorities	Law on Advocacy dictates that the Yemeni Bar Association handles disciplinary matters. Warranted complaints are referred to disciplinary panels headed by Court of Appeal judges.
Contact/URL	Yemeni Bar Association: P.O. Box 2631 Sanaa, Yemen
Other Bodies	Legal Affairs Ministry
Contact/URL	http://www.yemen-nic.info/english_site/ministations/detail.php?ID=70334
Primary Legislative Source	Law on Advocacy

<sup>\*</sup>Information not officially verified

# ZAMBIA\*

Legal Jurisdiction	Zambia
Lawyer Title(s)	Legal Practitioner
Regulator(s) of Admission	Law Association of Zambia
Contact/URL	www.laz.org.zm
Regulator(s) of Practice	Law Association of Zambia
Contact/URL	http://www.laz.org.zm/
Disciplinary Authorities	Legal Practitioners Committee of the Law Association of Zambia.
Contact/URL	http://www.laz.org.zm/2014/07/01/legal-practitioners-committee/
Primary Legislative Source	Legal Practitioners Act 2006, Cap 30 and Law Association of Zambia Act, Cap 31 (http://www.zamlii.org/zm/legislation/consolidated-act/30)
URL	http://www.zamlii.org/zm/legislation/consolidated-act/30

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## **ZIMBABWE**

Legal Jurisdiction	Zimbabwe
Lawyer Title(s)	Legal Practitioner/Advocate/Attorney
Regulator(s) of Admission	The High Court of Zimbabwe
Contact/URL	http://www.jsc.org.zw/index.php/court-addresses-judges/high-court
Regulator(s) of Practice	The Law Society of Zimbabwe (replaced previous bar association in 1981.) Ethical codes include Section 23 of Legal Practitioners Act.
Contact/URL	http://www.parlzim.gov.zw/attachments/article/114/LEGAL_PRACTITIONERS_ACT_27_07.pdf
Disciplinary Authorities	Law Society of Zimbabwe (Disciplinary and Ethics Committee) Legal Practitioners Disciplinary Tribunal. (comprises of Two High Court Judges and Two Legal Practitioners)
Contact/URL	http://www.jsc.org.zw/index.php/court-addresses-judges/high-court http://www.lawsociety.org.zw/
Other Bodies	The High Court of Zimbabwe
Contact/URL	http://www.jsc.org.zw/index.php/court-addresses-judges/high-court
Primary Legislative Source	Legal Practitioners Act, Title 27.
URL	https://www.yumpu.com/en/document/view/25158819/legal-practitioners-act-vol27-no07-zimbabwe-parliament