

Chief Justice's Panel of Temporary Deputy Registrars

The Panel

1. The Chief Justice would like to establish a panel of barristers and solicitors who are willing to serve as Temporary Deputy Registrars in the High Court. It will be known as the Chief Justice's Panel of Temporary Deputy Registrars. Having practitioners serve in this capacity would assist the functioning of the Registry. At the same time, this would provide practitioners with judicial experience which they may find valuable.

Time required

2. A barrister or solicitor on the panel is expected to sit as Temporary Deputy Registrar for a period of 4 weeks (usually consecutive) in the course of a 2 year period. (If the person concerned has more time available for sitting, he or she may be called upon to do so.) Usually, the Temporary Deputy Registrar would hear cases on the special chambers list.

Composition of the panel

3. (a) The Panel would consist of a substantial number of practitioners.
(b) They will be selected by the Chief Justice in consultation with the Chief Judge and the Registrar of the High Court from among those expressing an interest.
(c) Those selected would remain on the panel for 2 years. After 2 years, the Chief Justice would review this arrangement.

Eligibility requirements

4. To be eligible for consideration, the barristers or solicitor usually:
(a) must have 10 years professional experience as a barrister and/or solicitor and
(b) must have been engaged primarily in the field of High Court civil litigation in the last 5 years.

5. Those barristers and solicitors who wish to be considered for the Panel should write to the **Registrar High Court at 38 Queensway, Hong Kong** by **31st January 2002** in an envelope marked "**Confidential – TDR Application**" enclosing a curriculum vitae, which should include a description of the person's experience in High Court civil litigation. It should state his or her proficiency in the Chinese language if any (note this is not a requirement). If the person concerned is available for more than 4 weeks, the approximate time available for sitting should be indicated (note this will not be a factor in selection).