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**KATHERINE WENTWORTH (ADMISSION AS LEGAL
PRACTITIONER) BILL 1994**

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This Explanatory Note relates to this Bill as introduced into Parliament)

The object of this Bill is to provide for the admission of Ms Katherine Wentworth as a legal practitioner. The Bill requires the issue to her of a practising certificate as a barrister.

Clause 1 specifies the short title of the proposed Act.

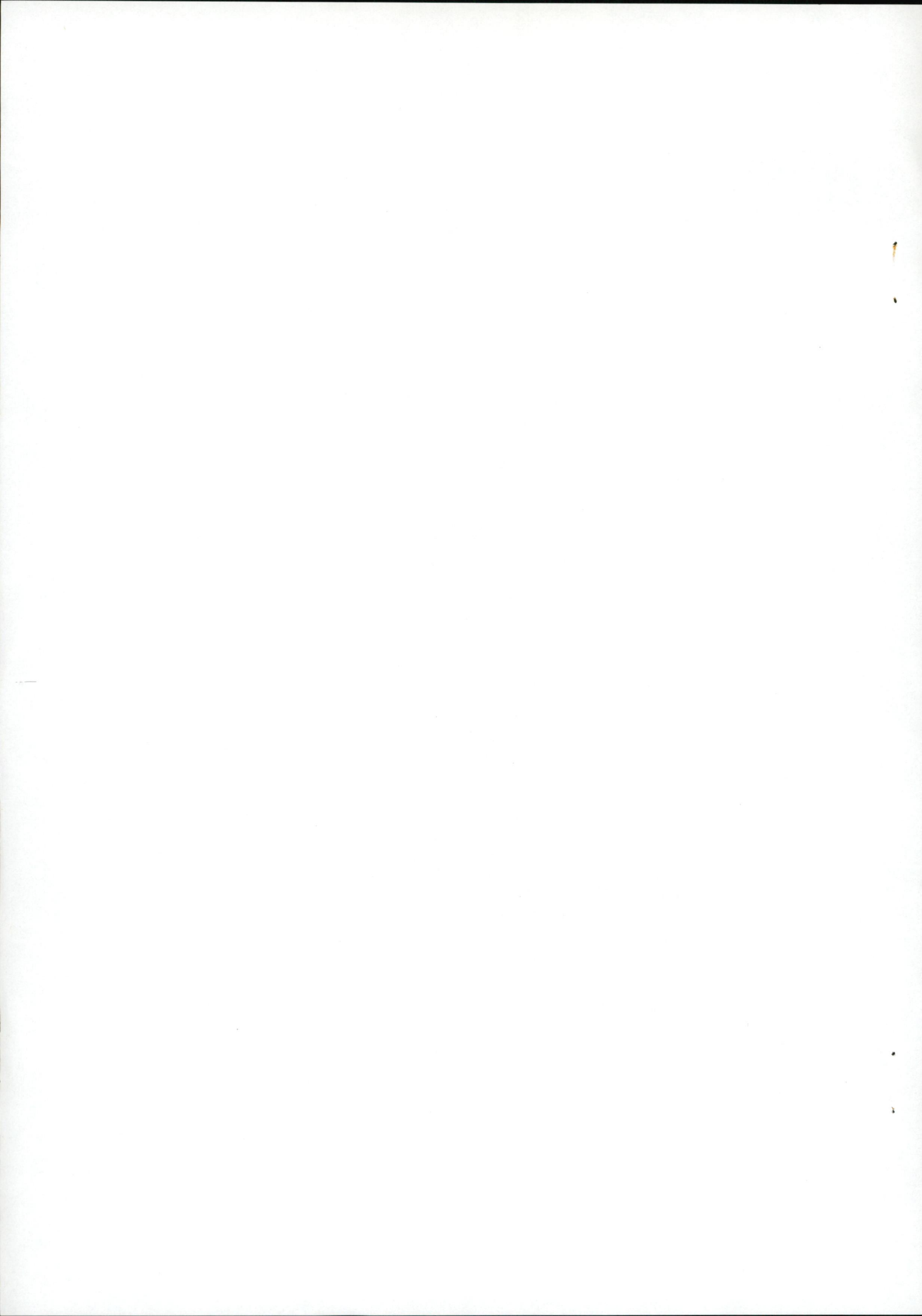
Clause 2 provides for the commencement of the proposed Act. It will commence either one month after the Bill is assented to by the Governor or when certain amendments made by the Legal Profession Reform Act 1993 commence (whichever is the later).

Clause 3 stipulates that words and expressions used in the Bill have the same meanings as in the Legal Profession Act 1987. The clause also identifies Ms Wentworth as a party in certain litigation.

Clause 4 provides that the Supreme Court is taken to have admitted Ms Wentworth as a legal practitioner.

Clause 5 provides that the Bar Council must issue Ms Wentworth with a practising certificate as a barrister.

Clause 6 states that the Legal Profession Act 1987 is otherwise applicable to Ms Wentworth.



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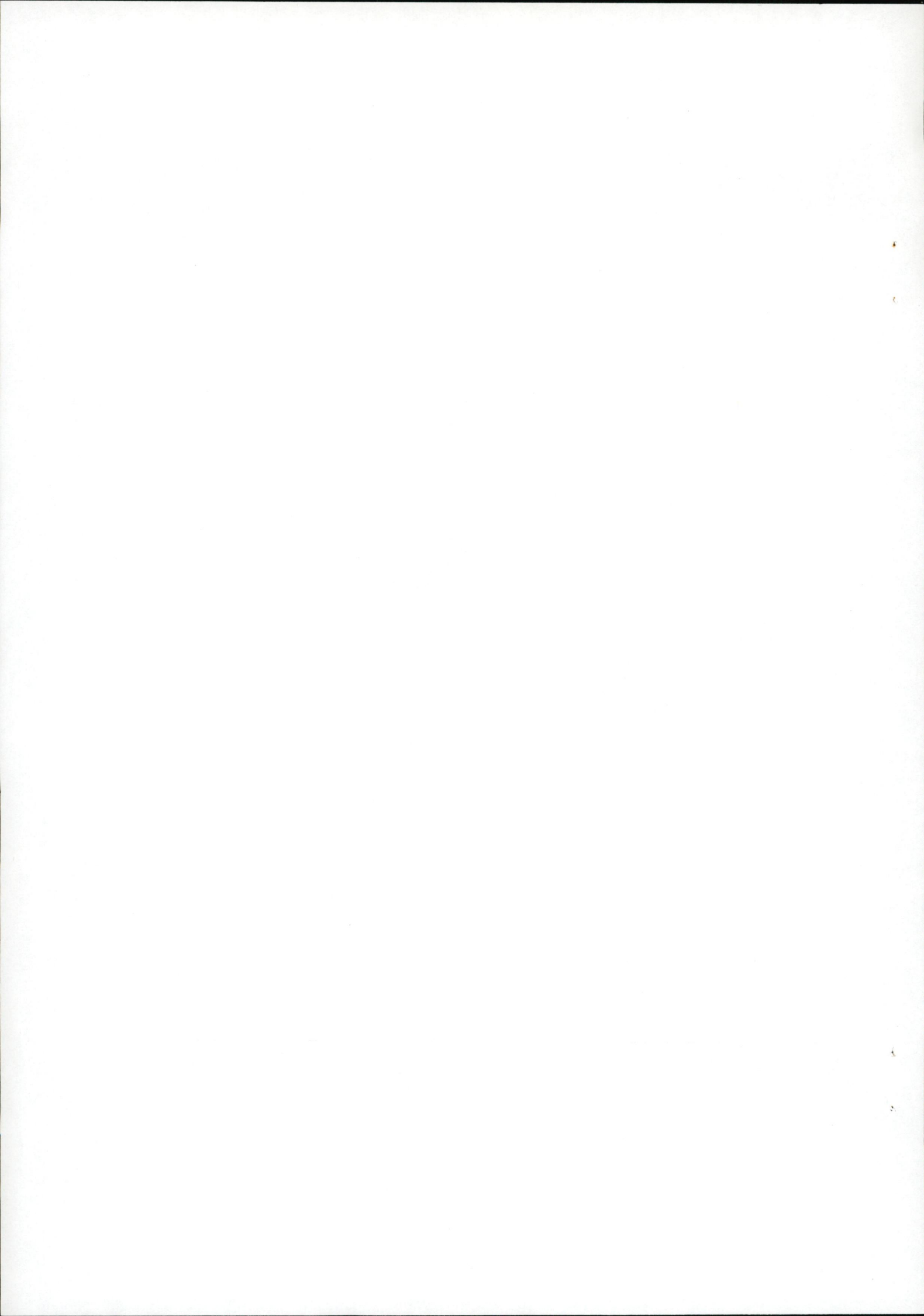
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No. , 1994

A BILL FOR

An Act for the admission of Katherine Wentworth as a legal practitioner.

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The Legislature of New South Wales enacts:

Short title

1. This Act may be cited as the Katherine Wentworth (Admission as Legal Practitioner) Act 1994.

5 **Commencement**

2. This Act commences:

(a) one month after the date of assent to this Act; or

(b) on the commencement of Schedule 1 (2) to the Legal Profession Reform Act 1993,

10 whichever is the later.

Definitions

3. (1) Words and expressions used in this Act have the same meanings as they have in the Legal Profession Act 1987.

15 (2) This Act applies to Katherine Wentworth, who was the appellant in the proceedings in *Wentworth v NSW Bar Association*, judgment in which was delivered in the Supreme Court on 14 February 1994.

Admission as a legal practitioner

20 4. (1) The Supreme Court is taken to have admitted and enrolled Katherine Wentworth as a legal practitioner under and in accordance with the Legal Profession Act 1987 on the date of commencement of this Act.

(2) Katherine Wentworth is, on and from her admission as a legal practitioner and while a legal practitioner, an officer of the Supreme Court.

Issue of practising certificate as a barrister

25 5. (1) The Bar Council must, on application made by Katherine Wentworth, immediately grant her an unrestricted practising certificate authorising her to practise as a barrister, subject to payment of the appropriate fees under section 29 of the Legal Profession Act 1987.

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(2) No conditions can be attached to the practising certificate so granted to Katherine Wentworth, either when it is issued or at any time after it is issued. However, conditions can be attached if she agrees to their being attached or if they relate to:

- (a) continuing legal education (provided conditions relating to this are the same as those imposed in relation to a substantial class of barristers); or 5
- (b) conduct occurring after her admission as a legal practitioner.

(3) The practising certificate so granted to Katherine Wentworth is taken to have been granted and issued under and in accordance with the Legal Profession Act 1987. 10

Application of Legal Profession Act 1987

6. Subject to and except as provided by this Act, the Legal Profession Act 1987 applies to and in relation to Katherine Wentworth.
