

# NATIONAL FORUM OF ADVOCATES NASIONALE FORUM VAN ADVOKATE

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Dear Advocate ,

## RE: REQUIREMENTS FOR MEMBERSHIP OF THE NATIONAL FORUM OF ADVOCATES

1. Enclosed herewith please find an application form for membership and a summary of monthly expenditures of a member.
2. Kindly note that all members of the National Forum of Advocates must practise from approved chambers. A maximum of two members may share chambers, however the sharing of chambers is not encouraged.
3. To apply for membership, kindly submit your written application for membership together with a **detailed curriculum vitae**, a **copy of your ID**, and the **Court Order** in respect of your **admission as an advocate** at the above e-mail address to:

The Secretary  
National Forum of Advocates

Yours faithfully

*Signed : JJS Prinsloo SC*

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For : SECRETARY- BAR COUNCIL NFA

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**APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP  
NATIONAL FORUM OF ADVOCATES**

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1. Full names:

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1.1. ID number:

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1.2. Residential address:

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Postal address:

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1.3. Telephone number (home): \_\_\_\_\_

Cell-phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone number (business): \_\_\_\_\_

Fax number: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

2. The address where you currently keep chambers and from where you practise:

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3. The period that you kept chambers at the abovementioned address:

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4. The date of your admission as an Advocate:

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(Please attach a photocopy of the court order by which you were admitted as an advocate)

5. The period you have already practised as an Advocate:

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6. The period (s) you have practised as an Advocate in different fields of the law, eg. Criminal Law, Civil Law, Labour Law (Please set this out in your Curriculum Vitae ("CV") which should be attached hereto):

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7. Have you undergone pupillage and passed the examination(s) in respect thereof?  
If yes, please supply full particulars thereof.

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8. Have you actively worked in one of the following categories:

8.1 For a period of at least twelve (12) months as:

(i) A member of any Constituent Bar, i.e. Bars affiliated to the General Council of the Bar of South Africa:

Answer: Yes/No: \_\_\_\_\_

Period: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of the Bar: \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) A State Advocate:

Answer: Yes/No: \_\_\_\_\_

Period: \_\_\_\_\_

(iii) A Regional Court Magistrate:

Answer: Yes/No: \_\_\_\_\_

Period: \_\_\_\_\_

(iv) An Attorney:

Answer: Yes/No: \_\_\_\_\_

Period: \_\_\_\_\_

(v) A Professor or Senior Lecturer, lecturing any one of the following branches of law at any recognised tertiary Law School in South Africa:  
The Law of Arbitration; Civil Law; Constitutional and Administrative Law; Criminal Law; Forensic Law; Labour Law:

Answer: Yes/No: \_\_\_\_\_

Period: \_\_\_\_\_

8.2 For a period for at least twenty four (24) months as:

(i) An Advocate not a member of any Constituent Bar:

Answer: Yes/No: \_\_\_\_\_

Period: \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) A Regional Court Prosecutor:

Answer: Yes/No: \_\_\_\_\_

Period: \_\_\_\_\_

(iii) A District Court Magistrate:

Answer: Yes/No: \_\_\_\_\_

Period: \_\_\_\_\_

(iv) A Labour Consultant:

Answer: Yes/No: \_\_\_\_\_

Period: \_\_\_\_\_

(v) A Public Defender:

Answer: Yes/No: \_\_\_\_\_

Period: \_\_\_\_\_

(vi) A Legal Adviser:

Answer: Yes/No: \_\_\_\_\_

Period: \_\_\_\_\_

9. Do you consider yourself as a suitable person for membership of the National Forum of Advocates?

Answer: Yes/No: \_\_\_\_\_

Please briefly motivate your answer

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10. Any facts which should be brought to the attention of the Bar Council which may influence your suitability as a member of the National Forum of Advocates:

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11. Have you ever been subjected to an investigation against you for professional misconduct either as an employee or as a legal practitioner? If so, give full details:

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12. I hereby give permission to the Bar Council of the NFA to make any enquiries which it may deem necessary pertaining to my application and eligibility for membership of the NFA.

\* Yes/No: (\*Delete whichever is not applicable)

13. Are you in possession of the rules of professional conduct in the Code of Conduct for Legal Practitioners published by the Legal Practice Council which is also the Code of Conduct of the National Forum of Advocates?

Answer: Yes/No: \_\_\_\_\_

13.1 Did you study the contents of the abovementioned rules so that you are conversant with the contents of the abovementioned rules?

Answer: Yes/No: \_\_\_\_\_

13.2 Do you declare that you are prepared, as a member of the National Forum of Advocates, to be disciplined by the National Forum of Advocates and to adhere to the rules of the National Forum of Advocates?

Answer: Yes/No: \_\_\_\_\_

14 Any other information that you would like to submit for consideration of your application to the Bar Council of the National Forum of Advocates:

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Signed at \_\_\_\_\_ on this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_

**APPLICANT:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**CURRENT BASIC FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS OF MEMBERS**

**A.     Joining fee:                                     R1 500-00    (all members)**

**B.   R450-00 per month –payable to the national fund of the NFA (by Debit order )**

**Account details :**

**Bank : ABSA , Ghandi Square**

**Account name : National Forum of Advocates**

**Account number : 40- 4890- 8650**

**Type : Cheque**

**C.   The monthly branch contributions set by the Relevant Branch and approved by the Bar Council of the NFA. This amount is utilised by the Branch and administered by the Branch itself by means of its own Branch Executive.**