

## STANDARDS OF ADMISSION FOR THE REGISTER OF ARBITRATORS OF MALDIVES INTERNATIONAL ARBITRATION CENTRE

Maldives International Arbitration Centre (MIAC) shall maintain a Register of Arbitrators comprising of two lists:

- 1. The Primary Panel of Arbitrators of MIAC
- 2. The Secondary List of Arbitrators of MIAC

The Primary Panel of Arbitrators consists of senior members in the field of international arbitration with substantial experience acting as arbitrator.

The Secondary List of Arbitrators consists of members who have adequate knowledge and experience in the field of international arbitration but who may have not yet received an appointment as arbitrator.

The following standards shall apply when admitting members to the Register of Arbitrators of MIAC:

- 1. Candidates who wish to be admitted should demonstrate necessary experience and qualification and warrant that they are available to accept appointment as arbitrator for cases administered by MIAC.
- 2. Candidates may apply at any time to MIAC. Admission to the Primary Panel and Secondary List shall be determined by the Board of MIAC. The Board shall review applications and admit qualified persons on a quarterly basis.
- 3. In order to apply, a completed Application Form should be submitted with a copy of the candidate's Curriculum Vitae and references (if any) in English.
- 4. As a minimum, the following standards will be considered by MIAC in admitting a person to the Register of Arbitrators.

**Primary Panel of Arbitrators** 

- i. A tertiary educational qualification and at least ten (10) years of professional experience in the field of practice;
- ii. Demonstrate substantial experience in international arbitration;
- iii. Confirm that the candidate has not been found guilty of a criminal offence;
- iv. Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators or recommended by a Fellow or has drafted at least one (1) international arbitral award.

## **Secondary List of Arbitrators**

- i. A tertiary educational qualification and at least ten (10) years of professional experience in the field of practice;
- ii. Demonstrate knowledge and experience of international arbitration at an interview conducted by the Board of MIAC or a designated Committee;
- iii. Confirm that the candidate has not been found guilty of a criminal offence;
- iv. Member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators or recommended by a person who is a Fellow or the candidate has acted as counsel or cocounsel in at least one hearing in an international arbitration.
- 5. In exceptional circumstances, candidates who do not meet the minimum standards may be considered for either of the lists at the discretion of the Board, if the candidate has demonstrated substantial experience and expertise in arbitration or a particular field.
- 6. MIAC also may at its discretion invite persons fulfilling certain standards of good character and standing to apply for the purposes of increasing diversity of the Register of Arbitrators including gender, nationality, language ability or expertise in a particular field.
- 7. MIAC has the discretion to accept or reject applications for inclusion in the Register of Arbitrators of MIAC on the basis of qualifications and standing. Any such decision of MIAC to admit or reject an application is final.
- 8. Admission to the Register of Arbitrators of MIAC shall be for a fixed term. MIAC also reserves the right to remove a member from the Register at any time.