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## 2014 CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE

This Certificate of Insurance and the attached sample Schedule in Appendix 1 forms part of the Pacific & Orient Insurance Co. Berhad Master Policy No. 129713U7000002 issued to the Malaysian Bar for and on behalf of its Members and it is hereby certified that this insurance has been effected for those Members named in the Schedule hereunder in respect of the Limits of Indemnity specified and for the Period of Insurance stated.

When reading this Certificate, please note the use of specially-defined words that appear in **bold** type. There is a list of these words in Clause 35.

In consideration of payment of the premium and subject to the Schedule, limitations, conditions, provisions and other terms of this Certificate, we agree as follows:

#### WHO IS INSURED?

- 1. We agree to insure you being the Firm; and:
  - (a) each principal:
  - (b) each employee; and
  - (c) the estate and legal representative of each person referred to in (a) and (b) above.

#### WHAT WE INSURE YOU FOR AND WHEN

- 2. We agree to indemnify you against civil liability for a claim that:
  - (a) arises from your legal practice; and
  - (b) is first made against you during the Period of Insurance.
- 3. Our indemnity also extends to:
  - (a) Claimant's costs and defence costs; and
  - (b) Mitigation Costs, subject to the Firm:
  - (i) providing prior written notice to us during the period of insurance of the potential civil liability, the costs required to mitigate the potential civil liability and the probability of the eventual claim being made against you in the absence of you undertaking such mitigating action; and
  - (ii) complying with the terms and conditions of this insurance applicable to claims; and



- (iii) we shall not be liable under this insurance for **mitigation costs** which we have not consented to in writing, where reasonably practical.
- (iv) All mitigatory actions are within the spirit of the Bar Council's Rules and Rulings that govern the Profession.
- 4. Professional appointments and assignments assumed or undertaken by you in a personal capacity shall be regarded as part of your legal practice provided that any fees or other income accruing therefrom inure to the benefit of the Firm or its predecessor/s or successor/s.

#### **HOW MUCH WE INSURE YOU FOR**

- 5. The maximum amount we shall indemnify **you** for any **one claim** is the amount specified in Item 7 of the Schedule, subject to the provisions of Clause 11. The maximum amount includes **claimant's costs**.
- 6. We shall also indemnify **you** for **defence costs**, which amount shall be in addition to the Limit of Indemnity specified in Item 7 of the Schedule. Any payment by **us** of **defence costs** shall not reduce such Limit of Indemnity.

Provided however, that:

- (a) if any **one claim** exceeds the Limit of Indemnity, our liability for **defence costs** shall be restricted to such proportion thereof that the Limit of Indemnity bears to the **claim**.
- (b) any cost recovered from the claimant shall first be fully used to offset and indemnify **us** of any costs **we** may have incurred in your defence, with any balance remaining thereafter to inure to **you** for your benefit.
- (c) if **we** do not pursue the recovery of costs awarded and where the cost is recovered by the **Firm**, **we** shall have no right to this amount.

#### YOUR BASE EXCESS

- 7. Our liability under this insurance shall only apply to that part of any **one claim** which exceeds the Base Excess specified in Item 9 of the Schedule. The Base Excess shall be borne by **you** uninsured and at your own risk.
- 8. Our liability under this insurance shall only apply to that part of the **defence costs** on account of any **one claim** which exceeds the Base Excess specified in Item 9 of the Schedule. Provided however, that the Base Excess shall only be applied once in the event **claim** and/or **defence costs** are incurred.
- 9. Where **defence costs** are payable, you must pay the amount of the Base Excess specified in Item 9 of the Schedule within 45 days of the receipt of the invoice. This payment is a condition precedent to your right to renew your insurance under the Master Policy for subsequent policy periods.
- 10. The Base Excess specified in Item 9 of the Schedule shall be increased to the amounts specified below in the event of any **claim** arising out of the following circumstances or events:





(a) <u>Conflict of Interest</u>: RM100,000 or 2 times the Base Excess whichever is the higher subject to a maximum of RM300,000 where **you** have acted for more than one party to a transaction in respect of conveyancing of land and/or buildings otherwise than in accordance with Bar Council's Rules and Rulings as amended from time to time on conflict of interest, applicable at the time of the transaction.

However the Base Excess shall apply in the event **you** had obtained written waivers from the clients.

(b) <u>Conveyancing</u>: RM50,000 minimum in respect of conveyancing of land and/or buildings.

However the Base Excess shall apply:

- (i) if **you** had in place an implemented risk management programme at the time the act, error or omission giving rise to the **claim** was committed; or
- (ii) it is adjudged by the Court that there is no civil liability arising from the **claim** against the **Firm**; or
- (iii) the claimant unconditionally withdraws the claim against the Firm.
- (c) <u>Dishonesty of Partner</u>: RM20,000 multiplied by the number of **principals** subject to a minimum of RM30,000 and maximum of RM250,000 per **Firm** in respect of **misconduct** of **principals**.

#### **CLAIMS INVOLVING MISCONDUCT**

11. Notwithstanding the Exclusion in Clause 32(e), we shall indemnify the **Firm** and its **employees** against any claim arising out of **misconduct** excluding indemnity to any person(s) or **employees** who were party to or condoned such **misconduct** relating to the **claim.** 

#### **PROVIDED THAT**

- (a) The maximum amount we shall indemnify **you** for **claims** in respect of **misconduct** is RM350,000 or the Firm's Mandatory Limit whichever is the lower. This is applicable towards any **one claim** and in the aggregate during the Period of Insurance. This Limit of Indemnity is over and above the Base Excess in Clause 7.
- (b) You shall at our request take or procure, to be taken at our expense, all reasonable steps to obtain reimbursement from any party to such misconduct or from his personal legal representatives.
- (c) You agree that any recovery so obtained together with any monies which but for such misconduct would have been due to any party to such misconduct, shall be paid to us up to but not exceeding the amounts paid by us in respect of such claim together with any expenditure reasonably incurred in obtaining such reimbursement.
- (d) You establish that at the time of the misconduct giving rise to the claim, the principal who committed such misconduct was practising as a genuine principal of and carrying on practice in common with other principals of the Firm.



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- (e) The **Firm** complied with risk management procedures set out below or equivalent thereto (taking into account whether the firm is a sole proprietor or if the firm has a branch office) at the time of such **misconduct** except where the failure was due to circumstances beyond your reasonable control.
- (i) entries in the clients' cashbook and clients' ledger of each branch maintained pursuant to Rule 11(2) of the Solicitors' Account Rules were copied and exchanged;
- (ii) bank statements of client accounts and office account of each branch office are sent (which may be via electronic medium) by its bank direct to the principal office as well as the branch office;
- (iii) all transactions involving operating of client bank accounts must where practical have two (2) signatories. In the event that the firm utilizes electronic banking in respect of client bank accounts, adequate risk management procedures must be in place.
- (iv) in all other respects the **Firm** complies with the Solicitors' Account Rules 1990 and the Accountant's Report Rules 1990 (as amended from time-to- time).

#### **CLAIMS INVOLVING DEFAMATION**

12. The Mandatory Limit of Indemnity as stated in Item 7 of the Schedule will apply for each and every claim in respect of defamation.

#### WHEN YOU HAVE TO NOTIFY US

- 13. Claims or Notifiable Circumstances
  - (a) As a condition precedent to liability **you** must notify **us** in writing as soon as reasonably practicable but no later than 60 days, of any **claim** first made against **you** during the **Period of Insurance**;
  - You must notify us in writing as soon as reasonably practicable but no later than 60 days of any notifiable circumstances of which you first become aware of during the Period of Insurance. We shall treat any subsequent claim arising from the same originating cause as the circumstances notified in accordance with this Clause as if it had been made against you during this Period of Insurance.
  - (c) Notice under this Policy shall be given in writing addressed to:

Jardine Lloyd Thompson Sdn Bhd Suite 10.2 10<sup>th</sup> Floor Faber Imperial Court 21A Jalan Sultan Ismail 50250 Kuala Lumpur

Telephone No

: +603 2723 3388

Facsimile No

: +603 2723 3301



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#### YOUR DUTY TO CO-OPERATE

- 14. As a condition precedent to liability it is your duty to provide full disclosure of all relevant facts and circumstances, whether specifically requested or otherwise, which is known or becomes known to **you** any time before or after a claim. It is furthermore your duty to render at your own expense all reasonable assistance and co-operation to **us** or our **authorised representatives** which includes but is not limited to:
  - (a) providing all relevant information, documents and data in whatsoever form; and
  - (b) attending meetings, mediation, court hearings and appearing as a witness to give evidence or testimony if required.
- 15. If after three written requests for **you** to comply with Clause 14, **you** fail to respond in a timely manner or in a manner satisfactory to **us** or our authorised representatives, your inaction shall be deemed as total or gross disregard or avoidance and shall entitle **us** to decline to indemnify **you** in relation to such **claim** except when the failure was due to circumstances beyond your reasonable control.
- 16. You further agree to waive any legal professional privilege to the extent of your duties described at Clause 14, if any, and generally in relation to a claim.

#### YOU SHALL NOT ADMIT LIABILITY OR INCUR UNREASONABLE COSTS

#### 17. You agree:

- (a) not to admit liability for a claim;
- (b) not to settle a claim; or
- (c) not to incur any unreasonable costs or expenses in connection with a **claim** without our prior consent, which shall not be unreasonably withheld, except as stated in Clause 3(b), the proviso in Clause 19 and Clause 20.

#### WE HAVE THE RIGHT TO TAKE CONDUCT OF THE CLAIM

#### 18. You agree that:

- (a) we have the right to take over the conduct of a claim against you, including its investigation, defence, avoidance, reduction or, subject to Clause 21, its settlement; and
- (b) we may do so in your name.
- 19. Upon receipt of notice from **you** of any writ, **we** and/or our **authorised representatives** shall appoint a **legal practitioner** within 14 working days to take conduct of the **claim** without prejudice to our right to investigate and subsequently refuse coverage or to decline to indemnify **you** in relation to such **claim** as provided under this insurance.

Provided that if we and/or our authorised representatives fail or neglect to appoint a legal practitioner within 14 working days and take conduct of the claim, you shall have the right, if



you so choose, to appoint a legal practitioner from the approved panel to defend the claim and instruct the appointed legal practitioner as you deem fit. You shall not be liable for any act or omission that compromises our right to settle or defend the claim. We shall be liable to indemnify you as if we had conduct of the claim.

20. Where the amount of the **claim** is less than the Base Excess in Item 9 of the Schedule, **you** may, with our prior written consent, assume the conduct of and settle the **claim**.

#### DECIDING WHETHER TO PROCEED TO HEARING OR SETTLE

- 21. In the event of a dispute on whether a **claim** should proceed to trial or settlement, advice shall be taken from a senior member of the Malaysian Bar to be appointed by both of **us** or in the absence of such mutual agreement, to be appointed by the President, for the time being, of the Malaysian Bar. The option to invoke this clause by either party shall be made within 30 days of the written notification of our decision on whether to contest or settle any legal proceedings.
- 22. This advice shall bind both of **us**. The fees payable for this advice shall not exceed RM10,000 and shall be shared equally between **us**.
- 23. If both of **us** cannot agree on invoking Clause 21, and if **we** recommend that a claim be settled but **you** elect to contest the proceedings, **you** may do so with our prior written consent with a **legal practitioner** of your choice PROVIDED THAT our liability for all losses arising out of that **claim** shall not exceed the amount for which that **claim** could have been settled plus legal costs up to the date **we** and/or our **authorised representatives** recommended the settlement in writing to **you**.

#### **DISPUTES WITH US**

- 24. Except as provided in Clause 21 and Definition in Clause 35(g), if there is any dispute between **us** about this insurance **we** both may agree to arbitration on the basis that:
  - (a) the sole arbitrator is to be appointed by the President for the time being of the Malaysian Bar;
  - (b) we share the costs of the arbitration equally; and
  - (c) the arbitrator's decision binds both of us.

#### **CHANGES IN EXPOSURE**

25. Your Premium, Limit of Indemnity and Base Excess shall not be varied during the **Period of Insurance** by dissolution of your firm, turnover in **principals** or **employees** after the inception date of this insurance in any circumstances other than in respect of your merger or amalgamation with another firm. However, additional premium will be payable in respect of the addition to the **Firm** of any **legal practitioner** who had ceased to be insured prior to the date of commencement of this Period of Insurance.



26. In the case of your merger or amalgamation with another firm during the **Period of Insurance**, your Premium, Limit of Indemnity and Base Excess shall be re-determined. **You** shall give written notice of such event to **us** as soon as practicable and provide such other information as **we** may reasonably request.

#### **SUBROGATION**

- 27. In the event of any payment under this insurance, **we** shall be subrogated to the extent of such payment to all your rights of recovery. **You** shall execute all papers required and shall do everything necessary to secure and preserve such rights, including the execution of such documents necessary to enable **us** effectively to bring the suit in your name.
- We agree not to exercise our rights of subrogation against a principal or an employee except in the case of that person's misconduct.

#### CONDITIONS PRECEDENT TO LIABILITY

29. The due observance and fulfilment of Clauses 13(a), 14 and 15 in so far as they relate to anything to be done or complied with by **you** and the truth of the statements and answers in the proposal form shall be condition precedent to our liability to make any payments under this insurance.

#### **INNOCENT NON-DISCLOSURE**

30. If a **principal** inadvertently fails to disclose facts material or otherwise to the assessment of the risk hereunder, we shall not exercise our right to avoid this insurance on the grounds of such failure.

#### FRAUDULENT CLAIMS

31. If **you** make any claim for indemnity knowing the same to be false or fraudulent, as regards amount or otherwise, **you** shall forfeit the benefits of this insurance with regards to such claim.

#### WHAT WE EXCLUDE FROM THE INSURANCE

- 32. We will not indemnify you under this insurance for:
  - (a) any liability which is more specifically insured under any other policy effected by **you** or on your behalf or which would but for this insurance be so covered.
  - (b) **claims** arising from any **notifiable circumstances** which you were aware of prior to the inception of this insurance.
  - (c) **claims** relating to **notifiable circumstances** to which this insurance would otherwise respond which **you** notified to **us** or any other insurer prior to the inception of this insurance.



- (d) any legal proceedings outside Malaysia. This exclusion shall not apply to legal proceedings in Malaysia for the enforcement of any award or judgment secured in any foreign jurisdiction except that of the United States of America, its possessions and dependencies or Canada.
- (e) any liability directly or indirectly caused by or contributed to by or arising from or in respect of **misconduct** (except as provided in Clause 11).
- (f) any **claim** in respect of any personal financial guarantee or undertaking given by **you** otherwise than in good faith in the course of the conduct of the **Firm** or as required by law or order of the courts.
- (g) death, bodily injury or loss of or damage to any physical property occupied or used by **you** for the purposes of the operations of the **Firm** (excluding property in your care, custody and control in connection with the **Firm** and for which **you** are responsible).
- (h) wrongful dismissal or any other alleged breach of any contract of employment by you.
- (i) wrongful termination or any other alleged breach of any contract for supply to or use by **you** of services, materials, equipment, other goods and/or immovable property.
- (j) any trading debt incurred by you.
- (k) the giving of any express or implied warranty or guarantee relating to the financial return on any investment.
- (I) any liability directly or indirectly caused by or contributed to by or arising from war, invasion, acts of foreign enemy, hostilities (whether war be declared or not) civil war, rebellion, revolution, insurrection, military or usurped power or terrorist activity or from any action taken to avoid or detect terrorist activity.
- (m) any claims brought about by or attributable to or consequent upon the holding by you of any appointment as a director, officer or company secretary of a company or organisation.
  - Provided however that this exclusion shall not apply to **claims** arising out of **you** acting as a **legal practitioner**, with the consent and prior approval of the **Firm**, for any company or organisation for whom **you** are a director, officer or company secretary and for which **you** received a fee.
- (n) any liability directly or indirectly, wholly or in part caused by or contributed to by or arising from or in respect of dispute over your professional fees, charges, disbursements and other incidental costs.
- (o) any liability directly or indirectly, wholly or in part caused or contributed to or arising from or in respect of any disciplinary proceedings brought against **you** or by **you**.
- (p) any **claim** or counterclaim set off by an insured against another insured under the Malaysian Bar Professional Indemnity Insurance Scheme; provided however that this exclusion shall not apply to:



- (i) any claim where you act as a legal practitioner for the claimant;
- (ii) any **claim** where **you** act as a **legal practitioner** for a client in pursuing an action against another insured (second insured) and the second insured sues **you**.
- (q) for fines and penalties imposed by law and non-compensatory awards of any kind.

#### INTERPRETATION

- 33. The construction, interpretation and meaning of the provisions of this Certificate shall be determined in accordance with the law of Malaysia, and any disputes relating thereto shall be subject to Malaysian law and jurisdiction.
- 34. In this Certificate, unless the context requires otherwise:
  - (a) the singular includes the plural and vice versa;
  - (b) the male gender includes the female and vice versa;
  - (c) where an expression is defined for the purpose of this Certificate, any other grammatical form of the expression has the same meaning;
  - (d) headings are merely descriptive and not an aid to interpretation;
  - (e) references to an amount of money are references to that amount in Malaysian Ringgit (RM).
  - (f) where reference to written communication, notices in writing or similar are made then the equivalent and other usual forms of electronic communications will be acceptable.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

- 35. In this Certificate, unless the context otherwise requires:
  - (a) **authorised representatives** means the employees and management of Jardine Lloyd Thompson Sdn Bhd, Echelon Claims Consultants Sdn Bhd and any **legal practitioner** and any other person retained by **us**.
  - (b) **claim** means:
    - (i) a demand for, or an assertion of a right to, compensation or damages; or
    - (ii) an intimation of an intention to seek compensation or damages.
  - (c) claimant's costs means legal costs you have to pay to the person making a claim against you.
  - (d) **defence costs** means reasonable costs, charges, fees and expenses incurred by **you** or on your behalf in the investigation, defence and/or settlement of any actual or potential **claim** which may form the subject of indemnity under this insurance.





- (e) **employee** means a person who, at any time, is or was employed or similarly engaged by the **Firm** (such as a legal assistant, articled clerk, pupil in chambers, consultant, office or clerical staff).
- (f) **Firm** means the person(s) in Item 3 and/or firm name named in Item 4 of the Schedule and includes a **successor practice** or a **prior practice** which is no longer specifically insured under any current or run-off whether enforceable or not.
- (g) **legal practice** means the provision of such services including pro bono and all professional services as are provided in the normal course of carrying on the profession as a **legal practitioner** in **private practice** anywhere in Malaysia as governed by the Legal Profession Act of 1976 as amended.

In the event of any dispute as to whether any particular service falls within the definition of **legal practice**, then the dispute shall be referred to the President, for the time being, of the Malaysian Bar whose ruling shall be binding on **us**.

- (h) **legal practitioner** means an advocate and solicitor as defined in Section 43 of the Legal Profession Act 1976, as amended; and does not include entities and lawyers defined under Part IVA of the Legal Profession (Amendment) Act 2012.
- (i) **misconduct** means dishonest or fraudulent conduct in the discharge of his duties.
- (j) **Mitigation Costs** means any payment of loss, costs or expenses reasonably and necessarily incurred by the **Firm** in taking action to mitigate or rectify or avoid or reduce a **claim** which could have been covered under this insurance.
- (k) **notifiable circumstances** means any fact, circumstance or event which **you** reasonably anticipate could give rise to a **claim** against **you** at any future time.
- (I) one claim means all claims by one or more claimants that arise from
  - (i) one act or omission; or
  - (ii) one series of related acts or omissions; or
  - (iii) the same act or omission in a series of related matters or transactions; or
  - (iv) similar acts or omissions in a series of related matters or transactions; or
  - (v) misconduct of one person acting alone or in collusion with others; such claims shall be regarded as attributable to one underlying cause and shall be subject to the terms of Clause 10 and Clause 11;
- (m) Period of Insurance means the period specified in Item 6 of the Schedule.
- (n) principal means
  - (i) a person who, at any time is or was a partner of the **Firm**; or
  - (ii) a person who is the sole practitioner of the **Firm**.



- (o) **prior practice** means any practice previously conducted by or engaged by any of you or to which this practice is a successor or subsequent employer.
- (p) successor practice means any legal practice which succeeds at any time during the Period of Insurance to the whole or part of the legal practice.
- (q) **us** means the Insurer named in Item 2 of the Schedule except when the context requires '**us**' to refer to both the Insurer and **you**.
- (r) **we** means the Insurer named in Item 2 of the Schedule except when the context requires 'we' to refer to both the Insurer and you.
- (s) **you** means the **Firm** and other parties referred to in Clause 1 or where the context requires any one or more of the **Firm** and other parties referred to in Clause 1.

#### ADDRESS FOR NOTICES TO INSURER

36. Any summons, notice, or process to be served on **us** may be served at the address specified in the Schedule.

#### PREMIUM AND CLAIMS LOADINGS

- 37. If **we** have not made any payment towards your claim or notifiable circumstance under this insurance the premium applicable for the Firm shall be RM1,140.00 per legal practitioner. The premium of RM1,140.00 per practitioner will similarly apply to newly established practices.
- 38. In the event that **we** make a payment towards your claim or notifiable circumstance under this insurance, an additional premium (also referred to as claims loading) will be applied upon renewal of your insurance. This additional premium will be calculated either as 5% of the claim amount paid by us <u>or</u> 5 times the current year premium, <u>whichever is the lower</u>, subject to a maximum cap of up to 25% of the amount paid for that particular claim and will apply over a period of 5 years from date of notification.





#### **APPENDIX 1**

#### **MALAYSIAN BAR**

#### SCHEDULE ATTACHING TO AND FORMING PART OF THE MALAYSIAN BAR PROFESSIONAL INDEMNITY INSURANCE CERTIFICATE AS PART OF MASTER POLICY NO. 129713U7000002 1. CERTIFICATE NO. 2014/M/ 2. INSURER Pacific & Orient Insurance Co. Berhad (12557-W) 11<sup>th</sup> Floor, Wisma Bumi Raya No. 10, Jalan Raja Laut, P.O. Box 10953 50730 Kuala Lumpur (and its successors or assigns) 3. NAMED INSURED (As per Attachment 1 to this Schedule) 4. THE FIRM 5. **ADDRESS** (and all branches within West Malaysia) 6. PERIOD OF INSURANCE From 1<sup>st</sup> January 2014 to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2014 at midnight Malaysian Time 7. MANDATORY LIMIT OF RIVI each and every claim INDEMNITY (subject to sub-limit in respect of Misconduct) 8. SUB-LIMIT IN RESPECT OF RM 350,000.00 in the aggregate (subject to Firm's Mandatory Limit, whichever is MISCONDUCT lower) 9. BASE EXCESS RM each and every claim (subject to Clause 10 of the Certificate of Insurance) 10. RM **PREMIUM INCLUSIVE OF 6%** SERVICE TAX

SIGNED FOR: Pacific & Orient Insurance Co. Berhad S. KRISHNA MURTHIE General Manager **Business Development, Underwriting** 

The insurance is subject to the terms of the Master Policy No. 129713U7000002 and the 2014 Certificate of Insurance.

Paid on the Master Policy



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STAMP DUTY

### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS OF THE CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE 2014

| Questions  | Answers  |
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| Who is insured?                                  | Partner / Sole Proprietor.   |
| Wind is insured:                                 | <ul> <li>Employees – Qualified &amp; Non-Qualified.</li> </ul>   |
|  | <ul> <li>Estate &amp; Legal representatives of the above.</li> </ul>   |
| What is insured?                                 | <ul> <li>Civil liability for claims arising from conduct of private legal practice for work</li> </ul>   |
|  | customarily and legitimately performed by lawyers in Malaysia.   |
|  | <ul> <li>Damages payable to claimant including claimant's costs &amp; defence costs</li> </ul>   |
|  | Limit applies to each and every claim arising out of ONE underlying cause.   |
| What is my insurance limit?                      | <ul> <li>Disputes as to what "legal practice" is will be decided by President of Bar Council.</li> <li>Mandatory Limit is based on the number of lawyers in the firm.</li> </ul> |
| What is my insurance infit:                      | <ul> <li>Minimum Limit is RM250,000 for the 1<sup>st</sup> lawyer, increasing by RM50,000 for each additional lawyer.</li> </ul>   |
|  | Maximum Mandatory Limit is RM2,000,000.  |
|  | <ul> <li>Top-Up can be purchased to increase your Mandatory Limit.</li> </ul>  |
| What to notify ?                                 | Writs / letters of demand / any assertion of a threat to sue.  |
|  | Any circumstance that may lead to a claim.   |
| When to notify a claim?                          | As soon as practicable BUT no later than 60 days of any claim first made against you   |
|  | AND/OR any notifiable circumstances of which you first become aware of during the Period of Insurance.   |
| What happens after I notify?                     | <ul> <li>Insurer appoints a Panel Solicitor – within 14 days where writs have been served.</li> </ul>  |
| That happene alter the lift.                     | Insurer takes conduct of the investigation, defence or settlement.   |
| Is Defamation covered?                           | Yes, up to the Mandatory Limit of the firm.  |
| Is Misconduct covered?                           | No. BUT innocent partners and employees of the firm will be indemnified up to  |
|  | RM350,000 OR firm's Mandatory Limit, whichever is lower, in the aggregate subject to special conditions.   |
| What are the conditions precedent to             | Your due observance of Policy terms, conditions and endorsements.  |
| Insured's liability?                             | Accuracy of answers in your proposal forms/claim notification form.  |
| Does innocent non-disclosure void my             | No. BUT the Insurer has the right to recover any monies paid from the partners/sole  |
| insurance?                                       | proprietor of the firm.  |
| When can a claim be voided by                    | Failure to cooperate after notification.   |
| Insurers?  | Knowingly reporting false or fraudulent claims.  |
| When do I seek a 3 <sup>rd</sup> party decision? | Whether a type of work is covered - BC President   |
|  | Whether to settle or dispute a claim – Senior Lawyer Disputes with Insurer – Sole Arbitrator   |
| What does Base Excess mean?                      | It is the amount to be paid by the firm towards any one claim and/or defence costs.  |
|  | The Base Excess increases if claim arises from conveyancing of land or building,   |
|  | Conflict of Interest & Dishonesty of partner   |
|  | Premium paid and/or Claims Loading is not part of the Base Excess  |
| What claims are excluded?                        | [a] Known claims [b] Fee Disputes [c] Suits in non-Malaysian Courts[d]Trading debts  |
|  | [e] Financial warranties [f] Personal Injury [g]Misconduct [h] Insured vs Insured [i]  |
|  | Disputes with employees [j]Radioactive/Pressure waves/War [k] Personal financial   |
|  | guarantee or undertaking given in bad faith [I] Disciplinary actions & Fines & Penalties from the Disciplinary Board   |
| Will I be covered if I retire? In the event      | If there is a claim against you after you retire or a claim against your estate, it is   |
| of death, will my estate be protected?           | covered up to the last Limit of Indemnity you had, subject to the last Base Excess.  |
| What is a 'claims-made Policy'?                  | It is a liability policy that provides coverage for a loss if the claim is first reported or   |
|  | filed during the Policy Period.  |
| What is 'Retroactive Cover'?                     | You have protection for all works done since the date of establishment of your firm.   |
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### WORLD WIDE COVER: EXPLANATORY NOTE for 2014

### Extension to the Malaysian Bar Professional Indemnity Insurance Policy

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| 1. | Coverage  | <ul> <li>Anywhere in the world except USA / Canada;</li> <li>All insureds having a valid practising certificate in accordance with the Legal Profession Act 1976;</li> <li>Subject to insureds practising Malaysian Law; And bound by all other terms and conditions of the mandatory Certificate of Insurance [COI];</li> <li>Limit of cover is per your firm's Mandatory Limit for the year, does not include Top Up limit purchased;</li> <li>Exclusion 32 (d) of the COI is deleted in its entirety;</li> <li>All other terms and conditions of the COI remain unaltered.</li> </ul>                                     |  |
| 2. | Mandatory Limit & Base Excess   | <ul> <li>Limit of Indemnity as stated in item 7 of the Mandatory Schedule of Insurance;</li> <li>Base Excess applicable is as stated in item 9 Mandatory Schedule of Insurance;</li> <li>Sub-limits and increased base excess applicable as stated in the COI.</li> </ul>  |  |
| 3. | Premiums  | To be assessed by Insurers subject to the completion and submission of the World Wide Cover Proposal Form.      NB This proposal form is specific to worldwide cover.  |  |
| 4. | Exclusions  | <ul> <li>Work performed in the USA and Canada and its protectorates;</li> <li>Any suits filed against any insureds in USA and Canada and its protectorates;</li> <li>Work or legal advice involving foreign law;</li> <li>Insureds who are called to the Bar or its equivalent of another jurisdiction and</li> <li>Maintains a practice in such foreign jurisdiction;</li> <li>Employed in another Practice in such a foreign jurisdiction;</li> <li>Receives instructions in his capacity as a Member of the Bar or its equivalent of such foreign jurisdiction</li> <li>Other exclusions as listed in the COI.</li> </ul> |  |
| 5. | Notification of Claims<br>and/or Circumstance   | Members are encouraged to notify JLT immediately when they become aware of  Any Circumstance that may lead to a claim; or  Claim; or  A Letter of Demand.  Firms are required to comply with the COI and notify claims/circumstances to JLT as soon as practicable BUT  And no later than 60 days for 2014   |  |
|    | Refer to Clause 13 of the 2014 COI.   |  |  |

### **MANDATORY SCHEME: CLAIMS FLOWCHART 2014**

Insured Practice (IP) notifies JLT (Clause 13 of the COI 2014)

JLT reviews notification. Ensures IP has included relevant notification documents.

JLT forwards notification to Echelon and P&O

JLT sends Acknowledgement & Claim Notification Form to IP

Echelon receives notification & follows up with IP:-

- 1] Issues Acknowledgement
- 2] Appoints Panel Solicitor (PS) when it is required

## NOTIFICATION OF WRIT/SUMMONS

- 1] PS will be appointed within 14 days of IP's notification.
- 2] PS will contact IP for information/documents and IP's cooperation is required to provide the same.

## NOTIFICATION OF NOTICE OF DEMAND

- 1] PS will be appointed upon request from IP and/or if the situation requires for the assistance of a PS.
- 2] If PS is not required, IP to provide regular status updates.

## NOTIFICATION OF CIRCUMSTANCE

- 1] The development of the notification will be monitored periodically. Necessary action will be taken when a claim materializes.
- 2] IP to provide regular status updates.

#### Note:-

IP : Insured Practice / Law Firm

JLT: Jardine Lloyd Thompson Sdn Bhd / Broker Echelon: Claims Administrator appointed by the Insurer

P&O : Pacific & Orient Insurance Co. Berhad [Mandatory Insurer]

PS : Panel Solicitor appointed by the Insurer

COI : Certificate of Insurance

CNF : Claim Notification Form for IP to provide more information

NB: When IP's claim amount exceeds the Mandatory Limit and hits the Top-Up, Echelon will only administer those claims for Top-Up bought by the IP from the Scheme (through JLT).



## MALAYSIAN BAR PROFESSIONAL INDEMNITY INSURANCE SCHEME 2014 "MyClaims" – User Nomination Form

In 2007, Jardine Lloyd Thompson Sdn Bhd, the broker for the Professional Indemnity Scheme of the Malaysian Bar, has designed and implemented a new feature on the Scheme's website at <a href="https://www.praktis.com.my">www.praktis.com.my</a> known as "MyClaims". This user-friendly feature will allow members of the Malaysian Bar to notify their claim(s) online and monitor the status of their notification(s).

This feature is an additional benefit to the Scheme but members can still notify their claim(s) and enquire on the status of their notification(s) by contacting Jardine Lloyd Thompson Sdn Bhd by fax, phone, email or visiting our office.

For a law firm to access the system, a member of the firm needs to be nominated as a user. If you are already a User of MyClaims, you do not have to submit another Form.

Below is the User Nomination Form:-

- The nominated user MUST be a sole proprietor or a partner of the firm.
- For each firm, only one (1) user needs to be nominated.

Complete this form using BLOCK LETTERS.

- 1. NAME OF LAW FIRM:

  2. FIRM CODE:

  3. NOMINATED USER\*:

  4. SIJIL ANNUAL NO:
- 5. EMAIL ADDRESS:
- 6. POSITION\*: Sole Proprietor / Partner

\* Delete as appropriate

#### **DECLARATION:**

I confirm that the information provided above is accurate.

SIGNATURE & NAME OF SIGNATORY

**DATE OF SIGNING** 

FIRM'S STAMP

#### **ABOUT MyClaims**

MyClaims is a web-based claim notification module developed by JLT in 2007 for members of the Malaysian Bar. The module is integrated with the Scheme's website <a href="www.praktis.com.my">www.praktis.com.my</a> and provides easy-to-use features for claims notification and tracking. Claims notified will be automatically routed to JLT for verification. After verification JLT forwards the notification to Echelon for administration.

Getting started is simple - only a browser and an Internet connection are required!

#### Features of MyClaims:

- An online website with security authentication and centralised data control provides ease of access anywhere, anytime.
- Easy-to-use claim form allows a member to quickly enter claim details.
- Member can save details entered into the form in draft mode and return to it later to submit the claim to JLT.
- JLT will be notified as soon as member submits a claim successfully and JLT logs in to verify the claim details.
- Verified claims will be routed to Echelon for processing.
- The nominated user of the law firm will be able to track the claim status.
- Faster processing of claims and communication of claim-related issues.
- Online email service provides a standard interface for communication between various parties.





