

Changes to the rules on Solicitors Qualifying Examination (SQE) exemptions

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Consultation questions

1) To what extent do you agree that we should change our regulations and the principles for qualified lawyers to prevent qualified lawyers from being granted an exemption from an assessment that they have previously failed?

Strongly agree

Please add any comments you would like to make:

2) Can you see any other impacts, either positive or negative, from the introduction of this new rule?

Yes

Please explain your answer

If someone has failed a test to demonstrate competence it is correct that they should be required to carry out further studies and subsequently pass the necessary examination to demonstrate competence. This is clearly in both the interest of the profession and public interest.

3) Alongside this consultation we have published tracked change versions of the amendments we propose to make to our current regulations and the Principles for Qualified Lawyers. To what extent do you agree or disagree that the proposed amendments would prevent a qualified lawyer who had failed any part of the SQE from being granted an exemption from that part?

Agree

Please add any comments you would like to make:

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