

The Tanganyika Law Society

The Bar Association Of Tanzania Mainland

IMPORTANT NOTICE ON RENEWAL OF PRACTICING CERTIFICATE, DEFAULTERS, EAST AFRICA LAW SOCIETY FEE AND THE USE OF ADVOCATE ELETRONIC STAMPS.

Dear Esteemed Member,

Happy New Year.

As we are going closer to the end of the renewal of the Practising Certificate, i.e 31st January 2023, we would like to draw your attention on the following:

i. Deadline for Renewal of Practising Certificate for the year 2023

Please be informed that deadline for 2023 renewal of Practising Certificate without Judiciary Penalty is **31st January 2023**. Members who will not renew their Practising Certificate by the deadline will be required to pay a penalty on their judiciary fee equivalent to 50% of the applicable Judiciary Fee.

Take note that if you have not renewed your practising Certificate, you will not be allowed to enter appearance in the Courts of law, Tribunals or to perform any duty as Practising Advocate or Notary Advocate.

ii. Defaulters

Reference is made to the issued twenty one (21) days' notice published in Mwananchi Newspaper and Daily Newspaper dated 14th December 2022 and 19th December 2022 respectively reminding defaulting members of their outstanding membership fee balances.

Pursuant to PART VI (Section 34, 35, 36 and 38) of The Advocates Act, Cap 341 and Section 10 of The Tanganyika Law Society Act, Cap 307 and Regulation 4 of the Tanganyika Law Society (Annual Subscriptions) Regulations GN 600 of 2022, please be informed that this is **the last reminder** that by **01st February 2023**, the Society will forward the names of remaining defaulting members to the Chief Justice requesting him to remove defaulting members from the Roll of Advocates for non-compliance.

iii. East Africa Law Society (EALS) Fee

As you aware that the Annual General Meeting for the year 2022 resolved that the East Africa Law Society fee should be compulsory to all members and regulation 3(2) 4 and schedule of the Tanganyika Law Society (Annual Subscription) Regulation GN 600 of 2022, kindly be informed that now you can pay your East Africa Law Society (EALS) fee through your Wakili database account by following the procedures used to pay for TLS fees. Members who have already paid their TLS fees are advised to visit their Wakili database account for payment of the same.

Moreover, please take note that **TLS membership Identity Cards (IDs)** will be **ONLY** issued to members who have paid all the fees including East Africa Law Society (EALS) Fee.

iv. Use of Advocates Electronic Stamps.

Reference is made to the 2022 Society Annual General Meeting whereby it was resolved that the use of electronic stamps will be compulsory to all advocates by **01st July 2022**; and the Council extension of deadline to 31st December 2022. Please note that the deadline for the use of old stamps has lapsed. Therefore, members who have not yet procured the electronic stamps are advised to ensure that they procure the said stamps by 31st January 2023. Starting from 01st February 2023 notice of usage of electronic stamp to replace the old ones will be shared to all stakeholders and public in general.

Kind Regards,
TLS Secretariat.