LEGAL PRACTITIONERS.

No. 21 of 1967.

AN ACT to amend the Legal Practitioners Act, 1893-1966.

[Assented to 23rd October, 1967.]

BE it enacted by the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and the Legislative Assembly of Western Australia, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

Short title and citation.

Vol. 6 Reprinted Acts as amended up to and including Act No. 18 of 1966. 1. (1) This Act may be cited as the Legal Practitioners Act Amendment Act, 1967.

(2) In this Act the Legal Practitioners Act, 1893-1966, is referred to as the principal Act.

(3) The principal Act as amended by this Act may be cited as the Legal Practitioners Act, 1893-1967.

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2. Section ten of the principal Act is repealed ^{S. 10}_{repealed and} and re-enacted as follows—

10. (1) Subject to subsection (2) of this $\frac{\text{Restrictions}}{\text{as to}}$ section, no person shall be articled to a $\frac{\text{Articled}}{\text{Clerks}}$. practitioner of less than two years' standing.

re-enacted.

(2) A person may, subject in all other respects to the provisions of this Act, be articled to a practitioner of less than two years' standing if the practitioner is the Deputy Commonwealth Crown Solicitor in the State and is a barrister or solicitor or both-

- (i) of the High Court of Australia; or
- (ii) of the Supreme Court of a State of the Commonwealth, other than this State,
- of not less than two years' standing.
 - (3) A practitioner—
 - (a) shall not have articled to him more than two articled clerks at the same time except where the practitioner is the Crown Solicitor of the State or the Deputy Commonwealth Crown Solicitor in the State, in which case the practitioner shall not have articled to him more than four articled clerks at the same time:
 - (b) shall not take, have or retain an articled clerk-
 - (i) while the practitioner is suspended from practice or struck off the roll pursuant to Part IV of this Act; or
 - (ii) while the practitioner ceases to practise as a practitioner on his own account in the State except where the practitioner is the Crown Solicitor of the State or the Deputy Commonwealth Crown Solicitor in the State.

(4) A person who has served his articles with the Crown Solicitor of the State or the Deputy Commonwealth Crown Solicitor in the State—

- (a) shall not be admitted as a practitioner unless he has otherwise complied with the provisions of this Act;
- (b) is not entitled to practise as a practitioner on his own account at any time during a period of five years next following the date of his admission as a practitioner unless and until he satisfies the Board that he has had at least twelve months' experience in the office of a practitioner who is practising as a practitioner on his own account.

8.15 amended. 3. Subsection (2) of section fifteen of the principal Act is amended by repealing paragraph (a) and re-enacting it as follows—

- (a) he has—
 - (i) fulfilled all the requirements of the University of Western Australia for the taking of a degree in law at that University; or
 - (ii) such other qualification as in the opinion of the Board is substantially equivalent to that degree,

and has served for such term under articles of clerkship to a practitioner as the Board may prescribe and at any time during that term has passed such examinations as the Board may prescribe; .