Law Society of Kenya



TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE LAW SOCIETY OF KENYA

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DECLARATION OF VACANCY AND NOMINATION FOR THE POSITION OF PRESIDENT, VICE-PRESIDENT AND COUNCIL MEMBERS OF THE LAW SOCIETY OF KENYA

Under Section 17 of the Law Society of Kenya Act, 2014, the Council shall consist of: the President, Vice-President, three (3) Representatives of the General Membership of the Society, one (1) of whom shall be an advocate of at least 25 years standing, four (4) Upcountry Representatives, who shall be persons who do not ordinarily practice in Nairobi or at the Coast, three (3) Nairobi Representatives, who shall be persons who ordinarily practice in Nairobi and one (1) Coast Representative, who shall be a person who ordinarily practices at the Coast.

The current Council of the Law Society of Kenya assumed office on 25th March, 2022, for a term of two-year ending on 25th March, 2024.

Pursuant to Regulation 28 (1) of the Law Society of Kenya (General) Regulations, 2020, at least three months before the 15th day of March in the year when election of the Council is scheduled to be held, the Secretary shall issue notice of the vacancies in the Council.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT:

1. The position of President, Vice-President, three (3) Representatives of the General Membership of the Society, one (1) of whom is an advocate of at least 25 years standing, four (4) Upcountry Representatives, who are persons who do not ordinarily practice in Nairobi or at the Coast, three (3) Nairobi Representatives, who are persons who ordinarily practice in Nairobi and one (1) Coast Representative, who is a person who ordinarily practices at the Coast shall fall vacant on 25th March, 2024.

2. Pursuant to Part III of the Law Society of Kenya Act, 2014 and Regulation 28 of the Law Society of Kenya (General) Regulations, 2020, interested and qualified members are invited to submit Nomination Papers for election for the positions of; President, Vice-President and Council Members of the Law Society of Kenya (in respect of the year 2024-2026).

Eligibility for Election:

For **<u>President</u>** and **<u>Vice-President</u>**:

- a) A member or former member of the Council; or
- b) A member qualified to be a Judge of the Supreme Court.

For the **Council**:

- a) A member of the Law Society of Kenya;
- b) Must have been in practice for at least two years, from the date of admission;
- c) Not been found liable for professional misconduct by the Disciplinary Committee established by the Advocates Act, in the three years immediately preceding the election; and
- d) Meets the requirements of Chapter Six (6) of the Constitution of Kenya.
- 3. Each candidate must be nominated for one (1) position only, by two (2) nominators who are members of the Society and qualified to be elected to the office to which the nomination relates.
- 4. Every nomination paper must be signed by both nominators and refer to one (1) candidate only, whose consent must be given in writing.
- 5. Separate colour coded nomination papers have been provided in respect to the election of the President, Vice-President and Council Members. Click on the links below to download the nomination papers for the various positions.
 - a) Nomination Paper- President 2024
 - b) Nomination Paper- Vice President 2024
 - c) Nomination Paper- Council Member 2024
- 6. Candidates offering themselves for elections will also be required to sign and return the Law Society of Kenya Candidates' Declaration of Compliance Form in the Schedule to the LSK Electoral Code of Conduct together with the nomination papers. Click on this link to download the LSK Code of Elections (Revised 2019).

7. Completed nomination papers accompanied by a duly signed Law Society of Kenya Candidates Declaration of Compliance Form for the positions of President, Vice-President and Council Members shall be submitted by the nominated candidate personally or by an agent in line with Regulation 31 (1) of the LSK (General) Regulations, 2020 not later than 12th January, 2024 at 5.00pm to:

Secretary/CEO
Law Society of Kenya, Gitanga Road
NAIROBI.

FLORENCE W. MUTURI SECRETARY/CEO