



Certificate Lawyers Admitted

Before August 10, 2022

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I am an existing roster member providing Certificate Services who joined before August 10, 2022.



I did not meet LAO's prior panel standards in two of the past five years AND I do not meet LAO's new minimum experience requirements.

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I met LAO's prior panel standards in two of the past five years OR I meet LAO's new minimum experience requirements.

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Through your 2022 lawyer self-report, you will be transitioned to "Meets Standards".

No further action is needed other than filing your annual self-report.



Through your 2022 lawyer self-report you will be transitioned to "Conditional" status.

You have two years in which to meet LAO's New minimum experience requirements

The two year timeline begins on March 31, 2023



I meet the minimum experience requirements within two years.

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I don't meet the minimum experience requirements within two years.

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Roster members can notify LAO that they meet the minimum experience requirements via the annual self-report or by writing to roster@lao.on.ca





Roster members can request a one-time discretionary extension of 12 months if they cannot meet the minimum experience requirements. Extensions are decided on a case-by-case basis.

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I don't meet the minimum experience requirements within 3 years (Applies only if a discretionary extension was approved).

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Unfortunately, in accordance with the recommendations of the Auditor General and the Legal Aid Services Act, 2020, roster members providing certificate services cannot hold a conditional status for more than 36 months.

Roster members who do not meet the minimum experience requirements at the end of their conditional membership will have their membership on that area of law revoked.

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Where a roster membership is revoked for not meeting the minimum experience requirements during the conditional period, it is possible to re-apply for authorization once the roster member demonstrates to LAO that they have met the minimum experience requirements.

