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ADMISSION NOW ONLINE FOR NSW LAWYERS

A new online service will make it faster and more convenient to admit lawyers in New South Wales, Attorney General Gabrielle Upton today announced.

Ms Upton said the Legal Profession Admission Board will launch an online admission portal in early October, delivering significant benefits for current and future law graduates.

“For the first time, law graduates will be able to apply online bringing the admissions process into the 21st Century,” Ms Upton said.

“This is about making it easier and simpler for law graduates in NSW to begin their legal careers.”

“Every year 2,400 people in NSW are admitted as lawyers in one of seven admission rounds held each year. The online service will mean they can apply at any time, and depending on their application receive a decision within three or four weeks.”

The online portal will generate a personal checklist for each applicant, so they know exactly what evidence they need to provide to support their applications. It will also email regular updates on the progress of their applications to keep them informed every step of the way.

The Board will also arrange compulsory criminal history checks in Australia, saving applicants time and money in obtaining checks themselves from police.

From October, there will be more frequent admission days, with ceremonies being held every four weeks at the Supreme Court of NSW, giving new lawyers greater choice about when they are admitted.

The first admission day for online applicants will be on 18 November 2016.

For more information on the new online application process please visit the Legal Profession Admission Board website at www.lpab.justice.nsw.gov.au

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