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Barristers Act

R.S.O. 1990, Chapter B.3

**Consolidation Period:** From March 6, 2024 to the [e-Laws currency date](http://www.e-laws.gov.on.ca/navigation?file=currencyDates&lang=en).

Last amendment: [2024, c. 2, Sched. 19, s. 2](http://www.ontario.ca/laws/statute/S24002" \l "sched19s2s1).

Legislative History: [2006, c. 21, Sched. C, s. 99](http://www.ontario.ca/laws/statute/S06021" \l "schedcs99s1); [2021, c. 4, Sched. 1](http://www.ontario.ca/laws/statute/S21004" \l "sched1s1); [2021, c. 34, Sched. 1](http://www.ontario.ca/laws/statute/S21034" \l "sched1s1); [2024, c. 2, Sched. 19, s. 2](http://www.ontario.ca/laws/statute/S24002" \l "sched19s2s1).

Call of Attorney General or Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada

**1** A person who is or has been Attorney General for Ontario or Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada is entitled to be called to the bar of Ontario without complying with the Law Society Act or any of the regulations or rules of the Society as to licensing, examinations, payment of fees or otherwise, and is thereupon entitled to practise at the bar of His Majesty’s courts in Ontario. R.S.O. 1990, c. B.3, s. 1; 2006, c. 21, Sched. C, s. 99 (1); 2021, c. 4, Sched. 1, s. 1; 2024, c. 2, Sched. 19, s. 2 (1).

**Section Amendments with date in force (d/m/y)**

[2006, c. 21, Sched. C, s. 99 (1)](http://www.ontario.ca/laws/statute/S06021" \l "schedcs99s1) - 01/05/2007

[2021, c. 4, Sched. 1, s. 1](http://www.ontario.ca/laws/statute/S21004" \l "sched1s1) - 19/04/2021

[2024, c. 2, Sched. 19, s. 2 (1)](http://www.ontario.ca/laws/statute/S24002" \l "sched19s2s1) - 06/03/2024

King’s Counsel

**2** (1)  The Lieutenant Governor, by letters patent under the Great Seal, may appoint from the members of the bar of Ontario such persons as he or she considers proper to be, during pleasure, provincial officers under the name of “His Majesty’s counsel learned in the law” for Ontario. R.S.O. 1990, c. B.3, s. 2 (1); 2024, c. 2, Sched. 19, s. 2 (2).

Licence revocation revokes K.C. appointment

(2)  If a barrister holds an appointment as a King’s counsel for Ontario, the revocation of his or her licence under the Law Society Act has the effect of revoking the appointment. 2006, c. 21, Sched. C, s. 99 (2); 2024, c. 2, Sched. 19, s. 2 (3).

**Section Amendments with date in force (d/m/y)**

[2006, c. 21, Sched. C, s. 99 (2)](http://www.ontario.ca/laws/statute/S06021" \l "schedcs99s2) - 01/05/2007

[2024, c. 2, Sched. 19, s. 2 (2, 3)](http://www.ontario.ca/laws/statute/S24002" \l "sched19s2s2) - 06/03/2024

**3** Repealed: 2021, c. 34, Sched. 1, s. 1.

**Section Amendments with date in force (d/m/y)**

[2021, c. 34, Sched. 1, s. 1](http://www.ontario.ca/laws/statute/S21034" \l "sched1s1) - 02/12/2021

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