

## Legal Profession Uniform Law questionnaire

The Legal Profession Uniform Law (NSW) (**Uniform Law**) provides that RLC must not knowingly have an 'associate' in the legal practice who is either not an Australian legal practitioner and who has been convicted of a serious offence, or disqualified from practising as a solicitor, unless they been approved by a relevant authority. It is a criminal offence for such a person to seek to be an associate of a legal practice, without first informing that legal practice of their conviction or disqualification.

### 1. Have you ever been convicted of a serious criminal offence as defined by the Uniform Law?

A serious offence is defined in the Uniform Law to include indictable offences (which are serious offences heard before a judge and jury in the District or Supreme Court) and indictable offences dealt with summarily (which are less serious offences that may be dealt with by a magistrate in the Local Court). A conviction includes a finding of guilt, or the acceptance of a guilty plea, whether or not a conviction is recorded. It also includes offences committed outside of NSW or in a foreign country that would be indictable offences if committed in NSW. It does not include convictions that are 'spent' by virtue of the *Criminal Records Act 1991* (NSW).

Yes

No

Unsure

If yes or unsure, please give details:

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### 2. Have you ever been disqualified from practising as a solicitor?

Yes

No

If yes, please give details:

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Name: .....

Signature: .....

Date: .....