

## Advisory

### Extension waiver for CPD Year 2012: CPD-2012-2

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1 For CPD Year 2012 only, advocates and solicitors of the Supreme Court of Singapore ('solicitors') with CPD points requirements remaining unfulfilled as at 31 December 2012 will be permitted a 'grace period' to fulfil their CPD points requirements ('extension waiver').

2 The period of the extension waiver for CPD Year 2012 will commence on 1 January 2013 and end on 31 March 2013 ('extension period').

3 During the extension period, solicitors may attend CPD activities and obtain CPD points that can be applied towards fulfilling either their CPD points requirements for CPD Year 2012 or their CPD points requirements for CPD Year 2013. The same CPD points cannot be used to satisfy requirements in more than one CPD year (i.e. no double-counting of CPD points is permitted).

4 Solicitors seeking to rely on the extension waiver must lodge a formal extension waiver notice. The extension waiver notice should only be lodged after a solicitor has fulfilled his CPD points requirements for CPD Year 2012 by utilising the grace period. Additionally, the extension waiver notice must be lodged by a solicitor with the Institute prior to that solicitor's application for PC renewal and, in any event, no later than by the end of April 2013. In order to lodge the extension waiver notice, solicitors must access, complete and submit the electronic form which will be made available as a link on the SILE CPD Centre home page <<http://www.silecpdcentre.org.sg/>> between 1 January 2013 and 30 April 2013.

5 Solicitors who rely on the extension waiver for CPD Year 2012 shall be subject to an audit of their compliance with their CPD requirements for CPD Year 2012 and, possibly, CPD Year 2013. The audit of CPD requirements is expected to take place from May of each calendar year and is an audit of a solicitor's fulfilment of CPD requirements in the immediately preceding CPD year. The details of the audit process will be made known through the publication of a separate advisory at a later date.

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