

## FAQs – Specialist Panels of Junior Counsel

1. Do I need to submit a separate application for each of the Specialist Panels to which I am applying?

Ans – Yes, you should submit a separate application form for each of the Specialist Panels (up to 3), ticking the box in respect of the specialist panel to which the application relates.

2. Is there a word limit for each section of the application form?

Ans – There is not a word count limit as such, but there is a space limitation for each section of the application form. The introductory information in the header of the application form sets out the following restrictions

### **This form must be completed in type using Arial, font size 12**

**In completing this application Applicants must use only the space provided in each Section of the Form. Any additional pages will NOT be considered by the Selection Panel.**

3. In relation to references, do I need separate references for each Specialist Panel?

Ans – It is for applicants to choose their own nominated referees. The Information Pack emphasises that the choice of referees is important. Applicants should complete the tick box on the reference pro forma **before forwarding** so that their nominated referees are clear which Specialist Panel(s) the reference relates to. This should ensure that the nominated referee can comment specifically on the applicant's abilities in the relevant specialist area(s) of law.

The Information Pack also states that

**Referees who can comment with authority on an Applicant's abilities as an advocate will be most helpful to the Selection Panel.**