



## **Karnataka Biodiversity Board**

Government of Karnataka

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### **NOTICE**

#### **INVITING APPLICATIONS FOR EMPANELMENT OF ADVOCATES**

Karnataka Biodiversity Board proposes to engage a Panel of Advocates to file lawsuits and represent the Board before Magistrate Courts, District Courts, Sessions Courts and High Court of Karnataka.

Advocates enrolled at the Bar Council and practising are eligible for empanelment. Interested candidates shall apply in the prescribed format addressing:

The Member Secretary, Karnataka Biodiversity Board, VANAVIKAS, Ground Floor, 18<sup>th</sup> Cross, Malleshwaram, Bangalore – 560 003 on or before 24/10/2025, 05.30 PM

*Sd/-*

**Member Secretary  
Karnataka Biodiversity Board**

## **TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR EMPANELMENT OF ADVOCATES**

The Karnataka Biodiversity Board, Bangalore, is calling applications from eligible advocates to form a panel of advocates to deal with legal matters of the board and also litigate in its behalf at various Courts of the State.

### **1) Eligibility of Empanelment:**

- a. Registered with the Bar Council with valid license to conduct litigations
- b. Advocates with experience in litigating Environment Laws will be preferred
- c. Advocates working for other Boards/Corporation and Government Departments may also apply
- d. Advocates who have worked as Government Advocates earlier, may also be considered

### **2) General Terms and Conditions:**

The cases will be allocated to the counsels as and when cases arise and assigning the cases to each advocate will be solely decided by the Chairman/Member Secretary of the Karnataka Biodiversity Board according to the requirement of the Board and the jurisdiction of cases. Decision of the Chairman/Member Secretary is final in allotting cases.

The empanelled advocate will not delegate cases and would themselves deal with the same. They may have to coordinate and work with authorized officer of the KBB, if any, as well as with the officers of the Karnataka Biodiversity Board, Bangalore, if required;

Once the case is assigned, the advocate is bound to appear on each and every date of hearing and keep the Board informed about the status of the case assigned on every date of hearing in writing (either by email or letter) until disposal of the case.

A report on progress of cases entrusted shall be sent to the Board, on the first week of every month.

There is no assigned term or tenure of the empanelled advocates. The advocates empanelled will be liable to follow the instructions issued by the Board from time to time.

Right to private practice is not restricted. The Advocate empanelled will have the liberty to private practice which should not however, interfere with the efficient discharge of the duties as a counsel for the KBB.

The Advocate empanelled shall not appear or argue against the board, and should not accept any case against the Karnataka Biodiversity Board, in any courts or tribunals. The advocate empanelled shall not advise any party with regard to cases, pertaining to Karnataka Biodiversity Board.

The advocate once empanelled shall be prompt and keep present before the court on all dates of hearing. The empanelled advocates are not to use the Karnataka Biodiversity Board logo, symbol, name, letter heads, sign boards and name plate etc.,

Depending on the requirement and number of applications received, KBB reserves the right to shortlist candidates for empanelment. Mere fulfilling the eligibility criteria will not confer any rights on the applicant/ Advocate to be called for interview/interaction and to be selected.

It may be noted that the Advocates empanelled does not amount to an appointment or any right for an appointment to be made by the Karnataka Biodiversity Board. The Board is free to engage any advocate of its choice to any particular case. The decision of the Chairman / Member Secretary will be final in this regard.

### **3) Payment of Fee and Other Conditions:**

The fees payable to Advocates empanelled with the Board shall be in accordance with the rates approved by the Board from time to time, subject to the norms prescribed by the Law Department, Government of Karnataka. No retainer fee shall be payable to Advocates empanelled with the Board.

#### **Conditions for Payment:**

The Advocates shall be eligible for the full and final payment of fees in respect of a case only upon full and effective prosecution of the matter on behalf of the Board.

At the time of filing the case, the Advocate shall be eligible to claim the Drafting Fee and Professional Fee as specified in the fee structure, to meet the preliminary expenses.

In the event the matter is settled at an initial stage after filing, without further prosecution or recording of evidence/depositions, the Advocate shall be entitled to receive 50% of the Drafting Fee and Professional Fee only, and no hearing fee shall be payable.

### **4) Documents required to be submitted along with the application:**

Self-attested copies of the following documents are required to be submitted with application:

- a) Certificate of Registration with Bar Council
- b) Identity card issued by Bar Association / Bar Council;
- c) Documents regarding empanelment with other Boards, Corporations, Government Departments or Organizations, if any;

*Sd/-*

**Member Secretary**  
Karnataka Biodiversity Board

**APPLICATION FORM FOR EMPANELMENT****(TO BE FILLED IN BY APPLICANTS)**

To

The Member Secretary

Karnataka Biodiversity Board  
VANA VIKAS,  
Ground Floor, 18<sup>TH</sup> Cross,  
Malleshwaram,  
Bangalore – 560003.

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PERSONAL DETAILS (In Block Letters)		
1.	Name in Full	
2.	Date of Birth	
3.	Nationality	
4.	Address for correspondence with PIN and Phone No	
5.	Permanent Address with PIN and Phone No.	
6.	Address of office/chamber, if any Phone	
7.	Mobile Number(s)	
8.	Email ID	

10. Details of Educational qualification (Commencing with the Graduation or equivalent examination)

Examinations Passed	Name of the Board/University	Class or division	% of Marks	Subjects	Year of Passing
LLB/Law Graduate					

Post Graduation					
Other Professional Qualifications					

11. Whether the applicant is currently on the Panel of any other Government Department/PSU/Statutory Body/Autonomous Body etc. and if yes, the details below (Self certified copy of the Office Order/letter of empanelment may be attached)

Name of the Department/PSU/Statutory Body/Autonomous Body	From	To

12. Whether the applicant has worked as Legal Researcher (LR) attached to any Court/judge? If yes, the details and the supporting documents

Name of Court/Judge	Period of Research	Supporting documents

13. If one or more Counsels are associated as juniors of the applicant, their details be provided below

SI. No.	Name of the Counsels	Enrolment No. with date

14. Infrastructural facilities available with the applicant's office be provided below

Office space	Office clerk	Steno/typist	Support staff

15. No. of Cases relating to any other Board handled earlier

SI. No.	Title of case (Documentary proof must be attached)

16. Whether Income Tax return is being filed for last five years? Yes/No (If yes, please attach copies of ITRs)

17. Details of Bank Account/PAN Number/Aadhar number be provided below

Bank Account Details (Bank Account Number, Address of the branch and IFSC code)	PAN number	Aadhar Number

18. Whether any proceeding has ever commenced against the applicant Counsels or is continuing before the disciplinary Committee of the Bar Council of alleged professional misconduct:

SI. No.	Details of allegations and proceedings	Finding made by the disciplinary Committee

19. Whether any criminal complaint has ever been filed or FIR registered or any criminal proceeding has ever commenced against the applicant Counsels:

SI. No.	Details of allegations and proceedings	Finding made by the Court

20. Any additional professional qualification(s), which will further the candidature, including membership of professional society, awards and honors etc. may be listed in the box below, (Documentary proofs may be attached)



### **UNDERTAKING**

1. I hereby confirm and declare that the information furnished in the application and in the attached certificate is true/correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. I have not concealed any relevant information. I am fully aware that if any of the information furnished by me is found to be false/incorrect, my candidature for the empanelment will be treated as cancelled and matter will be referred to the appropriate authority.
2. I also undertake to maintain absolute secrecy about the cases of the KBB as required under the Act, Rules and Regulations there under.
3. I also undertake to return all case files and records to the KBB as and when required by KBB.
4. I agree with the fee schedule notified by KBB.

Signature of the Counsel

Place:

Date:

Mobile number: