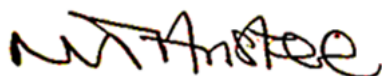


LEGAL PROFESSION UNIFORM LAW APPLICATION ACT 2014 (sch. 1, s. 334(7))
Legal Profession Uniform General Rules (r. 100)

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT OF A MANAGER

1. **TAKE NOTICE** that on 12 December 2023, and in accordance with section 334 of schedule 1 to the *Legal Profession Uniform Law Application Act 2014* (Vic), the Victorian Legal Services Board appointed **Nicholas Curran** of Thomson Geer, Level 23, Rialto South Tower, 525 Collins Street, Melbourne, Victoria, 3000 as manager for the law practice of Roland Lit Jen Voon trading as '*Lloyd Meridian Legal*' (**Law Practice**), which carried on practice at Level 7, 303 Collins Street, Melbourne, Victoria, 3000.
2. The particulars of the manager's appointment are set out in Schedule 1 to this Notice.
3. The functions and powers of the manager are set out in Schedule 2 to this Notice.
4. The Law Practice, an associate of the Law Practice, any person authorised to operate the trust account of the Law Practice, or a client of the Law Practice or any other person whose interests may be adversely affected by this appointment may within seven days of service of this notice appeal to, or seek review from, the Supreme Court of Victoria.
5. This notice is signed by me in accordance with a resolution of the Victorian Legal Services Board made on 12 December 2023.



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MATTHEW ANSTEE
Director, Investigations

Date:14/12/23

SCHEDULE 1**Particulars of the appointment**

Law Practice	Roland Lit Jen Voon trading as 'Lloyd Meridian Legal'
Form of External Intervention	Appointment of manager to the Law Practice
Manager's name	Nicholas Curran Thomson Geer Level 23, Rialto South Tower 525 Collins Street Melbourne VIC 3000
Term of appointment	Approximately six months expiring on 28 June 2024
Reporting requirements (if any)	The Manager is to report to the Board within seven days of his appointment as Manager and at the end of each calendar month thereafter, unless otherwise directed by the Board.
Legal practitioner associates subject to the direct supervision of the Manager (section 335(1) of Schedule 1 to the <i>Legal Profession Uniform Law Application Act 2014</i>)	Not applicable
Conditions imposed on the appointment	Not applicable

SCHEDULE 2

The role of a manager is set out at section 336 of schedule 1 to the *Legal Profession Uniform Law Application Act 2014*.

Functions of a manager

A manager for a law practice may carry on the law practice and may do all the things that the law practice or a legal practitioner associate of the law practice might lawfully have done including but not limited to:

- (a) transacting any business of the law practice that the manager reasonably believes to be urgent;
- (b) transacting, with the approval of any or all of the existing clients of the law practice, any business on their behalf, including:
 - (i) commencing, continuing, defending or settling any proceedings; and
 - (ii) receiving, retaining and disposing of property;
- (c) accepting instructions from new clients and transacting any business on their behalf, including:

- (i) commencing, continuing, defending or settling any proceedings; and
- (ii) receiving, retaining and disposing of regulated property;
- (d) charging and recovering legal costs, including legal costs for work in progress at the time of the appointment of the manager;
- (e) entering into, executing or performing any agreement;
- (f) dealing with trust money and trust property; and
- (g) winding up the affairs of the law practice.

Powers of a manager

For the purpose of exercising his or her powers and other functions, the manager may exercise any or all of the following powers:

- (a) to enter and remain on premises used by the law practice in connection with its engaging in legal practice;
- (b) to require the law practice, an associate or former associate of the law practice or any other person who has or had control of client files and associated documents (including documents relating to trust money received by the law practice) to give the manager either or both of the following:
 - (i) access to the files and documents the manager reasonably requires;
 - (ii) information relating to the client matters the manager reasonably requires;
- (c) to operate equipment or facilities on the premises, or to require any person on the premises to operate equipment or facilities on the premises, for a purpose relevant to his or her appointment;
- (d) to take possession of any relevant material and retain it for as long as may be necessary;
- (e) to secure any relevant material found on the premises against interference, if the material cannot be conveniently removed; and
- (f) to take possession of any computer equipment or computer program reasonably required for a purpose relevant to his or her appointment.

A manager may also require an authorised deposit-taking institution (**ADI**) to disclose information relating to accounts held by the ADI and to produce without charge records relating to accounts held by, and/or transactions conducted by, the Law Practice.

A person must not obstruct a manager in the exercise of a function under the Legal Profession Uniform Law (Vic) without reasonable excuse. Penalties apply.