PREFACE

The Long Stages of Becoming a Notary in Indonesia

Notaries in philosophical studies are needed to ensure the realization of legal certainty, order, and legal protection with the core of truth and justice. The concept of a notary in Indonesia accommodates civil law so that to become a notary is required to attend special education and training.

Notary positions can be held after going through a very long (learning) process. Education begins with taking the notarial master’s program, it takes at least 2 years, then proceeds to take the pre-Extraordinary Member exam first, before being accepted as ALB. The pre-Extraordinary Member exam consists of multiple choice questions, essays, and interviews with organizational-related material carried out by professional organizations. They must also have completed their internship obligations for 24 consecutive months, which are charged by professional organizations as a condition for taking the Notary Code of Conduct Examination organized by the Ministry of Law and Human Rights. Even during their internship, they must collect 30 points, by attending seminars organized by professional organizations.

This is of course not free. They are still looking for a job and are burdened with training costs. What an irony.

The length of the process that must be taken to become a notary requires simplification by not neglecting graduates who master the hard skills and soft skills of a notary position.

Professional organizations are indispensable as a means of unifying professional members in a positive context to become government partners to generate benefits for the nation amid global challenges. Education is not just a business. At this level, notary education providers seem to need to sit together with professional organizations, to build authoritative notary education and create graduates (notaries) with integrity. Notaries are the front line in realizing legal certainty, order, and legal protection in a civil relationship.

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