Step by Step Guide to Transfer Membership of Registered Valuer from Other RVO to ICAI RVO

The Companies (Registered Valuers and Valuation) Rules, 2017 (Rules) envisage Registered Valuer Organisations (RVOs) to act as front-line regulators for development and regulation of the valuation profession. They have the responsibility to admit, groom, monitor and discipline the members of the profession, and while doing so, they must follow well established norms of governance befitting a regulatory State.

The Rules envisage a competitive industry of RVOs, where they compete with one another to provide better valuation services through their professional members, in the interest of the users, and other stakeholders of valuation services. The Rules also envisage that a member may shift membership from one RVO to another. The Rules further require an RVO to employ fair, reasonable, just and non-discriminatory practices for enrolment and regulation of its members.

The Authority/Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board of India (IBBI/Board) vide Circular No. IBBI/RVO/029/2020 dated 28th January, 2020 outlines the process of transfer of membership of Registered Valuers from one RVO to another RVO.

The **Step-by-Step Guide to Transfer of Membership** from one RVO to ICAI RVO are as follows:

STEP 1: Registered Valuer shall apply to transfer his membership from the RVO, where he is enrolled as a Member (in short 'RVO-1') to ICAI RVO, seeking No Objection Certificate (NoC) along with the following documents:

- (a) a transfer fee, as may be specified by the RVO-1, which shall not exceed Rs.1000/-,
- (b) any other money due from the Member to RVO-1,
- (c) original Membership Certificate,
- (d) original Registration Certificate,
- (e) original Certificate of Practice, if any,
- (f) a statement of assignments as an RV he is having on hand under the Rules,
- (g) a statement that no disciplinary proceeding, if any, initiated by RVO-1 or the IBBI, is pending against him, and
- (h) a statement of complaints, if any pending against him.

STEP 2:

Option 1: If the application is in compliance with **Step 1**, the RVO-1 shall issue a NoC in favour of the Member and forward the application to the Board along with its views on the transfer of membership to ICAI RVO and endorse a copy of the same to the Registered Valuer, within **seven days** of receipt of the application.

Option 2: If no response is received from the RVO-1 within **seven days** of the receipt of the application, it shall be **deemed** that RVO-1 has no objection to the transfer of membership.

Option 3:

i. If the application is not in compliance with the **Step-1** requirements, RVO-1 shall inform the deficiency in the application to the registered valuer within **seven days** of receipt of the application.

STEP 3: On receiving the deficiency in the application from RVO-1, the Registered Valuer shall address the same within **seven days** of being informed about the deficiency.

If the Registered Valuer does not address the deficiency within **seven days** of being informed about the deficiency, the application shall stand closed at RVO.

STEP 4:

- i. After the Registered Valuer has addressed the deficiency in the application in accordance with the requirement against **Step 3**, RVO-1 shall forward the application to the Board along with its views on the transfer of membership to ICAI RVO and endorse a copy of the same to the applicant, within **seven days** of addressing the deficiency in the application.
- **ii.** If no response is received from RVO-1 within **seven days** of addressing the deficiency in the application, it shall be deemed that RVO-1 has issued no objection to the transfer of membership.

STEP 5: Where no objection is deemed to be issued from RVO-1, the Registered Valuer shall forward his application to the Board for transfer of membership to ICAI RVO along with:

- (a) evidence of submission of application to RVO-1 seeking transfer of membership, and
- (b) evidence of addressing a deficiency in the application, if any, required by RVO-1,

within **seven days** of issue of deemed NoC under the requirements against **Step 2 (option 2)** or **Step 4 (ii)**, as the case may be.

STEP 6:

- i. The Board may:
 - (a) grant permission to transfer of membership from RVO-1 to ICAI RVO or
 - (b) refuse permission to transfer of membership along with reasons for refusal, within **seven days** of receipt of the application and the views of RVO-1 on transfer of membership to ICAI RVO as referred to in the requirements against **Step 2** or **Step 4**, as the case may be.
- ii. The Board may:
 - (a) grant permission to transfer membership from RVO-1 to ICAI RVO or
 - (b) refuse permission to transfer of membership along with reasons for refusal, within **seven days** of receipt of the application from the applicant for transfer of membership to ICAI RVO, as referred to in the requirements against **Step 5**.

STEP 6: The Registered Valuer shall apply to ICAI RVO for enrolment in the manner prescribed under the Rules, along with the permission issued by the Board, within **seven days** of the receipt of the permission.

STEP 7: ICAI RVO shall process the application for enrolment in accordance with the Rules.

STEP 8: ICAI RVO shall inform the Board and RVO-1 immediately on enrolment of the Registered Valuer, confirming therein the date of enrolment. Registered Valuer shall seize to be a member of RVO-1 from such date of enrolment.

STEP 9: Upon receipt of information from ICAI RVO as referred to in the requirement against **Step 8**, the Board shall update its records, issue a fresh Certificate of Registration to Registered Valuer and confirm the same to the Registered Valuer, RVO-1 and ICAI RVO.

STEP10: RV shall not take up any new assignment from the date he applies for transfer to the RVO-1 till the date he is enrolled as a member by ICAI RVO.

Notes:

- 1. The respective timelines stated above, if ending on a Public Holiday, will stand extended to the next working day. However, public holidays falling in between the timelines shall not result in any extension of timeline.
- 2. All correspondences for this purpose among and between a Member, RV, RVOs and the Board shall be made only by e-mail from the email address registered with and displayed on the website of the Board.
- 3. The e- mail id for correspondence with ICAI RVO is icairvo.membership@icai.in
- 4. The e- mail id for correspondence with the Board/IBBI shall be valuer@ibbi.gov.in