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Welcome to membership of the Institute of Paralegals! Your membership fee has been received and you are now entitled to all the benefits and privileges of membership.

You are now a member of the Institute of Paralegals and have been awarded the appropriate level of membership and you can start using the designatory letters after your name as previously advised. Congratulations!

Information describing many of the Institute's benefits and services can be found on our website at [www.theiop.org](http://www.theiop.org). Please take a few minutes to review it and acquaint yourself with the services that are available to you. Take full advantage of the services and feel free to call our Membership Team on 020 3034 1487 or email us at [office@theiop.org](mailto:office@theiop.org) any time you have a question or concern.

As we begin what I hope is a long and rewarding relationship, I encourage you to take an active role on our LinkedIn forum, the UK Paralegal Forum to connect with other paralegals and keep up-to-date with the latest paralegal news and on the Specialist Interest Groups on LinkedIn, details of which can be found under your login area.

Your membership certificate is included in your joining pack which will be sent by post. Your first issue of our monthly newsletter will be available at the end of each month. It is your e-journal, so if you have any requests, comments, suggestions or complaints about it, please let us know.

Please also note that you are obliged to follow the Paralegal Continuing Professional Development scheme; like most CPD schemes, members will be required to obtain a minimum number of 10 points each CPD year (12 points for Fellow members and those holding a PPC issued by the PPR) (the CPD year matches each members' own membership year) – more details about which can be found under the login area.

Because of your support, and the support of other paralegals like you, the IoP continues to be the preeminent membership body representing you and promoting paralegals as we face the many challenges of these changing times.

We are delighted that you have joined the Institute, and I hope that you find membership rewarding. Once again, congratulations!

Best wishes

The Membership Team