# GENERAL LEGAL COUNCIL

#### **ANNUAL REPORT**

#### APRIL 1, 2015 - MARCH 31, 2016

#### **INTRODUCTION**

The General Legal Council was established in January 1972 by the Legal Profession Act. Its statutory function is concerned with the legal profession and in particular the organization of legal education and the upholding of standards of professional conduct. By virtue of the Legal Education Act, the Council's function as the Legal Education Authority is vested in the Council of Legal Education which is established by Agreement among several Commonwealth Caribbean countries.

Apart from Law Officers of the Crown and legal officers of Government who are *ex officio* entitled to practise as such, no person can lawfully practise as an attorney who does not hold a practising certificate issued by the Council. Practising Certificates are issued annually on satisfying certain requirements, including the payment of an annual fee.

The Council is required to appoint from among its members or former members, Judges or retired Judges and attorneys of not less than ten (10) years standing, the Disciplinary Committee which adjudicates on complaints of misconduct by attorneys in any professional respect.

The Council is authorized to make rules prescribing the standards of professional etiquette and professional conduct for attorneys and to direct that any specified breaches of such rules constitute misconduct in a professional respect.

One of the most significant developments in 2013 was the implementation of mandatory Continuing Legal Professional Development pursuant to the amendments to the Legal Profession Act in the previous December.

In November 2013, the Minister of National Security executed the Proceeds of Crime (Designated Non-Financial Institution) (Attorneys-at-Law) Order. Effective June 1, 2014, attorneys-at-law in various areas of practice, including those who practise

conveyancing, will be brought within the "regulated sector" for the purposes of the Proceeds of Crime Act. However, the operation of the order has been stayed by an order of the court, pending the completion of proceedings brought by the Jamaican Bar Association.

The Council maintains a website at http://www.generallegalcouncil.org/.

The following is a report on the activities of the Council and the Disciplinary Committee during the twelve months ending on March 31, 2016.

# **GENERAL LEGAL COUNCIL**

# a. MEMBERSHIP (ending February 24, 2016)

The Hon. B. St. Michael Hylton, O.J. Q.C Chairman		
Mr. Richard Ayoub	Mrs. Denise Kitson, Q.C.	
Mr. Maurice Bailey	Mr. N. Patrick McDonald	
Dr. the Hon. Lloyd Barnett	Ms. Carlene McFarlane	
Mrs. Pamela Benka-Coker, Q.C.	Mr. Lowel Morgan	
Mr. Ransford Braham, Q.C.	The Hon. Justice C.D. Morrison	
Miss Saverna Chambers	Miss Hilary Reid	
Mrs. Michele Champagnie	Mrs. Jeanne Robinson-Foster, C.D.	
Mrs. Nicole Foster-Pusey, Q.C.	Mrs. Donna Scott-Mottley	
Ms. Gillian Johns	Mr. Allan Wood, Q.C.	

Ms. Gillian Johns was appointed to the Council in May 2015. She resigned and Mr. N. Patrick McDonald was subsequently appointed in September.

The term of the Council ended on February 24, 2016 and Mr. Allan Wood Q.C. was elected Chairman of the General Legal Council. The membership of the new Council is as follows:

Mr. Allan Wood, Q.C Chairman	
Mr. Richard Ayoub	Mrs. Denise Kitson, Q.C.
Mrs. Pamela Benka-Coker, Q.C.	Mr. N. Patrick McDonald

Mr. Ransford Braham, Q.C.	Mr. Lowel Morgan
Hon Mr. Justice Patrick Brooks, C.D.	Mrs. Janet Morrison
Miss Saverna Chambers	Miss Hilary Reid
Mr. Adley George Duncan, Snr.	Mr. Walter Scott, Q.C.
Mrs. Nicole Foster-Pusey, Q.C.	Mrs. Donna Scott-Mottley
Mr. Linton P. Gordon	
The Hon. B. St. Michael Hylton, O.J. Q.C.	

### b. <u>MEETINGS</u>

During the period April 1, 2015 to March 31, 2016, a total of ten (10) regular monthly meetings were held as follows:-

- 2015: April 22, June 24, July 22, September 23, October 25, November 25 and December 16
- 2016: January 27, March 2 and March 23

The Council also held a planning retreat on May 23, 2015.

# ATTENDANCE OF MEMBERS AT MEETINGS:

NAMES	Times Possible	Times Present	Times Absent	Apologies Tendered
The Hon. B. St. Michael Hylton, O.J., Q.C.	10	9	1	1
Mr. Richard Ayoub	10	9	1	1
Dr. The Hon. Lloyd Barnett, O.J.	8	3	5	3
Mrs. Pamela Benka-Coker, Q.C.	10	8	2	2
Mr. Ransford Braham, Q.C.	10	9	1	1
The Hon. Mr. Justice Patrick Brooks, C.D.	2	2	0	0
Ms. Saverna Chambers	10	8	2	2
Mrs. Michele Champagnie	10	4	6	4
Mr. A. George Duncan	2	2	0	0
Mrs. Nicole Foster-Pusey, Q.C.	10	2	8	8
Mr. Linton Gordon	2	2	0	0
Ms Gillian Johns	3	1	2	0
Mrs. Denise Kitson, Q.C.	10	9	1	1
Mr. N. Patrick McDonald	4	2	2	2
Ms. Carleen McFarlane	8	7	1	1
Mr. Lowel Morgan	10	10	0	0
The Hon. Mr. Justice C. D. Morrison, C.D.	8	6	2	2
Mrs. Janet Morrison	2	2	0	0

Ms. Hilary Reid	10	8	2	2
Mrs. Jeanne Robinson-Foster, C.D.	8	3	5	5
Mrs. Donna Scott-Mottley	10	4	6	2
Mr. Walter Scott, Q.C	2	1	1	1
Mr. Allan Wood, Q.C.	10	9	1	0

# 3. <u>STAFF</u>

The staff complement was a total of seventeen (17) persons. The following adjustments have been effected:

Ms. Annett Sealy was made redundant on September 30, 2015 and Ms. Natalie Creary assumed the position of General Counsel and Manager, Investigations Division on November 27, 2015.

Ms. Norda Smith resigned effective September 18, 2015 and Ms. Arlene Chevannes was appointed to the position of Accountant on November 22, 2015.

### 4. <u>SALARIES</u>

There was no salary increase during this period.

### 5. <u>GENERAL LEGAL COUNCIL'S STAFF TRAINING</u>

Some members of staff attended training sessions on Social Etiquette, Personal & Professional Development, Introduction to Human Resources Management and Confronting the "Tough Stuff": Advanced Management Skills for Supervisors.

### 6. <u>GENERAL LEGAL COUNCIL OFFICES</u>

Refurbishing of the space previously occupied by the Offices of the Public Defender at 78 Harbour Street started in February 2016 and was completed in March and the offices of the General Legal Council now occupy that space.

Three hearing rooms were also created for Disciplinary Committee hearings on Saturdays and during the week.

### 7. <u>DEBIT/CREDIT CARD PAYMENT SYSTEM</u>

The card payment and on-line PayPal payment systems which were implemented to facilitate the payment of practising certificate and CLPD seminar fees by attorneys-atlaw have been well utilized. The Council has decided to move completely to a cashless system for security related reasons.

# 8. APPEALS FROM DECISIONS OF THE DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

During the reporting period an appeal was filed in the Court of Appeal by Humphrey McPherson against disciplinary decisions made against them.

# 9. <u>OTHER COMMITTEES</u>

The tenure of the Council expired on February 24, 2016 and the life of the Committees listed below which were established by the Council also expired.

COMMITTEE	CHAIR PERSON
Accounting Reports	Hilary Reid
Accreditation	Donna Scott-Mottley
Advertising Regulatory	Daniella Gentles-Silvera
CLPD	Lloyd Barnett
Compensation Fund	John Bassie
Finance and Accounting	Lowel Morgan
Information Technology	Denise Kitson
Proceeds of Crime Act	Allan Wood
Protection of Client's Assets	Ransford Braham
Regulatory Reform	Lowel Morgan

In March 2016, the following Chairpersons were appointed:

COMMITTEE	CHAIR PERSON
Accounting Reports	Hilary Reid
Accreditation	Denise Kitson
Advertising Regulatory	Daniella Gentles-Silvera
CLPD	Justice C. D. Morrison
Compensation Fund	John Bassie
Finance and Accounting	Lowel Morgan
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# 10. <u>CONTINUING LEGAL PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (CLPD)</u>

The CLPD Committee of the General Legal Council was established in 2013 and was chaired by Dr. Lloyd Barnett during the period February 2013 to May 2015. He was succeeded as Chairman by Justice C. Dennis Morrison.

- 1. The scope of the Committee's work is:
  - i) To design and present courses for the purpose of the Continuing Legal Professional Development of Attorneys-at-Law;
  - ii) To arrange programs for the delivery of CLPD seminars on an island wide basis.
- 2. In carrying out its functions, the CLPD Committee encourages the conduct of research in the preparation of papers on a variety of legal subjects. Regarding

the mandatory requirements for presentations in Ethics and Client Welfare, Business Management and Finance, the Committee ensures that there are adequate seminars in these subjects.

- 3. In fulfilling its mandate where seminars are accessible island wide, the Committee regularly holds seminars in Kingston, Mandeville, Montego Bay, Ocho Rios, as well as in Port Antonio and Whitehouse, Westmoreland.
- 4. The number of the seminars held during the period April 2015 March 2016, were:
  - Two in Mandeville;
  - Ten in Ocho Rios,
  - Six in Montego Bay;
  - Three in Westmoreland;
  - Seventeen in Kingston.

The topics, number of presentations and number of attorneys who attended these seminars are presented in Appendix A.

5. Under the Chairmanship of Dr. Barnett, the Committee successfully conducted its first weekend Conference in May 2015. The Conference was held in collaboration with the Caribbean Court of Justice (CCJ) under the theme *"Ten years of Adjudication by the CCJ"* and was attended by Legal Practitioners from the Caribbean and North America.

Regional Seminars (Jamaica)

- 6. The aim of holding regional seminars are:
  - To provide accessible CLPD opportunities for attorneys who reside or practice in different areas of Jamaica;
  - To provide attorneys with the opportunity to complete their CLPD credits during a single weekend;
  - To present specific legal topics that may be associated with particular regions;
  - To reduce administrative expenses;
  - To facilitate the attorneys' compliance with their CLPD obligations.

- 7. Two regional weekend seminars were held during the period with each seminar being attended by over three hundred attorneys
  - i) December 2015 Riu Hotel, Mammee Bay, St Ann;
  - ii) February 2016 Sandals White House Westmoreland.

#### Future Developments

#### Technology – Online Classroom:

- 8. The Committee is currently investigating the possibility of developing and delivering CLPD programmes via online distance-learning methods to enhance:
  - Development of consistent, high quality online education that meets or exceeds the accepted standards of the Continuing Legal Professional Development Regulations and International Continuing Legal Education standards.
  - The development of two hundred online audio and video CLPD seminars;
  - The production of sixty digital publications with questions and answers for the purpose of obtaining CLPD credits for writers of articles;
  - Conducting of live streaming of seminars which will be accessible globally;
- 9. As part of its mandate to increase efficiency in communication, the Committee has implemented electronic processing of Certificates of Participation which are sent via email and are automatically generated through the GLC's database. Soft copies of seminars' papers are also distributed by email to the attendees.

#### Financial Considerations

10. The Committee is conscious of the high costs associated with the CLPD programme. Possible cost containment measures include:

- i) Identifying less costly alternative venues;
- ii) Designing seminars to attract both legal and non-legal attendees e.g. accounting professionals, real estate practitioners etc.

11. The Committee continues to expresses its gratitude to the GLC's administrative staff who have assisted with the successful delivery of the CLPD programmes.

# APPENDIX A

Seminars	Number of Presentations	Attendees
EC1014 - Disciplinary System-Complaints- Professional Misconduct and Adjudication- Cooperation-Compliance	3	306
AMF209 - The Challenges of Entrepreneurship	1	44
CLA(S1) - Plenary Session Ten Years of Jurisprudence in the CCJ	2	457
CLB(S2) - Legal Composition; Writing Judgments; Writing Arbitral Awards; Writing Opinions	1	181
EC1015(S3) - Relationship between the Bench and Bar – Traditions and Ethics	1	243
CLC(S4) - Abuse of Process in Criminal Cases	3	401
EMF208(S5) - Litigation Costs: Recovery and Attorneys' Obligations	1	245
CLE (S6) - The Initiation and Conduct of Criminal Prosecutions: Criminal Prosecutions and the Constitutional Role of the Office of the DPP in the Criminal Justice System. <i>"Is there a</i> <i>right to bring a private prosecution or is it</i> <i>dependent on the grant of a fiat by the DPP?"</i> The Role of the DPP in the initiation and conduct of Criminal Prosecutions	1	215
CLF(S7) - Procedure and Advocacy in the Original Jurisdiction of the CCJ	1	158
CL303 – <i>"Getting to Yes"</i> : Bail Applications in the Courts of Jamaica	3	269
EC1012 – Attorney's Professional Undertakings on the Courts and in Contracts	2	367
CL304 – Civil Malicious Prosecution and Abuse of Process - A New Lease on Life	2	385
CL305 - The Administrator General's (Amendment) Act, 2015	1	329
CL306 – Estate Planning	1	335

AMF2010 – "You have Written Your Strategic Plan Now What" Business Management	3	599
EC1016 – Contemporary Ethical Issues in Criminal Law Practice	2	530
EC104 – Duty to Court -Candour, Courtesy, Co-operation	1	306
CL308 – The Committal Proceedings Acts and Rules	1	54
EC1017 – Conduct in Court: Interacting with the Court	2	451
CL307 – The DNA Evidence Act, 2015 - A Legal and Technical Overview	1	231
CL310 – The Road Traffic Act: Proposed Changes to Come	1	97
EC1018 – Ethical Considerations in the Practice of Conveyancing - Part 1 Pre Contract Realtors	3	504
CL309 - Labour Law, Ganja Liberalization and its Impact on Contractual Rights and Obligations	1	280
Total	38	6,987

# 11. ACCREDITATION COMMITTEE

Mrs. Donna Scott-Mottley resigned from the Chairmanship of the Accreditation Committee when the life of that Council ended in February 2016 and Mrs. Denise Kitson was subsequently appointed to the position of Chairman.

a. During the period January - December 2015, the Committee received sixty seven (67) applications from institutions, for accreditation of courses to be presented by them and seventy seven (77) applications from individuals for accreditation of activities in which they had participated or which they proposed to present.

b. The data also discloses that for 2015, of a total number of 1,833 attorneys, eight hundred and fifty-three (853) are compliant in their participation in the CLPD

programme. Unfortunately eight hundred and seventy five (875) are outstanding. Fifty nine (59) have received exemptions; six (6) are within their extended period for compliance and reports are required of forty (40) attorneys in order for them to be compliant.

c. One hundred (100) attorneys applied for exemptions, mainly attorneys employed outside the jurisdiction, but who wish to maintain their practising certificates, and we also received applications from attorneys who are unemployed in Jamaica, ill and/or elderly and who have ceased practicing. The Committee has required statutory declarations from persons in Jamaica who are unable to produce independent proof of their particular reason for seeking an exemption. The Director of CLPD, Ms Mclean has submitted for Council's consideration a draft of a proposed policy to treat with retired attorneys.

d. There has been a marked difference in the number of applications for exemptions for the period February – December 2014 when compared with the year January to December 2015. The reporting period under review saw a reduction by 200 in the number of applications for exemptions and extension

of time. This results primarily from the implementation of the policy for automatic extensions of time in stated circumstances.

e. Notwithstanding that reduction, the number of applications for accreditation already seen during the first half of 2016 suggests an exponential increase in requests for accreditation of courses to be presented and the members of the Committee are satisfied that without more persons appointed to the Committee to review the papers, the Committee will be unable to adequately fulfil its mandate. The Committee has submitted to the Council for review a proposal for the implementation of a policy to grant provider status to certain institutions which have a proven track record in the delivery of creditable seminars, such as the CLPD Committee of the GLC, the JBA and the Universities.

e. The Accreditation Committee wishes to place on record its gratitude to Mrs Donna Scott Mottley for her sterling leadership in piloting the Committee through the teething pains of the process. Kudos are also due to Ms Mclean and Ms Ferril for their dedicated and committed service in ensuring the successful processing and implementation of the work of the CLPD and Accreditation Committees.

# 12. ADVERTISING COMMITTEE

A statutory committee was established as required by the Canons which has as its main function the reviewing of specific proposed advertisements by individual practitioners and law firms, as to their suitability and compliance with the Advertising Rules. There were no submissions to the Committee during the period.

# 13. ADVERTISING REGULATORY COMMITTEE

A second non-statutory committee was set up to deal with a wider range of issues including reviewing and making recommendations for changes to the Canons, as well as monitoring and reviewing possible breaches by Attorneys-at-Law of the existing advertising rules. This Committee is chaired by Mrs. Daniella R. Gentles-Silvera.

During the period under consideration the Advertising Regulatory Committee met eight (8) times and did the following:

- i. Wrote letters to Attorneys-at-Law advising them that their websites, advertisements of their practice in the Yellow Pages of the telephone directory and/or their letterheads are in breach of the Canons of the Legal Profession (Canons of Ethics) Rules and they should take steps to rectify these breaches. Most of the breaches relate to claims by Attorneys to be specialists and experts in certain areas of practice in the absence of a certificate of accreditation from the General Legal Council, and situations where the Attorneys are practicing as sole practitioners but misleading the public by naming their practices as themselves and company or themselves and practicing as companies, which is not permissible under the law. Letters were therefore written to these Attorneys in this regard.
- ii. Reviewed the Legal Profession (Canons of Professional Ethics) Amendment Rules, 1998 and proposed amendments to same. The proposed amendments were sent to the General Legal Council in October, 2015.

The members of the Committee for the period were:

- 1. Daniella Gentles-Silvera;
- 2. Debra McDonald;
- 3. Julianne Mais Cox;
- 4. Anna Gracie;
- 5. Stacey Mitchell;
- 6. Carleen McFarlane;
- 7. Delrose Campbell; and
- 8. Mikhail Jackson.

# 14. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

1. The Information Technology (IT) Committee continues to interface with the staff of the General Legal Council (the Council) on matters of concern relating to the improvement of the Information Technology (IT) systems in house in order to enable trouble free use and manipulation of the processes to carry out the work of the Council.

2. The website continues to provide immediate and reliable information to members of the profession as well as to the public at large on matters concerning lawyers. With each passing year there has been an exponential increase in the use of the site for several purposes. A Report on its use is attached, as appendix "C".

### 15. ACTION TO PROTECT CLIENTS' PROPERTY COMMITTEE

The following comprise the matters that have been addressed or are being addressed by the committee:

- a. The two (2) sale transactions in which Ms. Clover Graham, deceased was acting, has been resolved.
- b. The Committee had received a report on the audit of the files from Ms. Cynthia Levy Brown. Miss Natalie Creary, the Council's General Counsel and Manager of Investigations Division, will be carrying out some follow up work on these files so that these matters may be resolved.
- c. Although Mrs. Brown-Chattoo had not taken over the law practice of Mr. Roylan Barrett, deceased, she is in possession of his files, having received them from Mrs. Barrett. The committee had concluded that it was satisfied as to the arrangements for these matters and has written to Mrs. Brown-Chattoo for an update on whether these matters have all been resolved. In relation to the ongoing matter that the NHT has been writing about, the Committee will be seeking further information from Mrs. Brown-Chattoo with a view to perhaps intervening in a limited manner to assist in resolving the outstanding issues.
- d. With respect to the estate of the late Ms. Carol Vassell, the Committee filed the necessary documents to intervene, which has been contested by Captain Paul Beswick, who has been retained by the executor of the estate. The Committee wrote to Captain Beswick with a view to amicably resolving this matter, but has yet to receive a response. A follow-up letter has been written to Captain Beswick, but the Committee is willing to have the Court make necessary orders in the event that there is no agreement between the parties.

- e. The committee is to confirm whether the relevant documents have been filed in relation to intervening in the practice of Mr. Damion Masters. If so, we await a date for hearing from the Supreme Court.
- f. With respect to the arrangements in place for the practice of the late Mr. Earle DeLisser, the committee is prepared to recommend that they are satisfactory as set out in the letter dated April 5, 2016 from Hamilton & Bennett, attorneys-at-law.
- g. With respect to the arrangements that were proposed for the practice of Mr. Barrington Frankson, the Committee has written to Mrs. Jacqueline Cummings for an update/progress report, in addition to requesting further information on the long term plans, if any. The original arrangements were made for the short term, but given that Mr. Frankson's illness persists, further plans may have to be put in place.
- h. Finally, the Committee will be writing a letter to Mr. Akin Adaramaja to follow up as he is to inform us of the arrangements he has made for his former clients.

# 16. <u>ACCOUNTING REPORTS COMMITTEE</u>

During the year under review the Committee did the following:

- a. Reviewed the Accounting Reports Regulations and recommended changes to the Regulations for the consideration of Council;
- b. Commenced preparation of the Amendments to the Accounting Reports Regulations (this is still ongoing);
- c. Considered several policy issues raised by attorneys and reviewed the Accounting Reports Regulation in order to provide guidance to management regarding the interpretation of the Regulations or the policy of the GLC towards the issue raised
- d. Prepared standard form responses for Management regarding reminders to attorneys re filing of Accounting Reports and requests for extensions
- e. Reviewed compliance with the Accounting Reports regulations and recommended next steps

During the period April 1, 2105 to March 31, 2016 there were 2,966 attorneys on the roll and there were 2,075 Practising Certificates issued.

Accountant Reports or Declarations are generally due by June 30 each year for the preceding calendar year (unless an attorney has a different 12 month period as his/her financial year). The average percentage compliance for the years 2000-2015 is 92%. As at April 2016, compliance in respect of the year 2015 stood at 26%, however, we continue to receive accountant reports and declarations in respect of this year, and anticipate the usual deluge of declarations and accounting reports by June 30, 2016.

Fee Year	No. Attorneys in Practice	No. Attorneys with Submissions	No. Attorneys Outstanding	Percentage Compliance	Percentage NON- Compliance
2000	928	813	115	87.61%	12.39%
2001	948	844	104	89.03%	10.97%
2002	934	847	87	90.69%	9.31%
2003	971	884	87	91.04%	8.96%
2004	1011	924	87	91.39%	8.61%
2005	1067	981	86	91.94%	8.06%
2006	1120	1034	86	92.32%	7.68%
2007	1159	1080	79	93.18%	6.82%
2008	1181	1120	61	94.83%	5.17%
2009	1263	1196	67	94.70%	5.30%
2010	1333	1267	66	95.05%	4.95%
2011	1404	1321	83	94.09%	5.91%
2012	1501	1382	119	92.07%	7.93%
2013	1633	1467	166	89.83%	10.17%
2014	1790	1438	352	80.34%	19.66%
2015	1873	492	1381	26.27%	73.73%

The compliance level from 2000-2015 as at April 30, 2016 stood as follows:

# 17. <u>COMPENSATION FUND COMMITTEE</u>

The Compensation Fund ("the Fund") has been established pursuant to Section 42 of the Legal Profession Act.

The Fund has been established to compensate persons for losses suffered as a result of any act or omission by attorneys. Regulations are to be promulgated that will make provision for the funding and operation of the Fund. The Council has established the Compensation Fund Committee, chaired by Mr. John Bassie, to consider the implementation, administration and regulatory procedures that will be required. This would include consideration of the regulations that will be required and how similar funds operate in other jurisdictions.

The Committee has amended the rules and regulations for the Compensation Fund and these amendments were based on the Council's recommendations as an outcome of the 2015 retreat and recommendations from the Chairman of the General Legal Council.

The team has now finalized these documents and has prepared them for final review and approval by Council at the General Legal Council's retreat to be held in July 2016.

The team has worked hard to bring the Compensation Fund to fruition and it anticipates that upon final approval it will move quickly to the next stage of implementation, whereupon it is anticipated that the Compensation Fund will be operational on or before January 2017.

# 18. <u>FINANCE AND ACCOUNTING COMMTTEE</u>

During the period April 1, 2015 – March 31, 2016, the Finance and Accounting Committee provided support and guidance to both the Council and the Chief Executive Officer regarding the prudent management of the Council's financial and accounting activities.

The Committee met on seven occasions during the year and continued to provide appropriate supervision and direction especially in the areas of revenue enhancement and expense containment, while providing sound comprehensive advice to maximise potential financial investment opportunities with banks and other financial institutions.

In addition, the committee also actively participated in the recruitment and engagement of a qualified and suitable Accountant to fill this recently vacant position.

One of the most significant contributions made by the Committee during the period under review was to periodically oversee and supervise all inflows and outflows as stipulated by the Council's revenue and expense budget. This ensured that the Council's finances were efficiently monitored and ensured the accuracy and timeliness of the monthly financial reports and other pertinent financial and administrative information. The Committee also maintained a close working relationship with the external auditors thereby ensuring that satisfactory standards continued to be in place with all the internal accounting and administrative procedures.

The Committee Members were:

- Lowel Morgan Chairman
- Stuart Stimpson
- Stephen Shelton Q.C
- Richard Ayoub
- Michelle Morris

### 19. PRACTISING CERTIFICATE FEES

The following fee structure remains in effect:

Less than five years' standing	-	\$10,000.00
Five years' standing but less than fifteen	-	\$20,000.00
Fifteen years standing and over	-	\$30,000.00
Attorney-at-law who has retired from practice	-	\$10,000.00
Attorney-at-law in the first year of practice who		
applies for a practising certificate after		
September 1 in that year	-	\$5,000.00

It is estimated that there are Two Thousand, Nine Hundred and Sixty-Six (2,966) attorneys on the roll. In 2015/2016 Two Thousand and Seventy-Five (2,075) attorneys held practising certificates. The Council has published on its website, a list of attorneys who are entitled to practise by virtue of their having paid their practising certificate fees. The Council also continues to work with the Chief Justice, the Registrar of Titles and other relevant departments to ensure that persons who are not entitled to practice are not allowed to do so.

# 20. PROCEEDS OF CRIME ACT

The regime to regulate attorneys promulgated under Part V of the Proceeds of Crime Act was challenged by Jamaican Bar Association by Claim No. 2014 HCV 04772 and an injunction was granted on 4<sup>th</sup> November 2014 to restrain implementation of the

regime. Despite the substantive action having been heard and judgment reserved on 26 March 2015, the judgment has not to date been delivered and the injunction remains in place.

# 21. <u>APPLICATIONS FOR ENROLMENT</u>

Applications for qualifying certificates were received from 217 persons and approved as set out in Appendix I.

# THE DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL LEGAL COUNCIL

The Disciplinary Committee of the General Legal Council has specific responsibility for the maintenance and enforcement of discipline in the legal profession by the examining and hearing of complaints laid against attorneys-at-law.

# 22. MEMBERSHIP OF THE DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

During the year under review, the following persons served on the Disciplinary Committee:

### DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Mr. Walter Scott, Q.C. – Chairman	Mr. Christopher Kelman
Mrs. Pamela Benka-Coker, Q.C.	Mrs. Ursula Khan
Mr. Peter Champagnie	Mrs. Gloria Langrin
Mrs. Judith Cooper-Batchelor	Mr. Jerome Lee
Miss Lilieth Deacon	Mrs. Margarette Macaulay
Mr. Richard Donaldson	Mr. Dane Marsh
Mr. Winston Douglas	Mrs. Debra McDonald
Dr. Adolph Edwards	Mr. Charles Piper, Q.C.
Mr. Patrick Foster, Q.C.	Mrs. Jeanne Robinson-Foster, C.D.
Ms. Katherine Francis	Mrs. Tana'ania Small-Davis
Mrs. Daniella Gentles-Silvera	Mr. Michael Thomas
Mr. John Graham	Dr. Randolph Williams
Mr. Trevor Ho-Lyn	

# **MEETINGS**

During the period April 1, 2015 to March 31, 2016 ten (10) meetings, including a special meeting, were held as follows:

- 2015: April 25, May 30, June 27, July 25, September 26, October 24, November 28, December 5 (special meeting)
- 2016: January 23 and February 27.

### ATTENDANCE BY MEMBERS AT MONTHLY MEETING 2015 -2016

NAMES	TIMES	TIMES	TIMES
		PRESENT	
Mr. Walter Scott, Q.C.	10	7	2
Mrs. Pamela Benka-Coker, Q.C.	10	8	1
Mr. Peter Champagnie	10	5	2
Mrs. Judith Cooper-Batchelor	10	7	2
Miss Lilieth Deacon	10	6	2
Mr. Richard Donaldson	10	3	2
Mr. Winston Douglas	10	-	3
Dr. Adolph Edwards	10	-	-
Mr. Patrick Foster, Q.C.	10	1	-
Ms. Katherine Francis	10	8	2
Mrs. Daniella Gentles-Silvera	10	8	2
Mr. John Graham	10	4	3
Mr. Trevor Ho-Lyn	10	9	-
Mr. Christopher Kelman	10	7	2
Mrs. Ursula Khan	10	7	2
Mrs. Gloria Langrin	10	9	-
Mr. Jerome Lee	10	9	1
Mrs. Margarette Macaulay	10	7	3
Mr. Dane Marsh	10	8	1
Mrs. Debra McDonald	10	9	-
Mr. Charles Piper, Q.C.	10	9	1
Mrs. Jeanne Robinson-Foster, C.D	). 10	4	2
Mrs. Tana'ania Small Davis	10	5	3
Mr. Michael Thomas	10	9	1
Dr. Randolph Williams	10	2	3

### 23. MEETINGS

During the period April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015, a total of ten (10) general meeting were held as follows:-

2014: April 26, May 31, June 28, July 26, September 27, October 25 and November 22 2015: January 24, February 28 and March 28.

NAMES	TIMES POSSIBLE	TIMES PRESENT	TIMES EXCUSED
Scott, Q.C., Walter (Mr.)	10	7	3
Benka-Coker, Q.C. Pamela (Mrs.)	10	10	-
Champagnie, Peter (Mr.)	10	4	4
Cooper-Batchelor, Judith (Mrs.)	10	5	1
Deacon, Lilieth (Miss)	10	7	2
Donaldson, Richard (Mr.)	10	2	-
Douglas,Winston (Mr.)	10	4	5
Eatmon, Lincoln (Mr.)	4	-	1
Edwards, Adolph (Dr.)	10	-	-
Eatmon, Lincoln (Mr.)	4	-	1
Edwards, Adolph (Dr.)	10	-	-
Foster Q.C, Patrick (Mr.)	10	7	3
Francis, Katherine (Miss)	6	2	1
Gentles-Silvera, Daniella (Mrs.)	10	9	1
Graham, John (Mr.)	10	3	4
Ho- Lyn, Trevor (Mr.)	10	9	-
Kelman, Christopher (Mr.)	10	7	1
Khan, C.D, Ursula (Mrs.)	10	10	-
Langrin, Gloria (Mrs.)	10	8	-
Lee, Jerome (Mr.)	10	8	-
Macaulay, Margarette (Mrs.)	10	7	3
Marsh, Dane (Mr.)	3	3	-
McDonald, Debra (Mrs.)	10	8	2
Piper, Q.C, Charles (Mr.)	10	7	2
Robinson-Foster, Jeanne (Mrs.)	10	4	4
Small-Davis, Tania'ana (Mrs.)	3	2	1
Thomas, Michael (Mr.)	10	5	5
William, Randolph (Dr.)	10	10	-
Wood,Q.C, Allan, (Mr.)	4	1	3

# ATTENDANCE BY MEMBERS AT MONTHLY MEETINGS 2014 – 2015

# 24. <u>ATTENDANCE BY MEMBERS AT WEEKLY SITTINGS</u>

NAMES	TIMES	TIMES	TIMES	
	POSSIBLE	PRESENT	EXCUSED	
Benka-Coker ,Q.C,Pamela (Mrs.)	26	24	2	
Champagnie,Peter (Mr.)	19	16	3	
Cooper-Batchelor,Judith (Mrs.)	15	14	1	
Deacon,Lilieth (Miss)	15	12	3	
Donaldson,Richard (Mr.)	17	14	3	
Douglas,Winston (Mr.)	sick	sick	sick	
Edwards, Adolph (Dr.)	27	25	2	
Ennis, Beryl (Miss) (Resigned)	3	2	1	
Foster Q.C,Patrick (Mr.)	18	17	1	
Francis, Katherine (Miss)	28	22	6	
Gentles-Silvera, Daniella (Mrs.)	21	20	1	
Graham, John (Mr.)	22	19	3	
Ho- Lyn, Trevor (Mr.)	20	18	2	
Kelman, Christopher (Mr.)	19	19	0	
Khan, C.D, Ursula (Mrs.)	22	20	2	
Langrin, Gloria (Mrs.)	29	25	4	
Lee, Jerome (Mr.)	22	22	0	
Macaulay, Margarette (Mrs.)	20	16	4	
Marsh,Dane (Mr.)	12	11	1	
McDonald, Debra (Mrs.)	22	21	1	
Piper,Q.C, Charles (Mr.)	31	30	1	
Robinson-Foster, Jeanne (Mrs.)	18	15	3	
Scott,Q.C, Walter (Mr.)	32	28	4	
Small-Davis, Tania'ana (Mrs.)	16	15	1	
Thomas, Michael (Mr.)	24	22	2	
Williams, Randolph Dr.	15	9	6	

### 25. <u>SEMINARS</u>

No seminars were held by the Disciplinary Committee during the year under review.

#### 26. ORDERS MADE AGAINST ATTORNEYS

**Allan Deans** was found guilty of professional misconduct contrary to section 12 (1)(a) of the Legal Profession (Accounts and Records) Regulation 1999 for his failure to deliver Accountant's report to the Secretary of the General Legal Council for the years 2012 and 2013 contrary to section 16 (1) and 17 of the said Regulations. The attorney was ordered to pay a fine of \$10,000.00 for each year that he was found to be in breach of the Legal Profession (Accounts and Records) Regulations 1999, amounting to a total of \$20,000.00 to the General Legal Council to be paid by 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2015. **The order was made on the 12<sup>th</sup> December, 2015** 

Antoneitta Hall was found guilty of professional misconduct contrary to Section 12 (1) (a) of the Legal Profession (Accounts and Records) Regulation 1999 for her failure to deliver Accountant's report to the Secretary of the General Legal Council for the years 2003, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, and 2013 contrary to section 16 (1) and 17 of the said Regulations. The attorney was ordered to pay a fine of \$15,000.00 for each year that she was found to be in breach of the Legal Profession (Accounts and Records) Regulations 1999 amounting to a total of \$150,000.00 to the General Legal Council to be paid within 45 days of the 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 2015. The Order was made on the 3<sup>rd</sup> October, 2015. The Cost was paid on the 16<sup>th</sup> November, 2015

**Jermaine Simms** was found guilty of professional misconduct. The complainant signed an Agreement for sale for purchase of premises at 12 Diana Crescent, Vineyard Town, Kingston 3. A deposit of One Million Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,200,000.00) plus cost of Forty-One Thousand, One Hundred and Twenty-Five Dollars (\$41,125.00) were paid to Mr. Delroy Chuck, vendors' Attorney, via Mr. Simms. The said deposit and costs were returned to Mr. Simms by Mr. Chuck with a letter dated 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2011 advising that the sale was cancelled. Mr. Simms failed to advise his clients of the cancelled sale and denied knowledge of the returned cheque. Mr. Simms in fact encashed the said cheque and did not pay the proceeds to the complainants. Mr. Simms later refunded 50% of the said funds to the complainants without interest and 50% remains outstanding.

The attorney was ordered to refund the outstanding 50% deposit and costs to the complainant which amounts to Six Hundred and Twenty Thousand Five Hundred and Sixty-Two Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$620, 562.50) with interest at the rate of 6% per annum from the 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2011 until payment. The Attorney was also ordered to pay Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) representing costs of the proceedings to the Council. **The order was made on the 18<sup>th</sup> April, 2015** 

**Donald Gittens** was found guilty of professional misconduct for his failure to advise the Complainant of the progress of her business with all due expedition. The attorney was retained to represent the complainant in the dissolution of her marriage and a custody hearing with respect to the child of the marriage.

The attorney was reprimanded and ordered to pay costs of the proceedings in the sum of \$40,000.00 to the General Legal Council on or before 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2015. **The cost was paid on the 31 July, 2015. The Order was made on the 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 2015.** 

**Earl Melhado** was found guilty of professional misconduct. The Complainant retained the attorney to act on his behalf. The matter concerned a motor vehicle accident in which the Complainant sustained serious personal injuries. The attorney successfully negotiated a settlement with third party's insurers. A sum between \$1.56 and \$1.58 Million was disbursed to the attorney, Mr. Earl Melhado, on the Complainant's behalf. The attorney, Mr. Earl Melhado failed, neglected and/or refused to account to the Complainant for the said money. The attorney collected the money in or about May 2008 and failed to pay it over to his client. After several failed attempts to contact his attorney, the Complainant eventually received a letter dated 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2009, promising to pay the money on or before the 30<sup>th</sup> January, 2010. The attorney reneged on that promise in consequence of which this complaint was brought. The attorney has since made full restitution.

However, the acts committed by the attorney were found to be egregious and in these circumstances the Panel ordered that the name of the attorney Earl Melhado be struck from the Roll of Attorneys-at-law entitled to practise in Jamaica; that the Attorney pay the sum of \$30,000.00 to the Complainant for costs; that the attorney pay the sum of \$100,000.00 as a contribution to the costs of the General Legal Council. **The order was made on the 24th July, 2015** 

**Arlean Beckford** was found guilty of professional misconduct for her failure to account to the Complainant's husband in the sale of property Registered at Volume 160 Folio 75. The attorney represented the Complainant's husband in the sale of property located at 2a Sefton Road, Kingston 5 for the sum of Seven Million Dollars (\$7,000,000.00). Between 7<sup>th</sup> July, 2006 and November, 2006 monies were paid to the attorney by the purchaser's attorneys-at-law amounting to Six Million, Four Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$6,450,000.00) on account of the purchase price for the said property. The property was transferred to the purchaser on 27<sup>th</sup> January, 2012 and the balance of the purchase price being Seven Hundred and Thirty-Four Thousand, Nine Hundred and Ninety-Five Dollars (\$734,995.00) was paid to the attorney by the purchaser's attorneys. The attorney has not accounted for nor paid to the Complainant's husband the balance purchase price of Seven Hundred and Thirty-Four Thousand, Nine Hundred and Ninety-Five Dollars (\$734,995.00). The attorney misappropriated the Complainant's husband's money which ought to have been paid over to him.

The attorney was struck from the Roll of Attorneys-at-law entitled to practice in the several courts of the Island of Jamaica and was ordered by way of restitution to pay the sum of \$734,995.00 with interest at the rate of 6% from the 20<sup>th</sup> February, 2012 to the date of payment. The Attorney is to pay costs of \$50,000.00 to the Complainant. **The order was made on the 1<sup>st</sup> September, 2015** 

**Arlene Beckford** was found guilty of professional misconduct, in that the attorney had carriage of sale of property located at Lot 1 Garden Boulevard, St. Catherine on behalf of the vendor. The complainant and her fiancé attended upon the Respondent's office in respect of purchase of Lot 1 Garden Boulevard. The attorney prepared the Agreement for Sale of the property between the Complainant and her fiancé and her client the vendor.

The agreement for sale was duly executed by the purchasers. Monies totaling \$1,892,500.00 were paid over to the Attorney by the Purchasers being part of the purchase price towards the purchase of the property subject of the Agreement for Sale. In one instance a portion of the said sum was collected directly by the Attorney and in the other instances by her agent at her said office and all instances receipts from the Attorney's office were issued to the purchasers.

The Complainant was by a Power of Attorney prepared by the said Attorney duly authorized to act on behalf of her fiancé and also in the bringing of this complaint.

In her capacity as the Attorney-at-law having carriage of sale in the transaction, the Attorney acted with inexcusable delay and negligence and failed to inform the purchasers who were unrepresented as to the status of the transaction. The attorney failed to account to the complainant for the aforesaid sums collected. The attorney acted dishonestly in respect of the sums of monies that were paid over to her in respect of this complainant.

The Attorney was struck from the Roll of Attorneys-at-law entitled to practise in the several courts of the Island of Jamaica. The Attorney was ordered to make restitution to the Complainant in the sum of \$1,892,500.00. The Attorney was ordered to pay interest on the sum of \$930,000.00 from the 2<sup>nd</sup> February, 2012 on the sum of \$400,000.00 from the 5<sup>th</sup> April, 2012 and on the sum of \$562,500.00 from the 30<sup>th</sup> July, 2012 until payment.

The Attorney was ordered to pay cost to the General Legal Council in the sum of \$50,000.00 and cost to the Complainant in the sum of \$50,000.00. **The order was** made on the 22<sup>nd</sup> January, 2016.

**Humphrey McPherson** was found guilty of professional misconduct. The Complainant retained the services of the attorney to secure Letters of Administration in the estate of her late husband. In April 1998, a Will signed by the deceased was located and this Will was sent to the attorney to obtain a Grant of Probate and to perform other professional services.

The attorney was ordered to pay the sum of \$1, 820,000.00 with interest at the rate of 6% from February 2004 the date of the Statement of Account sent by the attorney to the Complainant until payment; that the attorney name be struck from the Roll of Attorneysat-law entitled to practise in Jamaica; that the attorney pays costs of \$750,000.00 to the attorneys-at-law for the complainant Bailey, Terrelonge, Allen. **The order was made on the 30th January, 2016.** 

**Graceann Cameron** was found guilty of professional misconduct for her failure to obtain Letters of Administration in the estate of the Complainant's wife's father who is deceased. The attorney was retained by the Complainant who paid her \$50,000.00 to start the process plus an additional \$12,000.00 which he was told was for advertisement. After paying a sum of \$62,000.00 the attorney moved office without informing the Complainant.

The attorney was ordered to pay to the complainant the sum of 62,000.00 with interest thereon at the rate of 10% from the 1<sup>st</sup> June, 2012 to the date of payment. The order was made on the 2<sup>nd</sup> March, 2016

# Summary of Complaints 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2015 - 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2016

Number of Complaints pending at the commencement of the year Number of Complaints filed in the current year				
Number of complaints considered at the general meetings of the Disciplinary Committee as at March 31, 2016 229				
Number of complaint with prima facie case found Number of complaints with no prima facie case Number of complaints withdrawn	142	57 <u>02</u>		
Complaints dealt with at the hearings: Number of complaints withdrawn Number of complaints dismissed Number of complaints struck out for want of prosecution Number of complaints upheld	45 30 00 <u>09</u>	<u>(84)</u>		
Number of complaints disposed of			<u>(143</u> )	
Number of Complaints pending at the end of the year			<u>500</u>	
Number of Complaints Appealed 2				

Two of which the attorneys applied for a rehearing.

# 27. INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

A statement of the Council's Income and Expenditure for the period 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2015 to 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2016 which is extracted from its audited Financial Statement is set out below:

INCOME Practicing Cortificate Food	<u>\$</u> 48,603,778
Practising Certificate Fees CLPD	14,601,988
Interest on Fixed Deposit	1,122,251
Fines	335,000
Other	<u>1,361,790</u>
	66,024,807
Administrative and General	<u>(63,055,506)</u>
Surplus from operations	2,969,301
EXPENDITURE:	
Advertising	454,674
Audit and accounting fees	557,650
Bank charges	944,710
Bad debt	-
Depreciation	1,956,591
Donation	187,700
Electricity	779,378
Insurance	114,153
Irrecoverable GCT	2,380,198
Legal and professional fees & expenses	2,961,068
Meeting expenses/workshop	94,219
Office expenses	564,478
Office Rent	2,289,550
Printing, stationery and postage	2,472,418
Prior year adjustment	-
Repairs and maintenance	5,351,602
Salaries, wages and related costs	36,506,587
Security	1,143,074
Seminar expenses	361,786
Staff welfare	566,444
Staff training	157,300
Telephone	887,763
Travel and accommodation	2,097,347
Uniforms	<u>226,816</u>
	<u>63,055,506</u>

# <u>APPENDIX I</u>

Applicants who received qualifying certificates:

1.	ADAMS, DEMETRIE ANTONIO	2. 3.	ADE-JOHN, YETUNDE AJIKE TEMILOA ALLEN, SARA-RUTH
4.	ARMSTRONG-DAIGLE, SHAWNA- KAY MONIQUE	5.	AUGUSTINE, TIFFANY ABIKA
6.	BAILEY, ANN-MONIQUE AMMOY	7.	BAILEY, JULIE-ANN SHEREE
8.	BAILEY, SHANTAL RAKEISH	9.	BANNERBIE, SHANTALLE MONIQUE
10.	BARCLAY, CORLANE LAKEDO	11.	BASCOE, ANDRE ORRETT
12.	BAXTER, GAYLAN LORRAINE	13.	BESWICK-REID, ANGEL
14.	BRISSETT, KENICK ANNDRE	15.	BROOKS, NICOLE ANOTINETTE
	SAMANTHA		
16.	BROWN, CHRISTINA MARIE	17.	BROWN, TRISHANN ANIQUE
		18.	BROWN, YVONNE A. M.
19.	BRYAN, RACHAEL SHERYL	20.	BUDRAM, TERJE JOANA
21.	BUTLER, NOEL ANTHONY	22.	BYRON, SERENA ELAINE
23.	CAMPBELL, ELECE ALECIA	24.	CAMPBELL, KIMBERLEY
		25.	CAMPBELL, SUZAN LORETTA
26.	CARTER, CRAIG DOMINICK	27.	CARTER, JODY-ANN N.
28.	CARTER, KAYDIAN KENEISHA	29.	CHIN, JORDAN RICARDO
30.	CHUNG, CHRISTINE REGINA	31.	CHUNG, RICARDO FRANCISCO
32.	CLAKEN, SHANNEK ROSE	33.	CLARKE, JAHMAR
34.	CLARKE, ROBERT SAMUEL	36.	CLAYTON, RAMON ROHAN
35.	CLARKE, SOPHIA DENISE		
37.	CORBETT, ZINDZI CLOY BAUGH	38.	CORNWALL, DANIQUE ONEILLIA
39.	COTERELL, ADRIAN ALBIATHA	40.	COTTERELL, NOVIA DONICAW
41.	CUNNINGHAM, RUSHAINE	42.	CUNNINGHAM, SHENAE DEANDRA
	RONJEL		
43.	DALE, MARIO LE-TROY	44.	DALEY-MARTIN, DONALDA ROSEMARIE

45. DARBY, NYSSA-KAYE MELISSA	46. DAVIS, KARLA ALICIA
47. DAVIS, TUERE EFURU	48. DAVY, AMARICE ZAHRA
49. DERRETT, OLIVIA SHTOUY	50. DIXON, SANYA SHONA
51. DOUGLAS, YANIEK MARGARET	52. DOWNER, KIMBERLEY
53. DOWNS, LANESA DEON THIFFIA	54. DUHANEY, PRISCILLA ANN
55. DUNN, REMA SPENCE	57. EDWARDS, LATRIECE LEXANDRA
56. DWYER, LORN GREGORY	CARLA
58. ELLINGTON, PETA-GAYE	59. ELLIS, KERRI-ANNE
60. ELLIS, NATALEE SHELL-ANN	61. EWBANKS, STEPHANIE DEIDRE
62. FACEY, JODI-ANN MARISA	63. FAGAN, ANN-ALICIA NATALIE
64. FERRON, SHAINA GAIL	65. FLETCHER, YANNIE MICHELLE
66. FORBES, KRYSTINE AMANDA	67. FOREMAN, JEFFREY HALEEM
68. FOSTER, REMONE LAMARD	69. FRANCIS, NYSSA NOELLE
	70. FRANCIS, ZANDRA'GAY MARIA
71. GAFF, JODY-ANN KAMECA	72. GALLOWAY, GAIL ANN LATANYA
73. GAYE, SHANNIQUE LATOYA	74. GLAVE, LAVERN SHADEE
75. GOLDING, LEANNE GABRIELLE	76. GORDON, RADCLIFF IVAN
77. GORDON, TRUDY-ANN MAURISA	78. GOULBOURNE, KAREN DAWN
79. GRAHAM, KARA RASHIDA	80. GRAHAM, PETA-GAYE FRANCINE
81. GRAHAM, SHANNON CAVINE	82. GRAPINE-GAYLE, APRIL
83. GRAY, TRICHANA LACIAN	84. GREEN, TUDY-ANN SANCHIA
85. HAMILTON, NICHOLETTE	86. HAY, JUBEL MATTHEW
DIXILINE	
87. HEMMINGS, MICHAEL ARSRENIO	88. HENRY, CHRISTOPHER CARRINGTON
89. HEWIE, SAMANTHA ANDRIKA	90. HEWITT, RACQUEL GAIL
91. HINSON, DENISE ROSEMARIE	93. HOUSTON, DWAYNE KEITH
92. HOLNESS, JODI-ANN ANEIKIA	
94. HOWELL, CHANTAL CHRISTAL	95. JACKSON, TREENA SHEREESHA
96. JACOBS, JOHN WILLAFORD	97. JARRETT, SHANTEL TRIVA
98. JENNINGS, PRECILLA LA-KAY	99. JOHNSON, KURT ST. AUBYN

100.	JONES, RUTH TISHAINA	101.	KELLIER, MALIKE JAVONE
102.	KERR, RICHARDO ANTHONY	103.	LARMOND, CAMELIA NATASHA
104.	LAWRENCE, KRISHNA-KAY	105.	LAWRENCE, KRYSTAL ANIKA
	MACHERE		
106.	LAWRENCE, SYMONE	107.	LEVERIDGE, XAVIER THEODORE
	ELIZABETH		
108.	LEWIN, JODEON ALBERTHA	110.	LINDASY, SHANIECE AKACIA
109.	LEWIS, JOAN LORRAINE		
111.	LONG, TRACI-LEE DIANDRA	112.	LOWE, MARLON ANDREW
		113.	LUE YEN, LESLEY
114.	MALCOLM-BUCHANAN, DANE	115.	MARAGH, DAYNIA TAKOYA
	А.		
116.	MARRIOTT-BLAKE, ANDRE	117.	MARSHALL, ANDREW HADYN
	SEAN		
118.	MATTHEWS, DEBRA-ANN	119.	MCCURDY, MAURICE G.
	CHRISTINE		
120.	MCDONALD, G'NOJ DIAN-KAY	121.	MCFARLANE LYNCH, NADINE FAITH
	NATALA		
122.	MCFARLANE, GEORGIA DIANA	123.	MCKENZIE, ALICIA ARICIA
124.	MCLEISH, ANA-STASSIA	125.	MCLEOD, MONEAQUE DANESHA
	SHANALEE		
126.	MEARS, CARISA JOELLE	127.	MEIKLE, ASHFORD WASHINGTON
128.	MENZIE, TAMEKA TANESHA	129.	MILLER, ASHLIE ELIZABETH
130.	MILLER, TERESA VICTORIA	131.	MORAIS, SHERENE
		132.	MORGAN, DE ANA SHANI ELIZABETH
133.	MORGAN, TARA ANDYLEE	134.	MORRISON, MICHELLE ASHLEY
	TONY-ANN		
135.	MORRISON, MISCHELL	136.	MOSS, SHANAKAY SHACKERRA
	PEGGYBETH		
137.	MURRAY, MICHELLE	138.	MURRELL, KEETJA TAHNE

	ANTOINETTE		
139.	MUSAAZI, CHRISTABEL	140. N	NEALE, LEMAR ROY
	NANKUDA		
141.	NELSON, KACEY-ANN NICOLA	142. (	ORR, MELANIE JEAN
143.	OTUNLA, ATINUKE WURAOLA	144. F	PAGON, NECO GOVBACHEV
145.	PARREDON. OKELIA	146. F	PENNANT, CYGAL ELIZABETH
147.	PHILLIPS, PETRA PATRICE	148. F	PHILLIPS, SUWAYNE KIMBERLY,
149.	PINK, PAULINE JANET	150. F	PLUMMER, ORENE ASHA-MARIE
151.	PORTER, CHRISTINA MARIE	152. F	POWELL, ANGELA
153.	POWELL, JANET MAXINE	154. F	POWELL, TASHELL ORLEASE
155.	QUARRIE, MELLISA MAHALIA	156. F	RHODEN, TESSARINE RAINER
157.	RICKETTS, MATTHEW	158. F	RILEY, PATRICE DIANA
	ALEXANDER		
159.	ROBINSON, NATASSIA	160. R	ROBINSON, RUTH-ANN ROSEMARIE
	SHERRIPHA		
161.	ROBINSON, SHANNON NICOLE	162. R	ROWE, COURTNEY NIGEL
163.	ROWE, MONIQUE TRISHAUNA	164. S	SADDOO, DENLEY ROY
165.	SAMUELS, BIANCA SAFIYA	166. S	SAMUELS, MARSHA GRACE
		А	NTOINETTE
167.	SAVAGE, KEISHA-ANN	168. S	SEARS, AUDIRIO VERONE
	SAMANTHA	169. S	SENIOR, WINSTON EARL
170.	SHARPE, JULIANNE NADIA-GAY	171. S	SHAW, SASHA-KAY NATANYA
172.	SIMMS, MATTHEW ANTHONY	173. S	SIMPSON, KEISHA ALLYSSA
174.	SIMPSON, KEISHA ALLYSSA	175. S	SMITH, SHARI FIONA
176.	SMITH, THIA OLIVIA	177. S	SOARES, TALIA NINA ALEJANDRIA
178.	SPENCE, SHERICE RENAE	179. S	STAPLES, ANDRE
180.	STEELE, ASHTELLE NNEKA	181. S	STEELE, STACEY-ANN
182.	STEPHENSON, JODI-ANN	183. S	STEWART, SHANDICE SHERVETTE
	KIMBERLEY		
184.	TAYLOR, VANESSA RUTH-ANN	185. T	TAYLOR, VANESSA RUTH-ANN

186.	THOMAS, LATOYA CHRISTINA	187.	THOMAS, MICHELLE ALEXIS
188.	THOMAS, MONIQUE LATOYA	189.	THOMAS, TROY ALANZO
	CHRISTINA		
190.	THOMPSON, DIAN PATRICE	191.	THOMPSON, HEDENA KAY-ANN
192.	TODD, ARNOLD JAMES	193.	THOMAS-WILLIAMS, TIFFANY
			ANGELITA
194.	TOMLINSON, SHEREE NICHOLE	195.	TROWERS, DWAYNE ORVILLE
196.	TURNER, KRIS-ANTHONY	197.	VANRIEL, ANDREEN ANTOINETTE
	ATHLONE		
198.	VON CORK, ARIEL SAMANTHA	199.	WADSWORTH, PAULA ABIGAIL
200.	WALKER, KIMLOY NATALIE	201.	WALKER, SHELLY-ANN NADINE
202.	WATKINS, NAOMI	203.	WATSON, MELISA LATOUA
204.	WATSON, VALRIE MAE	205.	WEIR, STEPHANIE JANELLE
206.	WELSH, ANITA	207.	WHITE, JODY ALPHANSO
208.	WHYTE, TASHENA ANALEE	209.	WILIAMS, STEPHANIE AMANDA
210.	WILLIAMS, BAZIL-LEE ANDRE	211.	WILLIAMS, JANEL LISA
212.	WILLIAMS, MARTINA	213.	WILLIAMS, MIKHAIL HOWARD
	GEORGIANA		RODNEY
214.	WILLIAMS, TANEISHA	215.	WILMOT, SAMANTHA AUDRIANNA
	LADONNIA		
216.	WILSON, TASHANA CHRISTINA	217.	WRIGHT, NICOLETTE TAMECA

### CONCLUSION

The General Legal Council has made significant progress in improving the efficiency of its operations, but it recognizes that much more must be done, for example, in expediting the process of dealing with complaints.

The Council continues to face various challenges in ensuring that attorneys comply with the Act and the Regulations. The failure to file annual accounting reports is one of our major concerns. The Council has made representations to the Ministry for changes to the legislation to address this and other issues.

The Council also awaits the outcome of the court proceedings brought by the Jamaican Bar Association challenging the constitutionality of the application of the Proceeds of Crime Act to attorneys-at-law.

#### CHAIRMAN:

### SECRETARY:

DATE: