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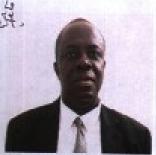
# The Honourable Justice Abdu Aboki, Court of Appeal, Nigeria\*&\*\*



Justice Abdu Aboki was born on 5th August, 1952. He attended Ahmadu Bello University Zaria, Nigeria, where he obtained his Bachelor of Laws Degree (LL.B.) and later the Nigerian Law School, Victoria Island, Lagos. He was called to the Nigerian Bar in 1977. In 1985, he was at the University of Washington Law School, Seattle, USA where he studied Legislative Drafting. He served as the Chief Registrar, High Court of Justice, Kano State, Director Public Prosecution Kano State and Solicitor General/Parliament Secretary Ministry of Justice Kano State. He had also served as Chairman Miscellaneous Offences Tribunal, Chairman of various Election Petition Tribunals in Nigeria among others. Justice Aboki was appointed a High Court Judge of Kano State in 1987. He was elevated to the Court of Appeal Nigeria in 2006 and is currently the Presiding Justice of the Court of Appeal Abuja division, Nigeria. He was a Special Lecturer in the Nigerian Law School and a Resource Person to National Judicial Institute Nigeria. Justice

Aboki has several publications to his credit. He is married with children.

# The Honourable Mr. Justice Dennis D. Adjei, Court of Appeal, Ghana



Sir Dennis Dominic Adjei was elevated to the Court of Appeal on 7th July, 2010. At the time of his appointment, he was the President of the Ghana Bar Association – Ashanti Region. He was the President for the Association of Magistrates and Judges in Ghana for four years. He is also the Director of the Judicial Training Institute (JTI). The Author is presently the Chairperson of the Africa Judicial Education Network on Environmental Law. He is an Associate Professor (Adjunct) at the Law Faculty of the University of Cape Coast. He is also an Associate Professor (Adjunct) at the Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology, Kumasi. He is a Senior Lecturer (Adjunct) at the Ghana School of Law, Main Campus, Accra. The subjects he teaches include Law of Interpretation of Statutes, Deeds

and Documents, Land Law, Land Law and Conveyancing, Constitutional Law, Criminal Law and Criminal Procedure. He is the oversight Judge for the Courts in Ashanti, Brong Ahafo, Northern, Upper West and Upper East Regions of Ghana. He attended University of Ghana, Legon, and the Ghana School of Law, Accra. He holds an Executive Master in Public Administration (EMPA) from the Ghana Institute of Management and Public Administration (GIMPA), a Master of Laws (LLM) in Criminology and Criminal Justice from the University of London and a Master of Judicial Studies from Duke University School of Law in the United States of America. He has authored four law textbooks namely: Criminal Procedure and Practice in Ghana, Modern Approach to the Law of Interpretation in Ghana (Second Edition), Land Law Practice and Conveyancing in Ghana (Second Edition) and Contemporary Criminal Law in Ghana. Sir Dennis was knighted by the Holy Father Emeritus, Pope Benedict XVI to the Order of St Gregory the Great in 2005.

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### The Honourable Chief Justice Sophia A.B. Akuffo, Ghana\*&\*\*



Justice Sophia Akuffo was born on 20th December 1949. She received her secondary education at Parliament Hill School, Hampstead, London and Wesley Girls' High School. She holds an LL.B degree from the Faculty of Law, University of Ghana, and an LL.M from Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA. After qualifying as a Barrister-at-Law, in 1975, she performed her National Service at the Legal and Consular Section of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Thereafter, she worked with various Law firms and then joined Ghana Airways Corporation, as a Legal Officer and Deputy Corporation Secretary, from 1979 to 1982. She then worked with Mobil Oil Ghana Limited where she functioned as Legal & Relations Manager/Company Secretary for the Mobil Oil Ghana Group (including Mobil Oil Liberia Ltd and Mobil Oil Sierra Leone Ltd.) from 1982 to 1992. She then established her private Law Firm, Akuffo Legal Consultancy and practiced as a Legal Consultant from 1992 to November 1995 when she was elevated to the Supreme Court Bench. In February 2006, she was elected a

judge of the African Court on Human and Peoples' Rights, and was sworn in with other members of the Court in July 2006. She was elected the Vice President of the Court for a statutory term of two years in September 2008 and again in 2010. She was elected the President of the Court in September 2012 for a statutory term of two years. She has held various positions on various Boards, Commissions and Committees over the years, both in Ghana and in the African Union. On June 19, 2017, she was sworn-in as the Chief Justice of the Republic of Ghana.

# The Honourable Chief Justice Ivor Archie O.R.T.T., Trinidad & Tobago\*&\*\*



Mr. Justice Ivor Archie holds the distinction of being the youngest person to become Chief Justice of Trinidad and Tobago, having been appointed, the country's eighth Chief Justice at the age of 47 in 2008. In his role, he has provided the leadership and stewardship of an organisation which has been transforming to meet the demands of a dynamic and changing judicial environment. In the execution of his duties as Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Ivor Archie has been at the forefront of spearheading many initiatives geared towards the promotion and advancement of the administration of justice in Trinidad and Tobago. These include the widespread application of information communication technologies in the courts, innovations ranging from Maximum Sentence Indication hearings in the Criminal Justice courts, the implementation of new criminal proceedings rules, to the adoption of drug treatment courts and the introduction of a Juvenile Youth Court and Alternative Dispute Resolution in Civil

Courts which embrace the Restorative Dialogue concept as a feature of their design and goal. This is all aimed at enhanced collaboration with stakeholders in the justice sector, and the creation of a business model approach. An accomplished academic, The Honourable Chief Justice is the holder of degrees in Mechanical Engineering and Law. He initiated his tertiary education at the University of the West Indies, St Augustine, where he obtained his B.Sc. in Mechanical Engineering (Upper Second Class Hons.), following which he entered the University of Southampton where he gained an Upper Second Honours degree in Law. From there, he proceeded to the Hugh Wooding Law School in St Augustine, where he obtained his Legal Education Certificate and received the award for the most outstanding performance during the two-year programme. He was admitted to the Trinidad and Tobago Bar in 1986. Mr. Justice Ivor Archie's erudition has brought to the bench varied experience in the construction and oil and gas industries as well as a broad litigation background. The Honourable the Chief Justice's early legal career included service at the Central Bank of Trinidad and Tobago, but he also spent a significant part of his professional career in the service of the Governments of Trinidad and Tobago, the Turks and Caicos Islands and the Cayman Islands in the northern Caribbean. In the Cayman Islands, he served first as Crown Counsel and Senior Crown Counsel from 1990 to 1995, and then as Solicitor General from 1995 to 1998. He also acted as the territory's Attorney General on a number of occasions. He returned to Trinidad and Tobago in 1998 when he was appointed a Judge of the country's Supreme Court, followed by his meteoric ascension, six years thereafter as a Justice of Appeal in 2004. As Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Ivor Archie is also President of the Court of Appeal of Trinidad and Tobago and The Trinidad and Tobago Judicial Education Institute, and Chairman

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of the Judicial and Legal Services Commission, the body responsible for the selection of persons to serve on the Bench. The Honourable Chief Justice is also a trained mediator. Mr. Justice Ivor Archie interests range from theology to lawn tennis, the Honourable the Chief Justice is also a member of the well-known Lydians choir. He is married to Denise Rodriguez Archie, a Chartered Accountant and they have two children, Dr. Chinyere Archie and Mr. Sean Archie.

### The Honourable Madam Justice Jo-Ann Barlow, High Court, Guyana\*\*



Justice Jo-Ann Barlow was born in the village of Victoria on the East Coast Demerara, Guyana, South America. After completing her secondary education, Justice Barlow following the footsteps of her mother embarked on a teaching career becoming a Trained Teacher. After six years in the school system, she returned to studies this time in the field of Law. She graduated from the University of the West Indies, Cave Hill Campus in 1994 with LLB (Hons.) and from the Hugh Wooding Law School in 1996 with Legal Education Certificate. She joined the Chambers of the Director of Public Prosecutions (DPP) in 1996 and was State Counsel from 1996 – 1999; Senior State Counsel from 1999 – 2001; Assistant Director of Public Prosecutions from 2001 – 2009 and Deputy Director of Public Prosecutions from 2010 – 2015. Justice Barlow has been a Puisne Judge since June 2015. She is a Member of the Guyana Judicial Education Institute and a Member of the Disciplinary Committee of the Guyana Medical

Council. While in the Chambers of the DPP, she designed and delivered programmes for Police Prosecutors; supervised the "Early Case Management Programme" which was geared at ensuring timely prosecutions of indictable matters in the Court; facilitated training programmes for Detectives and other Officers and Ranks of the Guyana Police Force; and provided training programmes for Legal Officers with Prosecutorial Duties in Government Departments and Ministries. She is married with one child. Her hobbies include gardening and reading.

## The Honourable Mr. Justice Denys Barrow, Caribbean Court of Justice, Trinidad & Tobago\*\*



Justice Denys Barrow was appointed on 1st June 2017 as a Justice of the Caribbean Court of Justice. He studied at the University of the West Indies and the Norman Manley Law School, was called to the Bar in 1977 in his native Belize and went into private practice. He served as president of the Bar Association, and in other positions for many years, as well as chairman of the then Bar-operated Legal Aid Centre. He served on the Committee of Experts for the Application of Conventions and Recommendations of the International Labour Organization, which meets annually in Geneva. Justice Barrow served stints on the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court, as a High Court judge for St. Lucia, Grenada and the British Virgin Islands and later as a Justice of Appeal. He also served a stint on the Supreme Court of Belize and, after his Eastern Caribbean sojourn, served on the Court of Appeal of Belize for a year. He went back into private practice for the next five years and then joined the Caribbean Court of Justice.

Justice Barrow is a Fellow of the Commonwealth Judicial Education Institute.

## Her Worship Maria Busby Earle-Caddle, Chief Magistrate, Trinidad & Tobago



Mrs. Maria Busby Earle-Caddle has been a magistrate for the past twenty-three (23) years. She succeeded Mrs. Marcia Ayers Ceasar as Chief Magistrate of Trinidad and Tobago in March 2018. Mrs. Busby Earle-Caddle brings extensive experience to the position of Chief Magistrate, having been an Attorney-at-Law since 1989. Prior to her appointment as Magistrate, she worked at Trintopec and then served for a number of years at the Office of Director of Public Prosecutions. She is a graduate of the University of the West Indies where she obtained her Bachelor of Laws Degree. She also has a Legal Education Certificate from the Hugh Wooding Law School at St. Augustine to her credit.

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#### The Right Honourable Sir Dennis Byron, Chair, CJEI\*&\*\*



Sir Charles Michael Dennis Byron of St. Kitts-Nevis graduated from Cambridge University in 1966 with M.A; LL.B. He was in private practice throughout the Leeward Islands. In 1982 he was appointed as a Judge of the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court and in 1999, was appointed Chief Justice. During his tenure he engaged in many Judicial Reform Programs. In 2004, Sir Dennis was appointed a Judge of the United Nations International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (ICTR). He was elected President of the Tribunal from 2007 to 2011. Sir Dennis was President of the Caribbean Court of Justice from September 2011 to July 2018. Sir Dennis was President of the Commonwealth Judicial Education Institute (CJEI) from 2000 to 2016 when he was appointed the Chair. In 2004, he was appointed an Honorary Bencher of the Honourable Society of the Inner Temple and holds the first Yogis & Keddy Chair in Human Rights Law at

Dalhousie University. He was knighted in 2000 and was appointed a member of the Privy Council in 2004. He is married to Lady Norma Byron and they have six children.

#### Dr. Aditi Choudhary, Registrar (Vigilance), Delhi High Court, India\*\*



Aditi Choudhary was born on 24th April 1966 in Patiala (Punjab). Her father Yatindra Pratap served as a Major General in the Indian Army. Aditi Choudhary passed her AISSCE (12th class) in 1982 securing a 5th position all over India in Humanities. As a student, she was an avid sportsperson and learnt classical dancing (kathak). She graduated in Political Science (Hons) from Lady Shri Ram College, Delhi University in 1987. She completed her LL.B. from Campus Law Centre, Faculty of Law, Delhi University in 1990 and thereafter pursued her LL.M. and Ph.D. from the Faculty of Law, Delhi University. After completion of LL.B., in 1990 she enrolled as an advocate with the Bar Council of Delhi and thereafter handled litigation inter alia in Civil, Administrative and Constitutional law in the Supreme Court. As a guest faculty, she gave lectures in the LL.B. course in Law Centre I, Faculty of Law, Delhi University and Vivekananda Institute of Professional Studies, Guru Govind Singh Indraprastha University.

Delhi on topics of Criminal Law, Family Law, Land Law, Civil Procedure and Criminal Procedure. In 2005, she joined Law Centre-I, Faculty of Law, Delhi University as an Assistant Professor. In 2007, she joined the Delhi Higher Judicial Services and presided over as an Additional District Judge in a Matrimonial and Civil Court until December 2009 and thereafter as a Sessions Judge in a Sessions Court until February 2011. She has reported for the Indian Law Reports, Delhi Series from 2007 to 2011. She was the Additional Director of the Delhi Judicial Academy from February 2011 until July 2015. From July 2015 until April 2017 as an Additional Sessions Judge, she presided over a Special Fast Track (sexual offences) Court. Since April 2017, she is working as Registrar Vigilance in the Delhi High Court. She is a trained mediator and mediation trainer under the aegis of the Mediation and Conciliation Project Committee of the Supreme Court of India. She is a Fellow of the Commonwealth Judicial Education Institute.

# Employment Judge Christa Christensen, Director of Training for Tribunals, Judicial College, England and Wales



Judge Christa Christensen was appointed as a salaried Employment Judge in the South West of England in 2003. In that capacity, she hears cases involving discrimination (age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation), whistleblowing and unfair dismissal. Such cases can range from large multinationals, hospital trusts and other large public sector bodies to smaller owner-managed business. Christa qualified as a solicitor in 1984 and entered private practice as a Company/Commercial Solicitor and then as a Lecturer in Law at the University of Bristol and the University of the West of England. She left private practice when appointed as a salaried judge in 2003. The President of the Employment Tribunal (England & Wales) appointed Christa to his National Training Panel in 2007 and she became the Deputy National Training Director

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for the Employment tribunals in 2014. In July 2016, Christa was appointed as one of two Directors of Training for the Judicial College on a four-year secondment. Christa is responsible for the oversight of training in the Tax Tribunal, General Regulatory Chamber, Health, Education and Social Care Chamber, Employment Tribunal, Social Entitlement Chamber, Property and Land Registration Chamber and War Pensions and Armed Forces Compensation Chamber, Upper Tribunals and Employment Appeal Tribunal. As Director of Training, Christa works with organisations such as the International Organisation for Judicial Training and the European Judicial Training Network. Christa was part of an IOJT working party that developed the International Judicial Training Principles which were presented and adopted at the IOJT Biennial Conference in Manila in November 2017. Also in 2017, Christa worked with the Punjab Judicial Training Academy to develop training for judges in Pakistan. In October 2018, Christa launched a Mindfulness training programme with the Judicial College called Mindful Judging.

#### Sheriff Susan A. Craig, Deputy Director, Judicial Institute, Scotland



Sheriff Susan Craig is the Deputy Director of the Judicial Institute for Scotland having been appointed by the Lord President from September 2017 for a term of three years. She is a Sheriff of Lothian and Borders having been appointed in 2013 and was Part-Time Sheriff from 2011 to 2013. A graduate of the University of Aberdeen, Sheriff Craig was litigation partner with Brodies WS until 2001 and partner at Shepherd and Wedderburn until her appointment as an Employment Judge in 2003. In 1994, Sheriff Craig was admitted as the second female solicitor advocate with extended rights of audience in the superior courts and was accredited by the Law Society of Scotland as an employment law specialist. Sheriff Craig has been a member of the Advisory Council to the Judicial Institute since 2014 and is the sheriff non-executive external member on the Scottish Courts Tribunals Service People Committee. From 2013 to 2017, she was the Lothian and Borders elected representative on the Council of the Sheriffs' Association

and is on the Board of Governors of the Dean & Cauvin Young People's Trust. She was admitted to the Faculty of Advocates in 2015.

#### The Honourable Mr. Justice Andre Gerard des Vignes, Court of Appeal, Trinidad & Tobago



Justice of Appeal Andre Gerard des Vignes was admitted to practice as a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Trinidad and Tobago in October 1979. After fusion of the legal profession in 1987, he began to practise as an Advocate Attorney-at-Law in a lending law firm in Trinidad in the areas of Civil, Corporate and Commercial Litigation and Industrial Relations until March 1997. In April 1997, he opened his own Law Chambers until he was appointed a Puisne Judge in April 2009. In April 2017, he was appointed to the Court of Appeal of the Supreme Court of Trinidad and Tobago.

He was the Chairman of the ADR Pilot Project Monitoring Committee from April 2012 to December 2014 and continues to serve as a member of the ADR Implementation Committee. He is also the Chairman of the Judicial Research Counsel Management Committee. He is a certified mediator since 2007 in civil matters and he has been trained in Judicial Settlement Conferencing. He has been actively involved in judicial settlement conferencing of commercial matters at the level of the High Court and the Court of Appeal. Since 2013, he has been a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators of the United Kingdom and in November 2014, he completed training in the Fundamentals of Family and Divorce Mediation. In September 2015, he was certified as a Judicial Tminer by the University College of London Faculty of Laws Judicial Institute. At the request of the Law Association of Trinidad and Tobago, he has made presentations to Attorneys-at-Law on the preparation of witness statements and preparing for mediation.

Justice des Vignes has been married for thirty-eight years, is the father of three children and a grandfather of two. He is a Director and member of the Faculty of the Foundation for Human Development. He enjoys walking, yoga and Tai Chi.

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#### The Honourable Sir Marston Gibson, K.A., Chief Justice, Barbados



Chief Justice Marston Gibson pursued legal studies at the Cave Hill Campus of the UWI where he obtained the Bachelor Laws in 1975. He was awarded the Rhodes Scholarship in 1977 and obtained the Bachelor of Civil Law from Keble College, Oxford University, in 1979. He was awarded the Legal Education Certificate by the Hugh Wooding Law School and was admitted to practise in Barbados in 1981. From 1979 to 1981, he taught Criminal Law at UWI, St. Augustine Campus, and from 1981 to 1987, he taught Criminal Law, Land Law, Conflict of Laws, Jurisprudence, and Equity at UWI, Cave Hill Campus. In February 1989, Chief Justice Gibson was admitted to practice law in New York where he served for 22 years in the New York State Court system. He is a member of the Bars of Barbados; Antigua and Barbuda; Trinidad and Tobago; New York State; the Federal Courts for the Eastern and Southern Districts of New York; and he was admitted to practise before the US Supreme Court. Chief Justice

Gibson is President of the Barbados Boys Scouts Association. His main hobby is music. He played the bass guitar with the Festival Orchestra during the Barbados Crop-over Festival and currently sings bass in the choir at St. Ambrose Anglican Church. Chief Justice Gibson was appointed Chief Justice of Barbados on 1 September 2011. On 30 November 2012, as part of the National Independence Honours, Chief Justice Gibson was conferred the Honour of Knight of St. Andrew with the title Sir Marston Gibson, K.A.

# Mrs. Jacqueline Graham, Registrar & Chief Marshall, Caribbean Court of Justice, Trinidad & Tobago\*\*



Mrs. Jacqueline Louella Graham, a citizen of Guyana, is the Registrar and Chief Marshal of the Caribbean Court of Justice (CCJ) and was appointed on July 1, 2014. Before her service in the area of law, Mrs. Graham's professional career started in the business field. She attained the degree of Bachelor of Science (BSc) Hon. in Management Studies from the University of Guyana in 1992 and then the degree of Masters of Business Administration (MBA) with specialization in the area of Finance from the University of Manchester, UK in 2004. This academic success served well to her tenure in the finance and banking sector of Guyana where she gained significant experience in management and finance. She was also Assistant Lecturer at the University of Guyana. Her transition to law was initiated in the year 2004 when she began

the academic journey for the Bachelor of Law (LL.B) degree from the University of Guyana. While there, she was awarded the Chancellor's Medals for the Best Third Year Student and Best Graduating Law Student. Mrs. Graham who also attended the Hugh Wooding Law School also received top honours for her Legal Education Certificate and her performance in the areas of Legal Drafting and Civil Procedure and Practice. In Guyana, she worked in private practice with the firm, Interlaw Consultants and then as a lawyer with the Guyana Revenue Authority before moving to the Judiciary of Guyana. At the Judiciary she held the positions of Legal Assistant to the Chancellor of the Judiciary and Registrar of the Court of Appeal of Guyana. As Registrar and Marshal of the CCJ, Mrs. Graham assumes the role of chief administrator of operations and holds primary responsibility for the Court's financial management.

#### The Honourable Mrs. Justice Vinette Graham-Allen, Supreme Court, Jamaica\*\*&\*\*\*



Justice Vinette Graham-Allen has over 40 years experience in the Courts. Prior to pursuing her Law Degree she held several positions in the Resident Magistrate's Courts (now Parish Courts) and Family Court in Jamaica. She is a graduate of the University of the West Indies and The Norman Manley Law School and was called to the Jamaican Bar in October 1992. Justice Graham-Allen joined the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions in Jamaica and rose to the rank of Acting Deputy Director before migrating to Bermuda in 2000. Justice Graham-Allen was called to the Bar in Bermuda and became the Director of Public Prosecutions in 2004 and served in that capacity for three years. On her return to Jamaica, Justice Graham-Allen became the Director/Principal of the Justice Training Institute which was tasked with the responsibility

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for designing, developing, organizing and conducting training programmes in Justice Administration for legal and nonlegal personnel. She was an Associate Tutor at the Norman Manley Law School, before becoming the Director of Public Prosecutions for The Commonwealth of the Bahamas in 2010. She is currently a member of the International Society for the Reform of Criminal Law. She became a member of the Jamaican Judiciary in January 2015 and is the Executive Director of the Judicial Education Institute of Jamaica with responsibility for training of the Judiciary and staff. Justice Graham-Allen is a Fellow of the Commonwealth Judicial Education Institute and also an Advisory Board Member.

## The Honourable Madam Justice Shona O. Griffith, Supreme Court, Belize\*\*



Justice Shona Griffith is a national of Guyana. She is a graduate of the University of the West Indies and was admitted to practice law in Guyana and Barbados after graduating from the Hugh Wooding Law School in 1996. After admission to the Bar, Justice Griffith briefly entered private practice in Barbados until June, 1997 but thereafter, held appointments at the public bar in the Attorney-General's Ministries of St. Kitts/Nevis, the British Virgin Islands and Montserrat, between 1997 to 2011. She held the position of Senior Magistrate in Belize from October 2011 until March 2014 when she was appointed to act and subsequently confirmed in her current position as Judge of the Supreme Court of Belize. Justice Griffith holds a Masters of Law in Public International Law from the University of London. She is a Fellow of the Commonwealth Judicial Education Institute and a Fellow of the Hague Academy of International Law. She sits in the civil division of the Supreme Court of Belize and is the

Chairperson of the Belize Judicial Education Institute. Justice Griffith is a practitioner of Shotokan Karate.

### The Honourable Madam Justice Esco Henry, High Court, Saint Vincent & the Grenadines



Justice Esco L. Henry currently serves as High Court Judge, assigned to St. Vincent and the Grenadines. She graduated from the Norman Manley Law School in Jamaica having completed the Legal Education Certificate and before that the Bachelor of Laws degree at the University of the West Indies, Cave Hill campus, Barbados. She immediately joined the Attorney General's chambers in Montserrat as Crown Counsel. She prosecuted many cases and represented the Government of Montserrat in civil matters from the very day of her first call in 1990. Justice Henry has enjoyed success as a barrister and solicitor at the public and private bars in Montserrat, St. Kitts and Nevis and Antigua and Barbuda respectively. She served the Eastern Caribbean Central Bank ('the bank') for several years in various capacities and ultimately as Legal Adviser. She provided services to the Eastern Caribbean Securities Regulatory Commission ('ECSRC') as Legal Adviser between 2001 and 2002. In those roles,

she was part of the senior management team of the bank and with her team advised on the operation of banking, insurance, credit union, securities regulatory and other financial and economy based legislation including the introduction of the region's securities exchange and regulatory commission. The team also drafted and guided the passage of amendments to the Banking Act in the member states served by the bank. Justice Henry also contributed to the drafting of legislation and guidelines underpinning the introduction of the real time payment system within the Eastern Caribbean Currency Union ('ECCU'), the Eastern Caribbean Securities Exchange ('ECSE') and the ECSRC. She served as Attorney General for Montserrat between 2002 and 2005, and 2011 to 2014 and was the Government's principal legal advisor. Among other things, she provided advice to the Governor, the Cabinet, the Legislative Assembly and government departments. She was also the first point of contact on legal matters including the territory's treaty obligations, counter-terrorism and anti-money laundering initiatives spear-headed by the Caribbean Financial Action Task Force and the OECD. She has an abiding faith in Christ Jesus as her Lord and Savior. She is the proud mother of two daughters and a son.

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#### The Honourable Justice Esohe Frances Ikponmwen, Chief Judge of Edo State, Nigeria\*\*



Justice Esohe Ikponmwen was born in Warri, Delta State of Nigeria on the 22nd November 1954 to the family of Anthony and Diana Okuonghae of blessed memory as their 2nd child. She graduated from the University of Nigeria in law in 1978 and was enrolled in the Supreme Court of Nigeria as a Barrister and Solicitor after passing the bar examination of the Nigerian Law School in 1979. She undertook the compulsory National Youth Service from 1979-1980 then gained employment in the Ministry of Justice of Bendel State as a state counsel prosecuting criminal cases in the office of the DPP. She also handled civil cases and gained experience in advocacy rising to the position of Principal State Counsel. In 1992, she was appointed Chief Magistrate and was administrative magistrate and chairman of the Magistrates Association for Edo State before her elevation to the High Court Bench in 1999. She served as the state anti-corruption judge, was chairman of election petition tribunal for the local government elections

and national tribunal. In 2017, she was again elevated to the position of Chief Judge of her state. She has attended several courses and is a Fellow of the Commonwealth Judicial Education Institute. She is a Paul Harris Fellow. His lordship is married with children and grandchildren and loves traveling, reading, singing and dancing.

#### Her Worship Sherdel Isaacs-Marcus, Principal Magistrate, Guyana\*\*



Principal Magistrate Sherdel Amera Isaacs-Marcus joined the magistracy in Guyana in 2007. During her tenure, she has presided over numerous summary trials, both in the criminal and civil jurisdictions and has worked in several magisterial districts. In addition, she served as Chair for Liquor Licensing Board for the county of Berbice. In 2009, she attended an Intensive Study Programme hosted by Commonwealth Judicial Education Institute (CJEI) and is a fellow of CJEI. Before she joined the Bench, she served as an Associate Attorney with Daltons, an established Law Firm in Trinidad and Tobago for 3 years and was involved mainly in civil litigation. In 2006, She enjoyed a brief stint at the Chambers of the Director of Public Prosecutions, as State Counsel, in Guyana. Academically, Magistrate Isaacs-Marcus was awarded her LEC in the year 2003 (Hugh Wooding Law School, UWI) and her LLB in 2001 (University of Guyana). She has also obtained a certificate in Mediation. Magistrate Isaacs-

Marcus is currently a member of the Guyana Association of Women Judges, secretary to the Guyana Magistrates' Association and is a member of the planning Committee of Guyana's Judicial Education Institute. She was born in Guyana in January, 1981 to Sherlock Isaacs, who now serves as Clerk of the National Assembly and Freidel Isaacs, Retired Headteacher. She, along with her two siblings, grew up in Regions 8 (hinterlands) and 9 (Savannahs), interior locations in Guyana. Magistrate Isaacs-Marcus married Doctor Fitzroy Marcus in 2008 and this union produced 2 children. Her leisure activities include singing, listening to music, dancing, swimming, and going on nature walks.

## The Honourable Mr. Justice Peter Jamadar, Court of Appeal, Trinidad & Tobago\*\*&\*\*\*



Justice Peter Jamadar obtained his Bachelor of Law degree (Hons) in 1982 and his Legal Education Certificate from the Hugh Wooding Law School, St. Augustine in 1984. In 1984 he was admitted to the Bar of Trinidad and Tobago. On September 15, 1997 he was appointed a Puisne Judge of the High Court, and on October 1, 2008 he was elevated to the Court of Appeal of Trinidad and Tobago. Prior to his appointment, he was in private practice as an Attorney-at-law in Chambers with his father Vernon Jamadar from 1984 to 1991, and a partner in the firm Jamadar and Kangaloo from 1991 to 1994. From 1994 to 1997, Mr. Justice Jamadar attended the University of Toronto, Canada and obtained the degree of Master of Divinity (First Class). In June 2004, he completed the Commonwealth Judicial Education Institute's (CJEI) Intensive

Study Programme for Judicial Educators and he became a Fellow of the CJEI; he is now a Director and Faculty member

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of the CJEI. He is also a certified Transpersonal Psychologist (2007) and a certified Mediator (2011). Justice Jamadar has written two books: "The Mechanics of Democracy" 1989, Inprint Ltd. and "Democracy & Constitutional Reform in Trinidad & Tobago" (with Dr. Kirk Meighoo) 2008, Ian Randle Publishers Ltd. He has also written numerous articles, including: "Women and the Law", in Why Not a Woman? 1993, Paria Publishing Co. Ltd. "Sabbatical Leave for Judicial Officers, the Case for, in Trinidad and Tobago", West Indian Law Journal, Vol. 33, May & October, 2008, Nos. 1 & 2; "Art and Techniques of Adjudicating, Uncovering the Artistry of Adjudication", West Indian Law Journal, Vol. 35, May, 2010, No. 1; "Access to Justice, Pathway to Peace: Constructing Sustainable Civilizations", CJEI Report, Newsletter of the Commonwealth Judicial Education Institute, Winter 2010; "The Triumphs and Trials of Judicial Education in a Small Jurisdiction", IOJT Journal, Issue 5, 2016, (with Kent Jardine, Judicial Educator, JEITT); "Securing Equality for All", (with Dr. Dylan Kerrigan, Elron Elahie and Torri Sinanan) 2017, Judicial Dialogue, Port-of-Spain, Trinidad; and "The Role of the CPR Judge", (with Kamla Jo Braithwaite) 2017, JEITT/ Paria Publishing Co. Ltd. Justice Jamadar serves on several committees within the Judiciary, including the Rules Committee of the Supreme Court (2002-); the Bench Bar Committee (2008-); and the Judicial Research Counsel Management Committee (2010-). He is also the fourth and current Chairperson of the Trinidad and Tobago Judicial Educational Institute (JEITT), having been so appointed in 2009. Justice Jamadar is married to Shail Pooransingh-Jamadar, an attorney-at-law, and he has two daughters, Serayah and Rebekah. He lives in San Fernando, Trinidad.

### The Honourable Madam Justice Andromache Karakatsanis, Supreme Court of Canada



Justice Andromache Karakatsanis was called to the bar in 1982. After several years in private practice, she was appointed Chair and CEO of the Liquor Licence Board of Ontario. Justice Karakatsanis also served as Secretary of the Ontario Native Affairs Secretariat and as Deputy Attorney General. In 2000 she became Secretary of the Cabinet and Clerk of the Executive Council. As the senior public servant in Ontario, Justice Karakatsanis provided leadership to the Deputy Ministers and the Ontario Public Service. In her private life, she volunteered on numerous boards the Public Policy Forum and of Canadian Policy and Research Networks (CPRN) and she chaired the Board of Directors of the Toronto YMCA. Justice Karakatsanis served more than seven years as a judge of the Ontario Superior Court of Justice. In March 2010, she was appointed a judge of the Court of Appeal for Ontario and a judge of the Supreme Court of Canada in October 2011.

## The Honourable Justice C. Adèle Kent, Chief Judicial Officer, National Judicial Institute, Canada\*\*\*



Justice Adèle Kent was born and raised in Calgary, Alberta. After completing studies in political science, she attended law school at the University of Alberta, graduating with an LLB in 1977. She was admitted to the Alberta bur in 1978. She practiced law in Edmonton and then in Calgary, focusing her practice in the latter years on health law and construction litigation. Justice Kent was appointed to the Court of Queen's Bench of Alberta in February, 1994. Since her appointment, she has been a member of several committees of the Court including the Media Relations Committee, the Civil Procedure Committee, the List Management Committee and the Strategic Planning Committee. She was also a member of the Public Information Committee of the Canadian Judicial Council and the National Advisory Committee on Judicial

Ethics, first as a member and then as co-chair. In August 2014, Justice Kent was appointed Executive Director of the National Judicial Institute. Prior to her appointment, she worked on several NJI courses on judicial ethics, science and civil law. She also assisted the judiciary in other countries in the design of judicial education courses. In 2005, she published a book entitled Medical Ethics: the State of the Law. Justice Kent speaks English and French.

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# The Honourable Mr. Justice Asif Saced Khan Khosa, Supreme Court, Pakistan\*& \*\*



Mr. Justice Asif Saeed Khan Khosa was born on 21 December 1954 in Dera Ghazi Khan, Pakistan. He obtained his B.A. in 1973 and his M.A. in English Language and Literature in 1975 from the University of Punjab. He has a Tripos – I: Law Tripos, Part I and a LL.M. with specialization in Public International Law in the subjects of the Law of Peace, the Law of War and Armed Conflict, the Law of International Institutions and the Law of Civil Liberties from Queens' College, University of Cambridge, United Kingdom. On 26 July 1979, Justice Khosa was called to the Bar at the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn, London, United Kingdom. He enrolled as Advocate of the Lahore High Court on 13 November 1979 and as Advocate of the Supreme Court of Pakistan on 12 September 1985. His publications include "Heeding the

Constitution" (published in 1995 by PLD Publishers); "Constitutional Apologues" (published in 1997 by Kausar Brothers); edited and compiled "The Constitution of Pakistan, 1973" with all amendments up-to-date (published in 1989 by Kausar Brothers and reprinted every year); "Judging with Passion" (published in 2008 by Kausar Brothers); and "Breaking New Ground" (in the process of completion). Justice Khosa was Chief Editor of Key Law Reports (KLR) from 1989 to 1998 and has written scores of articles and research papers on diverse constitutional and legal issues published in major law reports and newspapers of the country since 1988. He was a part-time lecturer of Constitutional Law at the University Law College, Bahauddin Zakariya University, Multan, Pakistan from 1982 to 1985; at the Punjab University Law College, Lahore, Pakistan from 1986 to 1992 and from 1995 to 1996; and at the Pakistan College of Law, Lahore, Pakistan from 1996 to 1998. He has been a visiting lecturer of Constitutional Law at the Civil Services Academy, Lahore; National Institute of Public Administration (NIPA), Lahore; National Police Academy, Islamabad; Staff Training Institute of the Services and General Administration Department of the Government of the Punjab; Training Course for Civil Judges conducted by the Lahore High Court; and the Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS). Justice Khosa was elevated to the Bench and appointed as a Judge of the Lahore High Court on 21 May 1998. He was appointed as a Judge of the Supreme Court of Pakistan on 18 February 2010 and serves in that capacity to date. He has acted as the Chief Justice of Pakistan on several occasions. Justice Khosa has decided about fifty-five thousand cases over a period of more than nineteen and a half years so far. Justice Khosa attended and represented Pakistan in international conferences, seminars and symposia held in Sri Lanka, India, Nepal, Canada, Tanzania, United Kingdom, Mauritius, Malaysia, Nigeria, Turkey, Scotland, Republic of Ireland, Bermuda, Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus, United States of America, Japan and Italy. Justice Khosa is a founding member of the SAARCLAW and a Fellow and elected member of the Board of Directors of the Commonwealth Judicial Education Institute, Halifax, Canada. He has been a member of the Rhodes Scholarship Selection Committee for Pakistan since 2004; in charge Judge of the Federal Judicial Academy, Islamabad, Pakistan since 2015; Member of the Judicial Commission of Pakistan since 2015; and Member of the Supreme Judicial Council of Pakistan since 2015. He was Chairman, Shariat Appellate Bench of the Supreme Court of Pakistan in 2016. He is married and blessed with two daughters and four grandchildren.

## The Honourable Madam Justice Maytrie Kuldip Singh, Court of Justice, Suriname



Justice Maytrie Kuldip Singh was born on 20th July, 1972 in Paramaribo (the capital of Suriname). She completed her masters degree in law at the Surinamese Uuniversity in November 2000. She worked as a human rights lawyer in an NGO called "Moiwana' 86 Human Rights Organization Suriname" which was funded by a Dutch Organization called Cordaid from November 2000 until 2003 when she went to work as an internee in a law firm. She was a judge in training from 2004 until 2008. In 2009, she was appointed a judge and is currently a full member of the Court of Justice of Suriname. Her dduties include both civil and criminal cases in first instance and the appeal court. Currently, she is also involved in the portfolio of education programs for judges in training and court clerks. She is part of a Catholic Church choir and practices shooting. She lives in a suburb, which is a one to one and half hour drive from her workplace. She likes animals a lot and the suburb which she lives has a lot of birds, frogs,

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caymans, fish, otters eating fish, snakes and rabbits. She also has a housecat and a dog who do not bother each other. Living between these animals in an area with many trees can be quite an adventure and is a great balance for all her law cases. Therefore, she recommend everyone to take good care of our Mother Nature, following the melodies of the song of Saint Francis of Assisi (called the sunsong) so that we and our future generations can enjoy the benefits of Mother nature as long as possible.

#### The Honourable Sidney N. Lederman, Q.C., Retired Judge, Canada



Sidney Lederman served as a judge of the Superior Court of Justice for Ontario for 24 years. Prior to his appointment to the Bench, he was a senior partner and head of the litigation department at Stilkeman, Elliott with an emphasis on corporate and securities litigation. He is the co-author of *The Law of Evidence in Civil Cases* and the leading text, *The Law of Evidence in Canadia* (5th ed., 2018). As an educator, Sidney Lederman was a professor at Osgoode Hall Law School and was one of the founders of the Canadian Institute for the Administration of Justice. In that capacity, he developed and conducted education programs for the judiciary in Canada and the Commonwealth. He was the first President of the Canadian Human Rights Tribunal. Sidney Lederman is an Honourary Director of the Canadian Institute for the Administration of Justice and a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers.

#### The Honourable Mr. Justice Brian W. Lennox, Ontario Court of Justice, Canada



Brian W. Lennox is a per diem judge of the Ontario Court of Justice. Executive Director of the National Judicial Institute from 2007 to 2014, he was the Chief Justice of the Ontario Court of Justice from 1999 to 2007, having previously been Associate Chief Justice and Regional Senior Judge of the same Court. He holds a B.A. from York University, an LL.B. from the University of Toronto, a graduate degree in criminal law (D.E.S.) from the University of Paris and an LL.D. (Hon.) from the Law Society of Upper Canada. Called to the bar in 1975, he practiced law in Ottawa before being appointed an Assistant Crown Attorney in 1978 and a judge of the Provincial Court (Criminal Division) in 1986. He has been co-Chair of the Ontario Judicial Council, Chair of the Justices of the Peace Review Council, a member of the Board of the Ontario Justice Education Network, a member of the Canadian Council of Chief Judges and an executive member of the International Organization for Judicial Training. He was for 14 years

an adjunct professor at the University of Ottawa and has worked on judicial education projects in Africa, Asia and the Americas

### The Honourable Mr. Justice Madan B. Lokur, Supreme Court, India\*&\*\*



Justice Madan B. Lokur was born on 31st December 1953. He studied in Modern School, New Delhi until 1968 and thereafter passed ISCE examination in 1970-71 from St. Josephs Collegiate, Allahabad. He graduated in History (Honours) from St. Stephen's College, Delhi University in 1974 and obtained LL.B. degree from Faculty of Law, Delhi University in 1977. He enrolled as an Advocate on 28th July 1977. He practiced in the Supreme Court of India and the Delhi High Court. He qualified the examination and enrolled as an Advocate-on-Record in the Supreme Court in 1981. Justice Lokur is experienced in Civil, Criminal, Constitutional, Revenue, and Service laws. He was Editor, ILR (Delhi Series) from February 1983 and continued as such until his elevation to the Delhi High Court. He was Central Government Standing Counsel from December 1990 to December 1996 during which period had handled all

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kinds of cases on behalf of the Central Government including criminal trials in respect of economic offences. He was designated as Senior Advocate in February 1997. He was appointed additional Solicitor General of India on 14th July 1998 and continued as such until his appointment as an Additional Judge of Delhi High Court on 19th February 1999. He was appointed as Permanent Judge of that High Court on 5th July 1999. Justice Lokur was Acting Chief Justice of the Delhi High Court from 13th February 2010 to 21st May 2010; Chief Justice of Gauhati High Court from 24th June 2010 to 14th November 2011 and Chief Justice of High Court of Andhra Pradesh from 15th November 2011 to 3rd June 2012. He was appointed Judge of the Supreme Court on 4th June 2012. His interests include judicial reforms, computerization of courts, judicial education, legal aid and services, juvenile justice and ADR. Justice Lokur has been a Member of the Mediation & Conciliation Project Committee of the Supreme Court of India since its inception in 2005. He is the judge in charge of the E-Committee of the Supreme Court of India. He was appointed as one-Man Committee to suggest improvements in the working of the Homes and organization under the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection and Children) Act, 2000 and the Juvenile Justice (Care and Protection of Children) Rules, 2007. He is the Executive Chairman of National Legal Services Authority.

# The Honourable Justice Gillian Lucky, High Court, Trinidad and Tobago



Justice Gillian Lucky joined the Judiciary after distinguished service in the positions of Senior State Counsel in the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions; Government Senator; Minister in the Ministry of the Attorney General and Legal Affairs, Chairman of the Omnibus Legislation Committee; Committee for the Regularization of the Home Video Industry; Member of the Crime and Justice Commission and Opposition Member of Parliament. Justice Lucky's professional experience in the field of law has been multifaceted and varied. Justice Lucky is a graduate of the Faculty of Law, University of the West Indies (UWI) and was awarded the Therese Sylvester Prize for the Most Outstanding University Student at the Cave Hill Campus. She is a Certified

Practitioner of Oversight (CPO) issued by the National Association for Civilian Oversight of Law Enforcement (NACOLE) 2013-2016. In 2010, the newly appointed Judge was selected as Director of the Police Complaints Authority, a role she held until her assumption at the Judiciary. Justice Lucky has not only served the national community but has been dedicated to the welfare of the country.

# The Honourable Mr. Justice Mark Mohammed, Court of Appeal, Trinidad & Tobago



Justice Mark Mohammed obtained his primary education at the University School. He attended Hillview College from 1974 to 1981, when he was awarded an Open Scholarship in Modern Studies. He graduated from the University of the West Indies with a Bachelor of Laws degree in 1984 and obtained his Legal Education Certificate from the Sir Hugh Wooding Law School in 1986. He was admitted to practise at the Bar of Trinidad & Tobago in the same year. Justice Mohammed began his Legal Career in 1987 as State Counsel in the Solicitor-General's Department. On his own application, he was transferred to the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions (DPP) in August 1987. As State Counsel, he prosecuted extensively before the Magistrates' Courts, particularly in preliminary enquiries into charges of murder. Between 1983 and 1997, as State Counsel III and Assistant DPP, he prosecuted in the Port of Spain Criminal

Assizes and in appeals before the Court of Appeal. He was appointed DPP on the 31st July, 1998, the youngest in the Commonwealth of Nations. Between 1989 and 1998, Justice Mohammed participated in several law-enforcement seminars in Trinidad & Tobago and abroad on forensic investigation, prosecution of money-laundering offences, drugtrafficking investigations and extradition. As DPP, he managed to clear a substantial backlog of indictments, reducing from 2 to 3 years to 2 to 3 months the average time from the receipt of depositions from the Magistrates' Courts to the filling of indictments. He also implemented a case management system and conducted regular Assize and Magistrates' Court workshops to sensitise prosecuting attorneys to various legal issues. He was appointed as Senior Counsel in 2001. He served as DPP until his appointment as Judge of the High Court on the 1st July, 2002. As a High Court Judge, Justice Mohammed has heard several high profile criminal matters. After serving 11 years on the bench of the High Court, he was appointed to the Court of Appeal on the 12st November, 2013. Justice Mohammed has served on several key internal

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committees looking at the Administration of Justice and Criminal Case Management. Most recently, he served as Deputy Chairman in the Committees responsible for both the Trinidad and Tobago Criminal Bench Book 2015 and the Sentencing Handbook 2016. He has also served as Deputy Chairman of the Criminal Procedure Rules 2016 Implementation Committee. He is married with children.

### Master Christie Ann Morris-Alleyne, Trinidad and Tobago Court Executive Administrator, Judiciary of Trinidad and Tobago



Master Christie-Anne Morris-Alleyne joined the Judiciary of Trinidad and Tobago in 1981 as an Assistant Registrar and Deputy Marshal having been admitted to practice earlier that year. She has held the posts of Deputy Registrar and of Registrar and Marshal as well as that of Master of the High Court of Trinidad and Tobago. Master Morris-Alleyne has been heavily involved in Judicial Reform since 1987 and is credited with introducing Computer Aided Transcription and Court Information Technology to the Caribbean, including the first case management system in 1992 and founded the Caribbean Association of Court Technology Users (CACTUS) in 2002. She was the first Court Executive Administrator of the Judiciary of Trinidad and Tobago where she created the Department of Court Administration in 1998.

Together with then Chief Justice of Trinidad and Tobago, the Right Honourable Mr. Justice de la Bastide, Master Morris-Alleyne began judicial education programmes in Trinidad and Tobago and with Mr Anthony Durrant, founded the Judicial Education Institute of Trinidad and Tobago. She was also a member of the Special Criminal Court Committee of Trinidad and Tobago, and chaired the Cabinet appointed Committee to implement the Children's Authority and the Committee to implement and revamp the package of Children legislation consisting of seven pieces of legislation which together seek to ensure the protection of childhood. Master-Morris-Alleyne also remains a member of the Family Court Monitoring Committee and in 2014, she was appointed Project Director of the Trinidad and Tobago Juvenile Court Project (TTJCP), a Judiciary project supported by USAID and UNDP. Her efforts with this project and the Family Court Monitoring Committee culminated with the establishment of the Family and Children Division of the High Court which includes two of the first specialised problem-solving courts in Trinidad and Tobago - the Family Court and the Children Court. For her work, Master Morris-Alleyne was honoured by the public service of her country as one of the Fifty Most Outstanding Public Servants in the 50 years of independence of Trinidad and Tobago.

To date, Master Morris-Alleyne continues to be a visionary in her efforts to reform the Judiciary of Trinidad and Tobago's e-service capacity. Since 2017, she has implemented CourtPay - an e-service for the maintenance payments and soon, court fines, fees and other trust payments; has developed CourtMail - an e-service collaborative tool for the development, generation and distribution of documents including orders; the Probate E-Registry for the online delivery of Probate services to customers; and the Trinidad and Tobago Judiciary's Information Management System (TT.Jim) - a court case management system developed together with the National Center for State Courts (NCSC) which will soon be implemented in all areas.

Though Master Morris-Alleyne has worked rigorously to modernise the Judiciary of Trinidad and Tobago, her efforts have also extended to the wider Caribbean region and internationally. A graduate fellow of the US Institute of Court Management of the NCSC and a certified Project Management Professional, Master Morris-Alleyne was appointed Court Executive Administrator of the Caribbean Court of Justice (CCJ) at the start-up of the organisation. In this capacity, together with Professor Ralph Carnegie, she conceived of the JURIST Project and after his death, saw it through to the execution of the grant. While at CCJ, together with Justice Christopher Blackman of the Bahamas, she established the Caribbean Association of Judicial Officers (CAJO). She also established the Caribbean Academy for Law and Court Administration (CALCA). CALCA was the education arm of the CCJ which was developed to advance knowledge, training and research not only for judicial officers and attorneys at law but also to advance court administration in the region. She has also worked with the judiciaries of the Eastern Caribbean and Jamaica in their reforms including the implementation of their new Civil Procedure Rules and their information technology and has advised and conducted

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training for the judiciaries of Guyana, Barbados, Eastern Caribbean, Jamaica and Belize in preparation for their justice reforms. She has taught case flow management principles at CJEI and to judges of several Commonwealth countries.

She is married to an attorney at law and together, they have a son and three daughters.

## The Honourable Mr. Justice Dennis Morrison, President, Court of Appeal, Jamaica



Justice Dennis Morrison was appointed to the Court of Appeal of Jamaica direct from private practice in 2008. Dennis has been the President of the court since January 2016. He has also served as a judge of the Court of Appeal of Belize (2004-2015); acted as a judge of the Eastern Caribbean Court of Appeal (January 2015); and is a judge of the Court of Appeal of the Cayman Islands (since May 2015). In addition, he is currently a member of the Regional Judicial and Legal Services Commission. Dennis was educated at the University of the West Indies (Mona and Cave Hill), the Norman Manley Law School and Oxford University (Jamaica Rhodes Scholar, 1975). Called to the Bar in Jamaica in 1975, he was a full-time member of the academic staff of the Norman Manley Law School until 1982 and continues to serve as an Associate Tutor. He has also served as an adjunct lecturer in the Faculty of Law at the University of the West Indies. A former chair of the Council of Legal Education (1998-2005).

Dennis currently serves as chair of the Continuing Legal Professional Development Committee of the General Legal Council, the body responsible for the maintenance of professional standards in Jamaica. Prior to 2008, Dennis practised law for over 30 years, appearing as an advocate in a wide range of matters in Jamaica, elsewhere in the Commonwealth Caribbean and the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council. He was appointed Queen's Counsel in 1994. Dennis is a frequent lecturer at local, regional and international conferences and seminars and has also written and published numerous academic articles on a variety of legal subjects. In June 2018, he was one of the presenters at the CJET's annual summer programme in Halifax, Nova Scotia. Dennis is married (to Janet, an attorney-at-law in private practice), with four adult children and three grandchildren. He enjoys music, books, art and travel.

### The Honourable Mrs. Justice Opeyemi Oke, Chief Judge of Lagos State, Nigeria\*\*

Justice Opeyemi Oke is a Judge of the High Court of Lagos State. She graduated from the University of Ife, Ile-Ife (now Obafemi Awolowo University) and was called to the Nigeria Bar in 1979. She has a Masters Degree of Science in Criminal Justice Administration from Coppin State College, Baltimore, State of Maryland, USA in 1982 with a First Class Honours. A Hubert Humphrey Fellow of the American University (Washington D.C) - Full Bright Scholar specializing in Judicial Reform, Conflict Management and Social Justice. She has a Certificate in Negotiation from Harvard Law School, USA. She is a U.K CEDR Accredited Mediator. She is a Fellow of the Nigerian Institute of Chartered Arbitrators (FCArb). She was an External Examiner with the Nigerian Law School for about ten years. She was the first Chairman of the Governing Council of the Lagos Multi-Door Courthouse, the first Court Connected Alternative Dispute Resolution Center in Africa from 2008-2014. Chairman of the High Court of Lagos State (Civil Procedure) Rules Review Committee from 2000 - 2012 and Head of Fast Track Division of the High Court from 2004-2008 and from 2012 - 2014. She was the Administrative Judge of the Lagos Judicial Division of the High Court of Lagos State, and heads the General Civil Division from 2014 - 2017. On 25th September 2017, she was appointed the Acting Chief Judge of Lagos State and was subsequently sworn in as the substantive Chief Judge of Lagos State on the 20th day of October 2017. A Member of the World Jurist Association, International Association of Women Judges, National Association of Women Judges, Life member of the Commonwealth Association of Magistrates and Judges. Honorary Member of the Rotary International and Honorary Member of the Linn County Bar Association, Ashland, Oregon, USA. She has delivered so many papers and lectures locally and internationally. An advocate of a positive change in the administration of Justice. She cherishes her outh of office and integrity. She is blessed with children and grandchildren. Her hobbies include reading, gardening, music, aerobics, acting and script writing.

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#### Judge (R) Sandra E. Oxner, CJEI Founding President\*



Sandra E. Oxner is a retired Canadian judge. She has spent 46 years working in judicial education and judicial reform both in Canada and internationally. She has been President of the Canadian Association of Provincial Court Judges, the Canadian Institute for the Administration of Justice and the Commonwealth Magistrates' and Judges' Association, a founding Director of the Canadian Institute for Advanced Legal Studies and is founding President of Commonwealth Judicial Education Institute. Her work in this area has been recognized in her appointment as an Officer of the Order of Canada, as a recipient of the Freedom of the City of London, by honorary degrees and other national and international awards and honours. One she particularly cherishes is being named an honorary judge of the Malawi Judiciary. Since her retirement from the Bench, in addition to volunteer judicial education work, she has worked as a judicial reform consultant

with the World Bank, UNDP, the Asian Development Bank, the Inter-American Development Bank, British Council, USAID and CIDA in over 60 jurisdictions throughout the world with all legal families. She has written extensively in the field.

# The Honourable Madam Justice Charmaine Althea Joy Pemberton, Court of Appeal, Trinidad & Tobago



Justice Charmaine Pemberton received her education at Bishop Anstey High School; the University of the West Indies (LL.B (Hons 1991); The Hugh Wooding Law School (L.E.C. 1983); The Institute of International Relations, St. Augustine (Dip. I.R. (Dist.) 1992 and the University of Nottingham (LL.M 1993). In 1983, she was admitted as a Solicitor to the Bar of Trinidad and Tobago where she served both in the public service and at the private Bar until 1999. She enjoyed a short stint as a sole practitioner until July, 2000 when she joined the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court as its first Master. In 2003, Justice Pemberton was elevated to Judgeship, and served in St. Lucia and St. Kitts and Nevis, before becoming the first resident female Judge in Granada, whilst serving in Dominica as well. In 2005, Justice Pemberton returned to her native Trinidad and Tobago to serve on the High Court Bench in the Civil

Division. In 2016, she was welcomed to the Bench of the Court of Appeal of Trinidad and Tobago. Justice Pemberton's passion is ADR and continuing legal education. She holds certification as a Mediator and Mediator Trainer in Trinidad and Tobago. She is a Trained Family Law and Divorce Mediator; a Judicial Settlement Officer in both Civil and Family Divisions and holds the designation FCIArb. She is a certified Judicial Trainer having received that designation from the University College, London. As such, Justice Pemberton continues to train Judicial Officers, not only in her native Trinidad and Tobago but also in the Eastern Caribbean and Guyana. She continues her involvement in community affairs by authoring and presenting several papers and sharing her thoughts on diverse topics to a variety of audiences.

# Dr. Tony George Puthucherril, Research & Teaching Associate at the Marine & Environmental Law Institute and a Senior Research Fellow with the International Ocean Institute, Canada



Tony George Puthucherril is a Research & Teaching Associate at the Marine & Environmental Law Institute and a Senior Research Fellow with the International Ocean Institute, Canada. He is a former Assistant Professor at the National Judicial Academy, India. He holds an M.Phil. in Water Resources Law from the National University of Juridical Sciences, India and an LL.M. in Maritime Law and a Ph.D. in Sea Level Rise & Coastal Law from Dalhousie University. He was awarded the Vanier Canada Graduate Scholarship. Presently, he lectures on Property Law, Law of the Sea, and Ocean Law and Policy at the Schulich School of Law, Dalhousie University. He is the author of - "From Shipbreaking to Sustainable Ship Recycling: Evolution of a Legal Regime" (Martinus Nijhoff, 2010) & Towards Sustainable Coastal Development: Institutionalizing Integrated Coastal Zone Management and Coastal Climate Change

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Adaptation in South Asia" (Martinus Nijhoff, 2014). He has also qualified the National Committee on Accreditation exams for international lawyers.

#### Master Carl Quamina, Trinidad & Tobago



Carl Quamina is an acting master of the High Court assigned to the Family Court. He, together with three other masters, are responsible for addressing applications filed in the St George West district for relief in matters of maintenance, custody, domestic violence and other associated family matters. Mr. Quamina joined the Judiciary in 2012 and has presided over a wide range of magisterial matters; being trained in mediation he provides a unique court room experience and is a proponent of restorative justice practical sentencing and gender sensitive adjudication. His initiatives include: the introduction of non-financial relief by way of emotional support and supervision of minors as part of maintenance orders; promoting the use of counselling by government and non-governmental agencies as part of rehabilitation for offenders; promoting the use of mediation and dispute resolution techniques to empower litigants to "own" their outcome and maximise compliance; simplifying the process, language and procedure to ensure participation

and using available systems to assist parties resolve issues. Before his appointment to the judiciary Mr. Quamina managed a small firm of attorneys and practiced as an advocate attorney at law. Additionally, he served as a board member of the Eastern Regional Health Authority, local government councillor and chairman of the personnel committee of the Sangre Grande Regional corporation. Mr. Quamina has a passion for learning and presenting and has attended numerous training programmes offered by JEITT and was a participant/ trainer in a series of workshops on gender sensitive adjudication held in Jamaica, Guyana and Trinidad in 2017. He presented on an aspect of the protocols at the annual continuing education seminar for judicial officers in Trinidad in 2017 and contributed to the compilation of the Protocols for use by Judicial officers. Mr. Quamina has been also involved in volunteer work in assisting school-based management, parent advocacy and working with young persons.

#### The Honourable Madam Justice Margaret Reifer, Court of Appeal (Ag), Barbados\*\*

Madam Justice Margaret Reifer is a Justice of Appeal (Acting) of the Supreme Court of Barbados. She was admitted as an Attorney-at-Law in Barbados in 1982. She is a graduate of the Faculty of Law of the University of the West Indies and the Hugh Wooding Law School. Justice Reifer started her legal career in the public service of Barbados but joined the private bar a few years later. She worked at the private bar between 1984 and 2005 in a primarily civil law practice. In 1998 she became part of a legal partnership Symmonds Greene Reifer Attorneys at law where she remained a partner until joining the bench. Justice Reifer acted as a judge periodically from 2002 until October 2005 when she joined the bench permanently. Until her appointment as an acting Justice of Appeal in 2017, Justice Reifer has been active in continuing legal education initiatives throughout her career. First, while at the Bar, as a member of the Council of the Barbados Bar Association and through its Continuing Legal Education Committee. And second, as a judge, she has been a member of the Further Education and Training Committee for the Barbados judiciary since 2010 and its Chairperson since 2012. In that capacity, she has had responsibility for the planning and implementation of a number of further judicial education events, most recently the 2018 Judicial Retreat in Bridgetown, Barbados. Justice Reifer has been a Fellow of the CJEI since 2011, having completed the annual Intensive Study Programme and becoming certified in June of that year. In her spare time, she enjoys reading, music, gardening and travel.

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# Mr. Norman Sabourin, Executive Director & Senior General Counsel, Canadian Judicial Council, Canada

Norman Sabourin is a graduate in law from the University of Ottawa and a Member of the Québec Bar. He has worked in many positions as a senior manager within the Government of Canada. A former Registrar of Canadian Citizenship, he worked on legislative proposals for citizenship in Canada and participated at the Council of Europe in the development of the European Convention on Nationality. In addition to nationality law, he has expertise in labour law and administrative law. Since 2004, Mr Sabourin has served as Executive Director and Senior General Counsel of the Canadian Judicial Council, under the leadership of the Chief Justice of Canada. He is responsible for administering the review of complaints against federally appointed judges. In that role, he has acquired expertise in the areas of constitutional law and judicial ethics. In support of the Council's mandate, he also works closely with all Chief Justices and Associate Chief Justices of Canada's Superior Courts in their mandate of fostering a sound and efficient administration of justice.

# Dr. Joseph Sadek, Associate Professor of Psychiatry, Dalhousie University, Canada



Dr. Joseph Sadek is an Associate Professor of Psychiatry at Dalhousie University and the clinical and academic leader, Nova Scotia Hospital, Acute Care. He chaired the provincial Suicide Prevention Task Force and served as the regional director for the Canadian ADHD resource Alliance and the head of the neurosciences professional competency unit component at Dalhousie University. Dr. Sadek is a Diplomat of the American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology (DABPN) and fellow of the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada (FRCPC) (2005). In addition to his medical degree, Dr. Sadek also holds a pharmacy degree (B.Sc. Pharm) and an MBA from St. Mary's University in Halifax and completed the one year Global Clinical Scholars research Training program (GCSRT) at Harvard University. Dr. Sadek completed his psychiatry residency program (Dalhousie University) and psychopharmacology research training, (Harvard University) in 2004. He served at the Dalhousie University Senate

and worked in different committees and boards including The Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sport (CCES), NS Provincial Education and Training Working Group, Dalhousie Progress Committee and Undergrad Curriculum Committee, Hospital Investigation sub-Committee, and The Research Ethics Board. He was the vice president of The Canadian ADHD Resource Alliance and the District Medical Staff Association, CDHA. Dr. Sadek published 4 books including Clinician's guide to ADHD (2013), Clinician's guide to adult ADHD comorbidities (2016), Clinician's guide to Children and Adolescents ADHD comorbidities (2018), and The Clinician's Guide to suicide risk assessment and management (2018). Dr. Sadek has several peer-reviewed publications and served as principal investigator for several clinical trials. He wrote a book chapter: Stimulant Medications, The SAGE Encyclopedia of Abnormal and Clinical Psychology in 2017 and developed the patient assessment and education site <a href="https://www.mentalhealthinnovation.com">www.mentalhealthinnovation.com</a>. He is an external reviewer Journal of Attention Disorders, The Canadian Journal of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, Journal of Inherited Metabolic Disease. Dr. Sadek received several awards and grants. Latest in 2017, "the MBA Alumni Impact Award" from St. Mary's University and The Harvard Medical School Award for the Capstone Research Project.

# The Honourable Mr. Justice Adrian Saunders, President, Caribbean Court of Justice, Trinidad & Tobago\*& \*\*



Mr. Justice Adrian Dudley Saunders was called to the Bar of St. Vincent & the Grenadines in 1977. He remained in private practice as a barrister and solicitor until 1996 when he was appointed as a Judge of the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court (ECSC). In 2003, he was confirmed as a Justice of Appeal of the ECSC. He was appointed to act as Chief Justice of that Court in 2004 and held that position until his appointment as a Judge of the Caribbean Court of Justice in 2005. On the 4<sup>th</sup> of July 2018, Mr. Justice Saunders became the President of the Caribbean Court of Justice. Since assuming judicial office, he has been deeply involved in judicial education and judicial reform issues. He chaired the Committee that introduced court

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connected mediation in the Eastern Caribbean. As Chairman of the Ethics Committee of the ECSC, he presided over production of a code of ethics for judges of that Court. He also served as Chairman of the Judicial Education Institute of the ECSC from 2001 to 2004. For the last several years, he has been the Course Director of the Intensive Study Programme of the Halifax-based Commonwealth Judicial Education Institute. Mr. Justice Saunders was elected Chairman of the Caribbean Association of Judicial Officers (CAJO) in 2009. He also chairs the West Indies Cricket Board's Disciplinary Committee and is a member of the International Cricket Council's Code of Conduct Commission. Mr. Justice Saunders has written and published several legal articles. He is a Consulting Editor of *The Caribbean Civil Court Practice* and a co-author of *Fundamentals of Caribbean Constitutional Law* recently published by Sweet & Maxwell.

## The Honourable Madam Justice Priya Sewnarine-Beharry, Supreme Court of Judicature, Guyana\*\*



Justice Priya Sewnarine-Beharry was admitted to practice as an Attorney at law on 12th October, 2001 by the Supreme Court of Judicature of Guyana. She was appointed Magistrate on the 4th May, 2005, Senior Magistrate on the 15th July, 2008, Principal Magistrate on 1th September, 2010, the Chief Magistrate on February 22th, 2011; She is a Fellow of the Commonwealth Judicial Education Institute, a past Secretary and President of the Magistrates' Association of Guyana. She was appointed a Puisne Judge of the High Court of the Supreme Court in June 2015. She is presently a member of the Education Committee of the Judicial Education Institute of Guyana and Guyana Association of Women Judges.

# The Honourable Mr. Justice Dinesh D. Sewratan, Court of Justice, Suriname



Justice Dinesh D. Sewratan, is a senior Judge of the court of justice of Suriname. He was born on 20 November 1970 in Paramaribo, Suriname. He graduated from de mr.dr.J.C. De Miranda Lyceum in 1989. In that same year he entered the Anton de Kom University of Suriname and achieved his master in Law degree in March 1994. In November 1993 he already was admitted to the five-year post-graduate training for judge which he successfully finished in November 1998. From November 1998 he assisted a senior judge in drafting written decisions in civil case till April 2001. In April 2001 he was appointed as a substitute member of the court of justice of Suriname. In May 2005 he was lifetime appointed as a member of the court of Justice of Suriname. In his 17 years career as a judge he has held several positions in court such as judge of instructions in criminal matters, judge at the cantonal courts in civil cases, judge at the cantonal courts in criminal cases and since a couple of years as Chairman of several chambers

mainly in civil cases pending at the court of justice as appellate court of justice. Since October 2014 he is also chairman of the "judge in training council" which is a council responsible for selecting eligible candidates for the training to achieve the competences needed to be nominated for appointment as a judge. This council is furthermore responsible for organizing the training for these candidates.

## The Honourable Madam Justice Andrea Smart, High Court, Trinidad & Tobago

Justice Andrea Marianne Smart was sworn in as a Puisne Judge of the High Court of Trinidad and Tobago in September 2013 and currently sits in the Family Court of the Family and Children Division. Justice Smart obtained her law degree from the University of the West Indies in 1979 and began her legal career in Port of Spain, Trinidad. She migrated to Canada in 1989, obtained the Canadian law degree from the University of Toronto in 1991 and was called to the Ontario Bar in 1992. Justice Smart obtained her family medication accreditation from the University of Toronto in 1993. Justice Smart practised in Toronto for over 20 years, mainly in the area of family law, including extensive work in the child welfare field and representing children in family matters. She also spent several years in the area of estates and trusts law when she completed the Canadian Securities Course and obtained the designation of Trust Officer. In January 2011,

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Justice Smart was called to the Bar of the territory of Nunavut and practised in Canada's artic with the Legal Services Board of Nunavut until August 2013 before returning to Trinidad and Tobago to take up the judicial appointment.

# The Honourable Mr. Justice Gregory Smith, Court of Appeal, Trinidad & Tobago



Justice Gregory Smith graduated with the Bachelor of Laws degree in 1980 from the University of the West Indies, Cave Hill, Barbados. After a brief stint as Audit Examiner at the Auditor General's Department in 1980-81, Mr. Smith undertook further studies in law at the Inns of Court School of Law, London. He was called to the Bar of England and Wales in July 1983, and the Bar of Trinidad & Tobago in March 1984. During the 1983-84 period, Mr. Smith undertook a period of pupillage in the Middle Temple chambers of Mr. John Perry QC. Between 1984 and 1987, Mr. Smith was involved in private practice in general litigation in Trinidad & Tobago. From 1987, he focused more specifically on civil litigation and general advisory practice. Mr. Smith was appointed temporary High Court judge from April to July 1997, and subsequently permanently appointed to the High Court bench on 1st August, 1997. From September 1991 to April 1997, Mr. Justice Smith was a Member of the Board of the

Legal Aid and Advisory Authority. He was Junior Member of the Council of the Law Association of Trinidad and Tobago for the 1993-1994 year, becoming Senior Member for the year 1995-1996. He was a member of the Hugh Wooding Law School's Panel of Judges for Moot Courts during 1996-97 and was an Associate Tutor at the Hugh Wooding Law School from September 1999 to September 2004. After twelve years of service on the High Court Bench, Mr. Justice Smith was appointed Justice of Appeal in September 2009. Since 2016, Mr. Justice Smith has been delivering a judgment writing course for judicial officers and their research assistants. He is married with three children. He has been the Vice President of the Queen's Park Cricket Club since December 2016.

## The Honourable Miss Justice Jennifer Straw, Supreme Court, Jamaica\*\*



Justice Jennifer Straw is a graduate of The Queen's High School for girls and was subsequently admitted to the Faculty of Law, University of the West Indies [UWI] in 1976 where she obtained her LLB degree in 1979. She then attended The Norman Manley Law School, Kingston, Jamaica from where she graduated in1981, having been awarded the Certificate in Legal Education. Justice Straw was admitted to the bar in October of that same year and subsequently entered the public service where she served as deputy clerk/ clerk of courts in the Corporate Area Resident Magistrates Court between 1981 to 1983. She subsequently transitioned to The Office of The Director of Public Prosecutions as prosecuting counsel in various courts in the island. In 1988, she began her career on the bench as Resident Magistrate and Juvenile Court Judge and continued in this position in various parishes in Jamaica. She was appointed Senior Resident Magistrate in the corporate area criminal court in 1999 where she

presided over the fraud court. In 2003, she transitioned to her present position as a Puisne judge in the Supreme Court of Jamaica and was confirmed in this position in 2006. Justice Straw is a Fellow of the Commonwealth Judicial Education Institute since June 2013. She was awarded national honours (Commander of Distinction-CD) in August 2017 for her service in the judiciary. Justice Straw obtained a Master of Arts degree in Theology with emphasis on pastoral counselling in July 2001 from the University of the West Indies. She presently assists with pastoral duties at Church on The Rock, Kingston. She is also a founding member of Teen Challenge Ja. Ltd, a faith based drug rehabilitation center, where she now serves on the Board of Directors.

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# The Honourable Madam Justice Gertel Thom, Court of Appeal & Chair, Judicial Education Institute, Saint Lucia\*\*&\*\*\*



Her Ladyship The Honourable Madame Justice Gertel Thom is a graduate of the University of the West Indies Cave Hill Campus where she obtained a Bachelor of Laws Degree (Hon's) and the Hugh Wooding Law School where she obtained her Legal Education Certificate in 1984. Later that year she was called to the Bar in Guyana, Her Ladyship has served at several levels of the justice system in the Caribbean, including State Counsel in the Director of Public Prosecutions Chambers, Legal Advisor the Geology and Mines Commission (Guyana), Principal Crown Counsel in the Attorney General Chambers (Montserrat) and Deputy Solicitor General in the Attorney General Chambers Antigua and Barbuda. In 1993 Her Ladyship was appointed to the office of Attorney General of Montserrat and in 2001 she was appointed to the office of Attorney General in Antigua and Barbuda. In 2005 Her Ladyship was appointed as a

High Court Judge of the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court and was assigned to the State of St Vincent and The Grenadines where she presided over both the Civil and Criminal Court. In 2014 Her Ladyship was elevated to the office of Justice of Appeal of the Eastern Caribbean Court of Appeal an office she currently holds. Her Ladyship also currently serves as a Member of the Judicial and Legal Services Commission of the Eastern Caribbean and Chairman of the Judicial Education Institute of the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court. Her Ladyship has been a fellow of the Commonwealth Judicial Education Institute since 2009. Her Ladyship is married to Justice Keith Thom (Antigua and Barbuda) and they have two children Kevin and Kristel and one granddaughter Kayla.

#### The Honourable Madam Justice Sonya Young, Supreme Court, Belize\*\*



Madam Justice Sonya Young is British born and a national of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines. She is a graduate of the University of the West Indies and acquired her Certificate of Legal Education in 1996. She also holds a post-graduate certificate in Competition Law from the University of the West Indies. She is a Fellow of the Commonwealth Judicial Education Institute. Before her appointment in her current position, as Judge of the Supreme Court of Belize, she was the Chief Magistrate in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines where she presided over the Serious Offences Court for six years. During that period, she became the first Magistrate in the region to deal with Civil Forfeiture applications and she determined the largest money laundering case in the OECS. As a Supreme Court Judge, she now deals mainly with civil matters and assisted with criminal case management in an effort to introduce the process in Belize. She has been Deputy Registrar of the Supreme Court in Saint Vincent and the

Grenadines and Registrar in Montserrat and the British Virgin Islands. In Montserrat Justice Young helped to restore the Registry from ground zero after it was devastated by persistent volcanic eruptions. She has also acted as Chief Registrar of the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court. Justice Young has a special interest in the empowerment and mentorship of girls and young women and has been a reappointed member of the Constitution Committee of the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts. Recently this interest has led her to cybercrime as it relates to children. She is the mother of an eighteen year old son.

### The Honourable Mme. Justice Alice Yorke-Soo Hon, Court of Appeal, Trinidad & Tobago



The Honourable Madame Justice Yorke-Soo Hon, a former teacher, was admitted to the Bar in 1982. Justice Yorke-Soo Hon was appointed to act as a Judge of the High Court on November 1, 1997. Prior to her appointment as a temporary judge, Justice Yorke-Soo Hon had over 15 years practice at the Bar, more notably in Criminal Law. Madame Justice Yorke-Soo Hon was appointed a Puisne Judge of the High Court on May 1, 1998. She is a graduate of the Hugh Wooding Law School where she serves today as an Associate Tutor in Criminal Practice and Procedure.

Madame Justice Yorke-Soo Hon was a founding member and the first Secretary of the Criminal Bar Association and a former member of the Council of the Law Association of Trinidad & Tobago.

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### **Unpictured Participants:**

The Honourable Mr. Justice Randall Worrell, High Court, Barbados

Magistrate Elwood Watts, Barbados

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