



**Circular No 144/2013
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To Members of the Malaysian Bar

**Post-Election Series Seminar:
Electoral Offences — Righting the Wrongs (29 June 2013)**

The 13th General Election was arguably the closest and fiercest the country has ever seen. Allegations of electoral fraud had surfaced long before the historic polling day on 5 May 2013, some of which have now culminated in the numerous election petitions filed by both sides of the political divide.

The Bar Council Constitutional Law Committee and Human Rights Committee are co-organising the second seminar of the Post-Election Series to discuss various issues relating to the electoral process, particularly the allegations and complaints that have arisen from the 13th General Election.

The details of the event are as follows:

Time: 9:30 am to 5:30 pm
Date: 29 June 2013 (Saturday)
Venue: Raja Aziz Addruse Auditorium, First Floor, Bar Council, 15 Leboh Pasar Besar, 50050 Kuala Lumpur
CPD Code: 29062013/BC/BC1147/5
CPD Points: Five
Registration: Admission is free but advance registration is required

The speakers and topics are:

- (1) **Azhar Azizan Harun**, Advocate and Solicitor; Writer: Overview of existing laws concerning the election process, particularly the Election Offences Act 1954 and the procedures of election petitions;
- (2) **Wan Saiful Wan Jan**, Chief Executive Officer, Institute for Democracy and Economic Affairs (“IDEAS”) (officially accredited by the Election Commission as observer of the 13th General Election): IDEAS’s observation of the 13th General Election;
- (3) **Jannie Lasimbang**, Member of Partners of Community Organisations in Sabah (“PACOS”): Views on election fraud and election-related offences from a Sabah perspective and an Orang Asal perspective; and

- (4) **James Nayagam**, Commissioner of the Human Rights Commission of Malaysia (“SUHAKAM”): Complaints or concerns of fraud or other electoral offences that have been raised with respect to elections in Malaysia, the actions that SUHAKAM has taken and is proposing to take, best practices in other countries, and SUHAKAM’s recommendations to the government.

For more details or to register, kindly contact Anusha Gopala Krishnan (03-2050 2097; anusha@malaysianbar.org.my) or Mohd Fazli Rosman (03-2050 2105; fazli@malaysianbar.org.my).

Thank you.

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