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To Members of the Malaysian Bar

**Update on Notification of Opening of High Court of Sungai Petani, Kedah
and Transfer of Cases**

We refer to [Circular No 206/2020](#) entitled “Notification of Opening of High Court of Sungai Petani, Kedah and Transfer of Cases” dated 2 July 2020 and [Circular No 213/2020](#) entitled “Notification of Opening of New High Courts” dated 6 July 2020. Both circulars mention the opening of the High Court of Sungai Petani in Kedah.

Please be informed that there has been a change of effective dates, with regard to the filing of cases in the High Court of Sungai Petani, Kedah. The details are as follows:

- (1) The High Court of Sungai Petani will hear criminal cases (including criminal appeal and application) starting from 10 July 2020;
- (2) The High Court of Sungai Petani will hear civil cases (“NCVC”) (not including civil cases in Special Courts such as Family Court, Construction Court and any other cases) beginning from 1 Aug 2020;
- (3) The filing of Court documents via e-filing at the High Court of Sungai Petani begins from the given effective date. Any documents filed before the effective date will be cancelled without refund of filing fees; and
- (4) All new cases filed before the effective date must be made at the High Court of Alor Setar, Kedah.

We hope that the information provided here is of assistance to Members. We will update Members as and when there are new developments.

Thank you.

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