

WEBINAR

Briefing on Human Rights: Monitoring and Urgent Arrest at Public Assemblies

Date: 19 Dec 2025 (Friday) | Time: 2:30 pm to 4:30 pm

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The Bar Council Human Rights Committee ("BCHRC") has over the years formed monitoring teams to observe and document public rallies, walks, demonstrations and protests. These monitoring exercises are part of our commitment to uphold the right to peaceful assembly as enshrined under Article 10 of the Federal Constitution and Article 20(1) of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

Monitors play a vital role in:

- (1) observing and recording actions by participants and law enforcement;
- (2) documenting incidents impartially and professionally;
- (3) safeguarding the image of the Malaysian Bar as a neutral observer; and
- (4) providing valuable records that may later serve as evidence in court proceedings.

At present, our pool of monitors is small. To strengthen our monitoring capacity, BCHRC will be conducting a briefing session for Members of the Malaysian Bar who are interested in learning about the role of monitors and volunteering in future monitoring exercises.

The session will cover the following key aspects of monitoring:

- (1) The objectives and importance of monitoring;
- (2) The roles, responsibilities and code of conduct for monitors;
- (3) Preparation before, during and after an event;
- (4) Safety considerations and dealing with challenges on the ground; and
- (5) Reporting, documentation and post-event evaluation.

Eligibility:

- (1) Members of the Malaysian Bar; and
- (2) Pupils in Chambers (with consent from the Pupil Master).

Note: Law students and those awaiting their Long Call are not eligible to serve as monitors.

Interested Members and pupils are encouraged to attend the briefing. Your participation will help expand the Malaysian Bar's monitoring capacity and contribute meaningfully towards safeguarding human rights during public assemblies.

Speakers



Cyrus Tiu Foo Woei

Cyrus Tiu Foo Woei is a Partner at Azri, Lee Swee Seng & Co., practising in dispute resolution, constitutional law and privacy. He was admitted as an advocate and solicitor of the High Court of Malaya in 2011 and holds a Bachelor of Laws (LL.B) from the University of London and a Master of Laws (LL.M) from Universiti Malaya.

Cyrus is actively involved in human rights and public interest law. He is a member of BCHRC, having served as a legal observer in high-profile inquiries, including the SUHAKAM Inquiry into the Public Disappearances of Pastor Raymond Koh, Amri Che Mat, and Joshua Hilmy and Ruth Sitepu. He has also represented students in disciplinary proceedings at Universiti Malaya for exercising their freedom of speech and acted as a legal observer in the inquest into the death of firefighter Muhammad Adib.

Beyond advocacy, Cyrus contributes to access to justice initiatives, serving on the Selangor Legal Aid Fund (Dana Bantuan Guaman Selangor) managed by the Selangor Bar Committee and providing *pro bono* legal services to support the community. His work involves issues concerning the rule of law, accountability and the protection of fundamental human rights.



Rajsurian Pillai

Rajsurian Pillai is the Managing Partner of Surian, where he practises criminal law. He was admitted to the Malaysian Bar in December 2014 and has since focused his practice on criminal advocacy.

He plays an active role in the Kuala Lumpur Bar, serving as Chairperson of the Kuala Lumpur Bar Criminal Law Practice Committee and as a member of the Kuala Lumpur Bar Committee.

Rajsurian has been involved with Yayasan Bantuan Guaman Kuala Lumpur ("YBGK"), providing *pro bono* legal services and supporting the community through its programmes.

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