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Please note that the 77th AGM will be held at Dewan San Choon, Level 2, Wisma MCA, Jalan Ampang, Kuala Lumpur. Registration counters will be located on Level 3.

**Circular No 074/2023
Dated 14 March 2023**

To Members of the Malaysian Bar and pupils in chambers

**Agenda and Motions for the 77th Annual General Meeting of the Malaysian Bar
(18 March 2023)**

We refer to [Circular No 043/2023](#) dated 22 February 2023, giving notice of the 77th Annual General Meeting of the Malaysian Bar (“AGM”) to be held as follows:

Date: 18 March 2023 (Saturday)
Time: 10:00 am
Venue: Dewan San Choon, Level 2, Wisma MCA, Jalan Ampang,
50450 Kuala Lumpur

(A) Agenda

The agenda for the AGM is as follows:

- (1) To consider and, if approved, to adopt the minutes of the 76th AGM held on 19 March 2022;
- (2) To discuss matters arising from the minutes of the 76th AGM held on 19 March 2022;
- (3) To consider and, if approved, to adopt the minutes of the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Malaysian Bar (“EGM”) held on 27 May 2022;
- (4) To discuss matters arising from the minutes of the EGM held on 27 May 2022;
- (5) To consider the President’s Report, Chief Executive Officer’s Report, Advocates and Solicitors Disciplinary Board’s Report, committees’ reports, and any other reports re activities of the Malaysian Bar for the year 2022/23;
- (6) To consider and, if approved, to adopt the Audited Accounts of the Malaysian Bar for the year ended 31 December 2022;

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- (7) To consider the following motions proposed in accordance with section 64(6) of the Legal Profession Act 1976:
- (7.1) “Motion Regarding the Enactment of Political Financing Laws”, proposed by Karen Cheah Yee Lynn (Chairman, Bar Council), on behalf of the Bar Council, dated 10 March 2023 (see **pages numbered 4 to 6** of the motions booklet);
 - (7.2) “Motion Regarding Remuneration of Judges and Establishment of Judges’ Remuneration Commission”, proposed by Karen Cheah Yee Lynn (Chairman, Bar Council), on behalf of the Bar Council, dated 10 March 2023 (see **pages numbered 7 to 12** of the motions booklet);
 - (7.3) “Motion Regarding the Malaysian Bar Professional Indemnity Fund Scheme as an Alternative to the Present Professional Indemnity Insurance Scheme”, proposed by Karen Cheah Yee Lynn (Chairman, Bar Council), on behalf of the Bar Council, dated 10 March 2023 (see **pages numbered 13 to 16** of the motions booklet);
 - (7.4) “Motion Regarding Increasing the Mandatory Retirement Age of Judges”, proposed by Karen Cheah Yee Lynn (Chairman, Bar Council), on behalf of the Bar Council, dated 10 March 2023 (see **pages numbered 17 to 23** of the motions booklet);
 - (7.5) “Motion to Condemn the Royal Malaysia Police for Its Actions and Conduct during the Walk for Judicial Independence on 17 June 2022”, proposed by Karen Cheah Yee Lynn (Chairman, Bar Council), on behalf of the Bar Council, dated 10 March 2023 (see **pages numbered 24 to 26** of the motions booklet);
 - (7.6) “Motion Urging Bank Negara Malaysia to Review the Empanelment Procedures for Solicitors Adopted by the Banks”, proposed by Lee Chong Hong, dated 22 February 2023 (see **pages numbered 27 to 28** of the motions booklet);
 - (7.7) “Motion to Adopt the 2011 United Nations Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights and Its Implementation in the Malaysian Legal Profession”, proposed by Edmund Bon Tai Soon, Kwong Chiew Ee, Marieta Abdull Hamid, Weera Premananda, Faez Abdul Razak, Kiu Jia Yaw, Sharmila Sekarajasekaran, Raja Nadhil Aqran bin Raja Ahmad Aminollah, Vishnu Vijandran, Chang Lih Yik, Jacqueline Hannah Albert, Syuhada binti Mohd Soberi, dated 10 March 2023 (see **pages numbered 29 to 32** of the motions booklet);
 - (7.8) “Motion to Establish an Independent Internal Inquiry into the Finding of Facts and Circumstances of the Signing of the LexisNexis Subscription Agreement dated 20 February 2019 and Its Termination”, proposed by Surendra Ananth and Chin Yuen Xin, dated 10 March 2023 (see **pages numbered 33 to 36** of the motions booklet);

- (7.9) “Motion to Recognise Workplace Bullying as a Form of Misconduct”, proposed by Goh Cia Yee, dated 10 March 2023 (see **pages numbered 37 to 41** of the motions booklet);
- (7.10) “Motion on the Right to Peaceful Assembly and Matters Related”, proposed by Charles Hector Fernandez, dated 10 March 2023 (see **pages numbered 42 to 55** of the motions booklet);
- (7.11) “Motion on SOSMA and Related Matters”, proposed by Charles Hector Fernandez, dated 10 March 2023 (see **pages numbered 56 to 58** of the motions booklet);
- (7.12) “Motion on Respect of Privacy & Communications and Multimedia Act”, proposed by Charles Hector Fernandez, dated 10 March 2023 (see **pages numbered 59 to 62** of the motions booklet);
- (7.13) “Motion to Extend Safeguards for Independence of Judiciary to Session Court Judges”, proposed by Charles Hector Fernandez, dated 10 March 2023 (see **pages numbered 63 to 64** of the motions booklet); and
- (7.14) “Motion to set TIME LIMITS for Minister to Decide on Appeals and Matters Related”, proposed by Charles Hector Fernandez, dated 10 March 2023 (see **pages numbered 65 to 68** of the motions booklet); and

(8) General.

(B) Documents

To access the relevant documents, please click [here](#) to log into the Malaysian Bar website, then return to this circular and:

- (1) click [here](#) to access the motions booklet containing the 14 above-mentioned motions that have been proposed for consideration at the AGM; and
- (2) click [here](#) to access the 2022/23 Annual Report. Members who wish to have a print copy of the 2022/23 Annual Report can collect it at the AGM on a first come, first served basis, as only limited print copies have been produced. Members can also collect a print copy from Level 3 or Level 4 at the Bar Council Secretariat, upon producing proof of employment at their law firm, **such as a letterhead or name card of the firm**. For enquiries, please contact the Bar Council Secretariat at 03-2050 2050.

(C) Quorum

In accordance with section 64(4) of the Legal Profession Act 1976, the quorum for the AGM shall be 500 Members of the Malaysian Bar. If the quorum is not present by 11:00 am, the AGM shall be adjourned to **11:15 am on the same day and at the same venue**.

Members are urged to make every effort to attend the AGM so that the issues affecting the profession may be effectively discussed by as many Members as possible.

We look forward to your presence and participation at the AGM on 18 March 2023 (Saturday).

Thank you.

Anand Raj
Secretary
Malaysian Bar

Notes

- (1) Members are kindly requested to make every effort to attend the meeting punctually to ensure a quorum of 500.
- (2) Members may park at a flat rate of RM7 at either Wisma MCA or Menara Citibank. Payment for parking at both locations is fully cashless, and can be made by Touch 'n Go, debit card or credit card. To benefit from the flat rate, please present the same payment card that was used, as well as your AGM wristband, for validation at the guard counter on the ground floor. Once validation has been completed, you may use the same payment card to exit at any time.
- (3) Registration counters will be located on **Level 3**, and will open at 8:30 am. Light refreshments will be served.
- (4) All Members and pupils in chambers will be required to produce their National Registration Identity Card (“NRIC”) or driver’s licence in order to register their attendance for the AGM.
- (5) All Members and pupils in chambers shall, upon registering their names, wear the designated wristbands for the purpose of admission.
- (6) Pupils in chambers may attend but shall not vote, and shall be seated only at the area(s) designated for them.
- (7) Under the Continuing Professional Development (“CPD”) Scheme, Members and pupils in chambers will earn one CPD point for attending the AGM.
- (8) A suitable room close to the AGM hall will be designated as a Nursing Room for women, and will be available from 8:30 am until the conclusion of the AGM. Please note that there are no private cubicles within the room.
- (9) For information on preferential hotel corporate rates secured by the Bar Council, please send an email to publicrelations@malaysianbar.org.my.