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KUALA LUMPUR BAR COMMITTEE 2017/18



L to R (Sitting):

Nik Elin Zurina bt Nik Abdul Rashid, Muhendaran Suppiah (Honorary Secretary),
Mary Tan (Executive Director), New Sin Yew, Goh Siu Lin (Chairman),
Khaizan Sharizad Ab. Razak (Rep. to Bar Council)

(Standing):

Foong Cheng Leong, Shashi Devan Thalmalingam, Atan Mustaffa Yussof Ahmad,
Jacky Loi Yap Loong, Vivekananda Sukumaran, Chen Yu Szen, Alex Anton Netto,
Collin Arvind Andrew, Alvin Oh Seong Yew

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KUALA LUMPUR BAR COMMITTEE

**26TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE KUALA LUMPUR BAR
TO BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 28 FEBRUARY 2018 AT 2:00 PM
IN THE AUDITORIUM, WISMA MCA, JALAN AMPANG, KUALA LUMPUR**

AGENDA

- 1 To confirm and adopt the minutes of the 25th Annual General Meeting held on 23 February 2017.
- 2 Matters arising therefrom.
- 3 To consider, and if thought fit, to adopt the Annual Report 2017/18.
- 4 To consider, and if thought fit, to pass the Audited Accounts for the year ending 31 December 2017.
- 5 To confirm the subscription for the year 2018 to remain at RM125-00 per member.
- 6 To elect the Chairman of the Kuala Lumpur Bar Committee for 2018/19.
- 7 To elect ten (10) members of the Kuala Lumpur Bar Committee for 2018/19.
- 8 To elect one (1) member to represent the Kuala Lumpur Bar on the Bar Council for 2018/19.
- 9 General.



MUHENDARAN SUPPIAH

Honorary Secretary
Kuala Lumpur Bar Committee
2017/18

25TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING KUALA LUMPUR BAR

MINUTES OF THE 25TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (“AGM”) OF THE KUALA LUMPUR BAR HELD ON 23 FEBRUARY 2017 AT 2:00 PM AT THE AUDITORIUM, LEVEL 3, WISMA MCA, NO. 163 JALAN AMPANG, KUALA LUMPUR

Ravinder Singh Dhaliwal, as Chairman of the Kuala Lumpur Bar Committee (“KLBC”), chaired this meeting and in calling the meeting to order at 2:40 pm thanked everyone for taking the time to make it for this AGM and said in jest that the overwhelming turnout was obviously due to the fact that he was finishing his term. He then invited all members to rise and observe a minute of silence in memory of the following members who had passed away during the term under review:

In 2016:

Paramanathan s/o Kathegasu
Chin Choon @ Chin Tee Fut
Mohamed Razif bin Tan Sri Abdul Aziz Yeop
Wong Sai Fong
Moghan a/l Muthiah
Hew Kuen Yee
Venu Nair
Fatimah bte Sulaiman
Hor Sweet Mui
Chandra Kumaran
Haji Mohamed Ismail bin Mohamed Shariff
Zulkafli bin Abd Hamid

In 2017:

Santha B. Menon
Balwant Singh

ITEM 1 OF AGENDA:

TO CONFIRM AND ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE (ADJOURNED) 24TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON 25 FEBRUARY 2016

The minutes were confirmed and adopted as proposed by Dipendra Harshad Rai and seconded by Anand Ponnudurai.

ITEM 2 OF AGENDA:

MATTERS ARISING

Nil.

ITEM 3 OF AGENDA:

TO CONSIDER, AND IF THOUGHT FIT, TO ADOPT THE ANNUAL REPORT 2016/17

- 3.1. The Chairman referred the House to pages 6 to 58 of the Annual Report 2016/17 and asked whether there were any questions or issues to be raised.
- 3.2. The Chairman believed that some members might be wondering why the Committee did not organise an annual dinner in the last term. He explained that it was because of the shortage of time and also due to the fact that there would be the 25th Anniversary Dinner for the Kuala Lumpur Bar in the coming term which would incur a lot of expenses. The outgoing Committee thus had decided to reserve its funds for the said Anniversary Dinner. He added that as soon as the date for the Anniversary Dinner was fixed, members would be notified so that they could mark the date in their diary.
- 3.3.0 The Chairman then referred to his Chairman’s Report and said that he had nothing further to add to the report save to inform the House of one unfortunate incident that had happened at the secretariat in the outgoing term. He was sad to state that a long serving member of the secretariat staff had taken some cash that members had paid over the counter. The incident was

discovered sometime in March 2016. A show cause letter was issued to the said member of the staff who was eventually dismissed. At the material time, the amount that was found missing was RM7,100. The Committee had decided to lodge a police report but before doing so to try and recover the money first. It was felt that once the police report was lodged, the chances of recovering the money might be futile. The Committee, through its Chairman and Representative on the Bar Council, managed to meet up with the said staff member in June. The said staff member admitted taking the money and indicated that she was going through a lot of personal problems. She had further indicated that her sister had agreed to make a full restitution of the money that she had taken. She also did mention that there was a possibility that more money would be found missing as she did not keep track of the amount of money that she had taken. However, if the Committee was to find any more money missing, she would make restitution of the same. The Committee thus decided to wait for her to return all the money that she had taken before lodging the police report. In July, the Committee found another RM125 missing. The said staff member was contacted and she repaid the money. Sometime in November, another RM400 was found missing and the said staff member repaid the same in two instalments, RM200 in November and RM200 in December. After receiving the payment in December, the police report was lodged at the Dang Wangi Police Station. The police were reluctant to do anything about the matter. They said that since all the money had already been returned, the Committee did not suffer any loss and thus did not see a necessity for a police report to be lodged. The police were told that as a criminal breach of trust had been committed, the Committee had to lodge a police report and it was for further action by the police. The police had since reverted listing the case as "NFA".

3.3.1 The Chairman further reported that it was unfortunate that the person engaged to replace the above staff member too had stolen the Committee's money despite signboards being placed at the counter to request those making cash payments to insist on receipts being issued. The total amount taken by the new staff member was RM1,470 which was quickly discovered. A show cause letter was issued to the said staff member and he replied immediately admitting his wrongdoings and requested for an opportunity to continue to work for the Committee so that he could pay back the money that he had taken. The Committee certainly did not agree to that. After seeking advice from a member who was well-versed in the area of employment law, the Committee offset the salary that was owing to the said staff member with the money that he had taken and there was still a balance of about RM390 owing to the Committee by the said staff member. A police report was also lodged for this matter. The police had since replied that they had classified the case as "rujuk kepada syarikat". The Committee had assigned one of its Committee members to follow up with the police on the matter.

3.3.2 The Chairman said that since then the Committee had taken several steps to prevent such an incident from happening again. The most recent step taken was the placement of a notice at the counter informing those who were making cash payments over the counter that cash payments could only be received by four officers at the secretariat whose names were displayed on the notice and the cash receipts must be stamped and signed by any one of them. The Chairman requested members to take note of the same. He added that the Committee had tried to do away with cash payments but there were still many law firms and lawyers who would prefer to pay cash and did not have online banking facilities. The Committee had also explored the possibility of putting a cash deposit machine to account for cash collections but the cost of putting the cash deposit machine outweighed the cash collections. The possibility of installing CCTVs was also considered but that too would put the Committee back in the same situation where it would only find out after the act had taken place. He said that the Committee had considered many alternatives and thus would seek members' cooperation to insist that cash payments be accepted by one of the four officers that were assigned to receive the same.

3.4 The Annual Report 2016/17 was approved and adopted as proposed by Freddie Lim and seconded by Ravindran Nekoo.

ITEM 4 OF AGENDA:

TO CONSIDER, AND IF THOUGHT FIT, TO PASS THE AUDITED ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31ST DECEMBER 2016

4.1 The Chairman referred the House to the Audited Accounts at pages 105 to 116 of the Annual Report and said that members may ask any questions or seek any clarifications.

4.3 The Audited Accounts were approved and passed as proposed by R. Ravindra Kumar and seconded by Teh Yoke Hooi.

ITEM 5 OF AGENDA:

TO CONFIRM THE SUBSCRIPTION FOR THE YEAR 2017 TO REMAIN AT RM125 PER MEMBER

Samreet Singh proposed that the subscription for the year 2017 be maintained at RM125 per member. The House unanimously agreed with the proposal. The Chairman confirmed the subscription for the year 2017 to remain at RM125 per member.

**ITEM 6 OF AGENDA:
TO ELECT THE CHAIRMAN OF THE KUALA LUMPUR BAR COMMITTEE FOR 2017/18**

6.1 The following names were proposed and seconded:

1. Goh Siu Lin
Proposer : Ambiga Sreenevasan
Seconded : Brendan Navin Siva
2. Alex Anton Netto
Proposer : Hendon Mohamed
Seconded : Choo Dee Wei
3. Mohd Amir Sharil Bahari bin Md Noor (Amir Bahari)
Proposer : Ismail bin Mohamed Arifin
Seconded : Faidhur Rahman bin Abdul Hadi

6.2 Nominations were closed as proposed by Dipendra Harshad Rai and seconded by Muhendaran Suppiah.

6.3 Razlan Hadri Zulkifli wondered whether the Chairman would allow some of the members to give their views particularly on the candidates who had offered themselves to lead the Kuala Lumpur Bar as the Chairman before the House be asked to vote. He acknowledged that it was not usually done but first of all he believed that this was the first time where the AGM of the Kuala Lumpur Bar had such a large turnout and secondly, a particular candidate had proposed himself on rather unique qualities; qualities which were given to him by virtue of his birth. Thus, he was wondering whether the Chairman could allow some of the members to make their views known on that sort of candidacy.

6.4 Brendan Navin Siva proposed to let the candidates speak first and Razlan Hadri Zulkifli agreed to that.

6.5 The Chairman thanked Brendan Navin Siva and Razlan Hadri Zulkifli and invited the candidates to each say a few words.

6.6.0 Alex Anton Netto greeted the House and thanked Hendon Mohamed for proposing him as a candidate for the position of KLBC Chairman and Choo Dee Wei for seconding the proposal. He then introduced himself and said that he believed by now most of the members would have sighted his manifesto encapsulating the commitments that he visualised for the future of the Bar. He would run through his manifesto briefly for the benefit of those who had yet to read the same. He had served the Kuala Lumpur Bar for five years in different committees starting with the Pupils Committee and culminating with him chairing the Environmental Committee and Young Lawyers Committee respectively. Last year saw the KLBC hosting the Charity Gala event which was the largest event for the year. The event was held in aid of the National Autism Society of Malaysia or NASOM where a sum of close to RM40,000 was raised. The event had helped to raise the much needed aid and awareness for the autism cause in Malaysia.

6.6.1 Alex Anton Netto said that with regard to his manifesto, first would be the issue of touting at the Kuala Lumpur Courts which had been an issue for a long time now. Members would have noticed that signboards had been put up at the Kuala Lumpur Court Complex educating the public at large on the matter. While efforts had been in place to tackle the problem, he would intensify it. If elected as the Chairman, his first order of business would be to set up a meeting at the nearest possible time with the Director of the Kuala Lumpur Courts to thrash out the issue. He stressed that a far more effective solution must be achieved to deal with the problem and he planned to work with the incoming Chair of the Criminal Practice Committee on that very issue. On that note, it heartened him to learn that Shashi Devan, the current Chair of the Criminal Practice Committee would be running again for a position on the KLBC. Second, he would continue the good work of his able predecessors in raising the standards of the Bar. He planned to implement, at the State Bar level, more advocacy-based trainings, client counselling workshops and moot courts. Third, he would want to speed up the transition of the Kuala Lumpur Bar into the age of information technology ("IT"). He was amazed at how fast and easy life had become in this age of IT and asserted that members of the Bar could not run away from technology. He pointed out that with the liberalisation of the Bar, members must learn to adapt and would need technology to assist with researches, churning out agreements at a much quicker pace but at the same time not sacrificing on quality and content. Members of the Bar must be given the opportunity to participate in platforms like Tech-Talk and to be able to release their own podcast, etc. He questioned how else were members to move into the age of IT if members were to shy away from all these wonderful inventions. He further questioned how were members to compete with foreign firms if their turnaround time was poor. He was glad to hear that a fellow member of the KLBC and

currently the Chair of the IT & Publications Committee, Foong Cheng Leong, would be running for the Committee again. If he was elected as Chairman and Foong Cheng Leong as a member of the of the KLBC, the latter was the one that he hoped to work with to bring the Kuala Lumpur Bar into the age of IT.

- 6.6.2 Alex Anton Netto further said that he would like to facilitate more relevant talks and seminars and provide avenues to facilitate dialogues between lawyers and various interested or related stakeholders such as Bursa Malaysia, Malaysia Global Innovation and Creativity Centre: MaGIC that empowers entrepreneurship, the Security Commission, etc. Lastly, he would like to create a new portfolio, the Small Firms Chair. He felt that it was time for there to be an active Small Firms Committee at the Kuala Lumpur Bar to look into the needs of small firms in and around Kuala Lumpur. As a practitioner running a firm with three other partners, he was aware of the challenges faced by practitioners in small firms especially with the rising cost in Malaysia. He assured members that this would be addressed and hoped that together with the members, he would find ways to harmonise the business element into legal practice.
- 6.6.3 Alex Anton Netto added that it heartened him to learn that a number of new faces would be running for Committee; young practitioners who were eager to serve and do the Bar proud. He requested the House to give those young practitioners a chance to give back to the Bar as after all, they were the future of this diverse and noble Bar.
- 6.6.4 Alex Anton Netto remarked that this was a gathering of legal practitioners whose work involved justice, fair trial and liberties. Legal practitioners worked within the ambits of the law, were guardians of the Federal Constitution and the conscience of the people. He stressed that this must never be the platform for playing race and racial issues; it must never be the platform where race triumphed over merits and religion triumphed over candour. This is a professional body and the members were of varied race and religion and all members must jealously guard this profession from being hijacked. He ended with these parting words, "This Bar is for all. There is no question about that irrespective of race, religion and gender. To those that feel I would only serve or represent one segment of the profession, I urge you to elect me into office and I will prove you wrong".
- 6.7.0 Amir Bahari greeted the House in Arabic, introduced himself and said that he was offering his candidacy as the KLBC Chairman for the term 2017/2018. He remarked that he knew that he had to do something to get everybody to come here and it worked. He further remarked that everybody loved the Kuala Lumpur Bar; everybody was willing to sacrifice and do whatever it would take to make sure that the tradition of their beloved Kuala Lumpur Bar was protected and he being a Victorian himself, a school steeped in tradition and with the oldest prefectorial board in this country.
- 6.7.1 Amir Bahari said that he must share with the House a simple reason why he was standing here today. Being involved in estate planning, he had come across clients as young as 28 or 40 passing on and he knew that the age of mortality was actually going down; it was on a downward trend rather than upward. Therefore, upon reaching the age of 40, he made a deal with God and said, "Oh my Allah, give me a chance to serve humanity. Give me a chance to serve everybody with love and the right intention" and that had led him to the path to all of the members today.
- 6.7.2 Amir Bahari said that he had served on the KLBC for three terms and if he was elected as the Chairman, there were three issues that he would like to address. The first issue was the issue of transparency. He believed that everyone was aware that the KLBC set its meeting on a monthly basis and at every meeting there would be resolutions passed. He believed that members were not aware of what the resolutions were and wondered why. He questioned was not transparency the order of the day and commented that if the Bar Council could inform members of the matters that were discussed at its meetings, why not the KLBC. That baffled him and to baffle him more, his request from the KLBC for information with regard to certain matter concerning the KLBC was denied. That was what made him come up here today to inform members that whoever was to hold the post of Chairman should be transparent. He pointed out that because of that episode, he had to do something which he thought he would never do; he had to lodge a police report and a report to the Bar Council against two members of the KLBC. That had truly saddened him but in the name of transparency that everyone held dear to their heart, he had to do that. He vowed that if he was elected as the Chairman, he would make sure that transparency was the order of the day.
- 6.7.3 Amir Bahari said that the second issue was when issues were brought to the KLBC meetings, the feedback from members must be obtained and thus he would like to propose open governance. He explained that open governance would mean that all members could give their feedback and indicate the issues that they would want the KLBC to discuss and upon reaching certain number of votes, the issues that were deemed to be important would be passed and carried out by the KLBC. Thus, instead of the KLBC having its own agenda, he would gladly invite members to put forth their agenda. To him, leadership, in other words meant one thing, it was all about interest; whose interest would the KLBC be serving. He believed each person would have his/her own agenda but would anyone at any point of time put members' interest above self-interest. From what he had seen at this meeting, he was proud to acknowledge the fact that everyone was putting the Kuala Lumpur Bar members' interest first before their own interest.

- 6.7.4 Amir Bahari said that the third issue was the issue of exposure. He had learned a lesson during his election campaign and that was never to do a telephone interview. It would get distorted. He invited members to discount 80% of whatever they read in the newspaper and remarked that the things that were true in the newspaper were only the obituaries, “empat nombor ekor” and advertisements by members’ own firm. He had heard rumours about him running for the Kuala Lumpur Bar and there would be two separate Bars, Syariah Bar and Civil Bar. He truly appreciated the freedom of expression and freedom for one to have his/her own opinion but going on a personal attack without checking the facts was, to him, something not acceptable. He assured the House that if he was elected as the KLBC Chairman, their interest would be at the bottom of his heart.
- 6.8.0 Goh Siu Lin introduced herself and said that she is partner in the firm of Shook Lin & Bok and had been in practice for the past 20 years. She asked to let her share a little story about how she came to serve on the KLBC. She said that five years ago, the then Chairman, Brendan Navin Siva contacted her and asked if she would like to join his Committee. She was hesitant because she had the demands of a career and a family but then she browsed the Kuala Lumpur Bar website and went through the content and photographs and one particular photograph of the KLBC had Ambiga in it. That was the tipping point that made her decide that she would like to serve with the KLBC and that was how she became part of the KLBC and was standing here today. What she had done since then was that she had served in various capacities over the past five years. Firstly, as Chair of the Practitioners’ Affairs Committee and that was for two years. During that two years, she drew on her personal experience as a breastfeeding mother and Court-going litigator where she had found it difficult to manage practice and also satisfy her obligations as a mother to find a hygienic place to express her breast milk and on her return from the Courts, was forced to use a dusty storeroom in the airport to express milk; she just had to say it as it was. She had also encountered stories from other women practitioners who were forced to use toilets in Courts for this purpose. This experience led to the idea of the establishment of the lactation room in the Kuala Lumpur Court Complex. She hoped that other State Bars would follow suit to support women practitioners. Apart from that, as Chair of the Professional Development Committee in the past two years, she had organised many seminars. The year before, she organised about 45 seminars covering a spectrum of legal topics and she was particularly proud of the KL Bar-AWL Activist Series which was something new in the sense that she drew on her experience as an activist with women groups, first with AWL (Association of Women Lawyers) and later on with the Joint Action Group for Gender Equality where AWL was a member. She felt that people had the misconception that “feminism” is a bad word. It is not. She wished to correct and overcome the negative association with “feminism” which is about seeking substantive equality and helping others who are in a disadvantaged position to achieve an equal result and fulfil their dreams.
- 6.8.1 Goh Siu Lin said that the Professional Development Committee had in the past year taken into account development in IT. The Professional Development Committee would collaborate with the IT Committee and towards that regard, the Professional Development Committee had purchased recording devices with the view of recording future seminars and making them available online. She remarked that a lawyer is only as good as the professional skills that he or she possesses; it is not so much about networking. Networking is not enough if one did not have the legal skills or aspiration to improve oneself. That was why she would encourage more lawyers to come forward to offer to speak and teach fellow members of the Kuala Lumpur Bar.
- 6.8.2 Goh Siu Lin added that as some members might be aware, she is very active in the women groups circle and had engaged with various stakeholders to lobby for legislative reform. She would pull upon those experiences to bring them into the Kuala Lumpur Bar. She said that many people had asked her why she was standing for the position of Chairman at this stage. It was certainly not an easy decision for her. It required consultation with her family and her spouse and she was happy to say that her husband, who was present at this meeting, was supportive of her. She further named those persons who shared her vision and had also given her their moral support and were prepared to work hard for the best interest of the Bar – Foong Cheng Leong, Jacky Loi Yap Loong, Shashi Devan Thalmalingam, Nik Elin Zurina bt Nik Abdul Rashid, Atan Mustaffa Yussof Ahmad, New Sin Yew, Vivekananda Sukumaran, Chen Yu Szen, Muhendaran Suppiah and Alvin Oh Seong Yew. She requested the House to support them.
- 6.8.3 Goh Siu Lin further said that lawyers play an influential role in society guided by the rule of law and fundamental human rights. She hoped to bring her perspective as a legal practitioner and activist experience into her role as the KLBC Chairman, if elected, and would continue the good work of previous Committees and Chairmen. She asked that she be allowed to speak a little about the new subcommittee that she intended to set up – the Gender Equality & Diversity Committee which would be to identify issues, develop programmes and engage with the relevant parties to find effective solutions to support lawyers; she had given the example of the lactation room. In the context of disabled lawyers, when she was attending a Reference Proceedings the week before, she discovered that one of the Counsel moving the Reference of one of the departed members was a disabled person and he was not able to join the tea reception because there was no ramp to the cafeteria.

- 6.8.4 Goh Siu Lin thanked her worthy opponents and said that in fact Amir Bahari had invited her for tea the following day. She requested members to give her their votes if they shared her ideas and vision. She promised that she would give members her best and asked that she be allowed to end her speech with a quote from the amazing Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, “I think that men and women, shoulder to shoulder, will work together to make this a better world. Just as I don’t think that men are the superior sex, neither do I think that women are. I think that it is great that we are beginning to use the talents of all of the people, in all walks of life, and that we no longer have the closed doors that we once had”.
- 6.9.0 The Chairman invited Razlan Hadri Zulkifli, who had comments to make earlier on, to speak.
- 6.9.1 Razlan Hadri Zulkifli thanked the Chairman for allowing him to speak. For a start, he would like to say congratulations and his greatest admiration to all the three candidates for offering themselves for the extremely difficult position of the Chairman of the biggest State Bar in the country. What he wanted to say was that when one was offering oneself for a leadership position, especially the leadership position of the Kuala Lumpur Bar, the most diverse and sophisticated State Bar in the country, there is a certain position that one could take and there is a certain position that one must not take; one must not try to divide the Bar. One must bring together people with different views, people with different opinions, people with different philosophies and experience and not to start out one’s campaign by highlighting the greatest difference one could have i.e. the colour of one’s skin, one’s race and one’s religion. One must take responsibility over that and could not, after giving all those videos that had spread around on youtube, come to the AGM and said, “You know what, I did it to get all you guys here”. To him, that was misleading. He then stressed, saying it firstly in Bahasa Malaysia, “Tuan tuan dan puan puan, sahabat sahabat saya sekalian, ahli ahli politik kita telah membahagikan kita” and then in English, “Our politicians have divided us, do not follow in their footsteps. Be better than them. Unite not divide. All of us here are members of the Kuala Lumpur Bar regardless of colour, creed or religion”. He questioned why start a campaign by saying a certain percentage of a particular community was only represented at the Committee level. Did the person mean since 50% of the Kuala Lumpur Bar was of a particular community, 50% of the Committee members must be of that particular community? He wondered when people were going to escape the tyranny of the quota. He said when one was suffering from an illness and going to see a doctor, would one look at the colour of the skin of the doctor, enquire what race and religion the doctor is? Certainly not. One would not care about that. He asserted that the Bar is a professional body and said that he would like to end by quoting what Muhamad Izwan who was formerly of Team Eye of the Tiger had to say, “For me, race and religion should never be mixed or used as a card to win something as in our situation - for election, race and religion should never be used to gain votes in a campaign”. Razlan Hadri Zulkifli echoed Muhamad Izwan’s sentiments and said that he could not have done it any better and he was not ashamed to quote a first year law practitioner and had much to learn from him.
- 6.9.2 The Chairman warned those who were recording the proceedings that the AGM was a closed door meeting and no recording of the AGM should be made public or uploaded to any public media platform.
- 6.9.3 Amer Hamzah Arshad said that first and foremost he would like to thank everyone for attending today’s AGM. He believed that it was a record attendance (the Chairman uttered that there were more than 800 members present) and the reason why so many members had turned up today was because members wanted to send a clear message that they do not tolerate any kind of racism, bigotry or any kind of politics that would divide them. They believed that the Kuala Lumpur Bar stood for one thing – unity. They would serve members of the public without looking at the colour of the skin, the background, social or religion and act without fear or favour. Therefore, for all members of the Kuala Lumpur Bar, especially those who were offering themselves for the position of KLBC Chairman and Members, they must bear that in mind. He warned them to never ever play the race game. He said that as a Malay and a Muslim, he found it extremely insulting that one should come up and say that one was going to represent him and that one was going to be his leader because he is a Malay and a Muslim. He would vote for someone not because of his race or religion but because of his merit; whether he is capable to lead or otherwise. Someone who could not lead would not deserve his vote and it was as simple as that. He pointed out that one of the candidates had also mentioned about transparency and thus he would like to talk about transparency. He lamented what kind of nonsense was that if the candidate was to go around campaigning before the Kuala Lumpur Bar AGM saying that he was going to represent one particular segment of the members of the Kuala Lumpur Bar because he was of that particular group. That, to him, was totally unacceptable. He was not going to mention the name of that candidate but he reckoned everyone knew who he was; perhaps they have the same first name. He remarked that to campaign on the racial line would be a huge disaster and called on members to reject that and make the Kuala Lumpur Bar great.
- 6.9.4 Shamsul Bahrin Manaf asked Amir Bahari whether he had abandoned his manifesto. He remarked that Amir Bahari had taken a very strong stand in his manifesto and that was to Islamise the Kuala Lumpur Bar but he did not see Amir Bahari touching on that in the speech that he had made a while ago. Amir Bahari replied that his manifesto stands. Shamsul Bahrin Manaf said then that would bring him to the next point. His first point was that the Kuala Lumpur Bar is not a religious body but a professional body. He asserted that religion had nothing to do with the Kuala Lumpur Bar and therefore one must not bring

religion into the Kuala Lumpur Bar. He was not just addressing Amir Bahari but all the voters as well. He reminded members to bear in mind that they were here to vote for their leader to bring the Kuala Lumpur Bar to greater heights; to make the Kuala Lumpur Bar great again. He did not see the relevance of bringing religion into that. He pointed out that the Kuala Lumpur Bar was already facing many issues relating to practice and to bring religion into the Kuala Lumpur Bar, Amir Bahari was just adding on to the problems. His second point was that Amir Bahari was derailing, he was bringing the Kuala Lumpur Bar off-track from the very principle of upholding justice without fear or favour. He questioned Amir Bahari as to how he could do that when he had indicated that he was going to fight for and favouring one particular religion only. He said that he too is a Muslim like Amir Bahari but they have to differentiate and balance between being a Muslim and a lawyer and being a leader of the Kuala Lumpur Bar. He cautioned that members would need to have that in mind before they vote. He added that Amir Bahari had in his speech talked about serving the members' best interest and that would mean all members and not only members of a particular race or religion. One could not do that and it was as simple as that.

- 6.9.5 Mohd Izral Khairy said that Razlan Hadri Zulkifli, Amer Hamzah, Shamsul Bahrin Manaf and himself, all four of them wanted to speak today because they felt insulted. They were insulted to find out that a Malay must use the race and religion card as a bait to get elected as if the Malays were so bad and lousy, that they got no skill and nothing else to offer and could only plead, "Please vote for me because I am a Malay". He expressed that the Malays are good and can be good; do not put them down.
- 6.9.6 Siti Zabeledah Kasim said that she had to say something because Amir Bahari had actually referred to her. Amir Bahari knew that she had been bashing him on Facebook and she indicated in the affirmative and that she would keep on bashing someone who is a bigot. She was proud to see all those Malay men standing up against a bigot like that. She stressed that the Bar should never allow anyone to use race and religion against anybody, whether within the Bar or outside; whether it was political or otherwise. She just hated it when someone was to use religion and race to promote oneself for his/her own political mileage or his/her own position. She wanted to say that Amir Bahari was a coward; he did not dare to speak about his motion at today's AGM because he could not see his supporters here.
- 6.9.7 Amir Bahari admitted that it was simply just the ruse so that members could meet here today. He said that those who were knowledgeable in negotiation would be familiar of a term, red-herring. His manifesto stands and in response to all those four individuals who had given their feedback, he would like to thank them and to challenge them to sit up on the stage the following year to run as a candidate for the position of the KLBC Chairman. He then said in Bahasa Malaysia, "You nak jadi jalak lenteng dekat bawah, boleh, datang sini bang, duduk situ becakap, baru tunjuk siapa anak jantan".
- 6.10 The Chairman called for voting by secret ballot to start and informed members that they could only vote one name. He further informed that pupils were not entitled to vote.

The Chairman called for Item 7 of the Agenda to be dealt with while waiting for the results of the counting of the ballot papers. He checked with the three candidates running for the position of KLBC Chairman and all three of them indicated that they would not be standing for the election to the Committee.

**ITEM 7 OF AGENDA:
 TO ELECT TEN (10) MEMBERS OF THE KUALA LUMPUR BAR COMMITTEE FOR 2017/18**

7.1 The following names were proposed and seconded:

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| 1. | Muhendaran Suppiah | |
| | Proposer | : Anand Ponnudurai |
| | Secunder | : Oommen Koshy |
| 2. | New Sin Yew | |
| | Proposer | : Dipendra Harshad Rai |
| | Secunder | : Vinu Kamalanathan |
| 3. | Shashi Devan Thalmalingam | |
| | Proposer | : Ravindran Nekoo |
| | Secunder | : Dipendra Harshad Rai |
| 4. | Foong Cheng Leong | |
| | Proposer | : Himahlini Ramalingam |
| | Secunder | : Conrad Francis Lopez |

5. Jacky Loi Yap Loong
 Proposer : Ravindran Nekoo
 Seconder : Dipendra Harshad Rai

6. Vivekananda Sukumaran
 Proposer : Dipendra Harshad Rai
 Seconder : Syahredzan Johan

7. Nik Elin Zurina bt Nik Abdul Rashid
 Proposer : Goh Siu Lin
 Seconder : Syahredzan Johan

8. Ismail bin Mohamed Arifin
 Proposer : Mohd Amir Sharil Bahari bin Md Noor
 Seconder : Faidhur Rahman bin Abdul Hadi

9. Atan Mustaffa Yussof Ahmad
 Proposer : Goh Siu Lin
 Seconder : Muhendaran Suppiah

10. Chen Yu Szen
 Proposer : Dipendra Harshad Rai
 Seconder : Shugan Raman

11. Alvin Oh Seong Yew
 Proposer : Lim Chi Chau
 Seconder : Yohendra Nadarajan

12. Faidhur Rahman bin Abdul Hadi
 Proposer : Mohd Amir Sharil Bahari bin Md Noor
 Seconder : Ismail bin Mohamed Arifin

13. Siti Aishah binti Aslah
 Proposer : Mohd Amir Sharil Bahari bin Md Noor
 Seconder : Faidhur Rahman bin Abdul Hadi

7.2 Nominations were closed as proposed by R. Ravindra Kumar and seconded by Siti Zabedah Kasim.

7.3 The Chairman invited all the candidates to each say a few words. He said that in the interest of time, he would limit the speech of each candidate to about one minute.

7.4.0 Muhendaran Suppiah introduced himself and said that he had been in practice for almost 26 years. He had served on the KLBC for about four years between 2009 and 2013 under the Chairmanship of Anand Ponnudurai and Brendan Navin Siva. He had also served on various committees of the Malaysian Bar Council. He had taken a break after 2013 due to work commitment. He was now offering himself again because he felt that his experience would be helpful not only to the Committee but also the Kuala Lumpur Bar in general. He looked forward to contribute to the Kuala Lumpur Bar and said that voting for him would give him an opportunity again to share his skills, expertise and knowledge with the growing new breed of young advocates and solicitors. He was counting on members for their votes.

7.4.1 Shashi Devan Thalmalingam introduced himself and said that he was an active member of the Kuala Lumpur Bar and had served on the KLBC for the past four years. He had served as the Chairperson of the Pupils Committee for two terms in 2014 and 2015 and in 2016, he held the position of Chairperson of the Criminal Practice Committee. He was also currently a member of the Bar Council Criminal Law Committee and a member of the YBGK Steering Committee. He was standing here today to seek the opportunity and mandate to be re-elected as a member of the KLBC and hoping to complete a second term as the Chairperson of the Criminal Practice Committee. His focus in the last term was inquiring into and solving complaints as well as addressing challenges faced by criminal law practitioners in Kuala Lumpur. He had several projects which were pending completion and he hoped to see them through. One of the projects was gathering feedback from members on the implementation of the pre-trial case management provisions by the Courts to better assist lawyers before trial. He would also

like to introduce a complaints log as a mean to record all incoming grievances and to apply a standard operating procedure upon receiving the same, similar to that being done by the Civil Practice Committee. He would continue to push for pupils and young lawyers to be involved in legal aid work, the YBGK programme and to take on pro bono briefs particularly those that involved breach of human rights. He is dedicated to the KLBC and would consistently support the initiatives of other subcommittees and endeavour to be present at their events.

- 7.4.2 New Sin Yew thanked Dipendra Harshad Rai and Vinu Kamalanathan for proposing and seconding him. He then introduced himself and said that he was in his sixth year of practice and during his short time in practice, he had served as the Deputy Chairperson of the KLBC Young Lawyers Committee for two years. He had also served on the Bar Council Human Rights Committee and Constitutional Law Committee and as Goh Siu Lin had stated her experience in NGOs, he had served in a movement known as BERSIH. They had organised activities around Kuala Lumpur where some members would have attended. He believed that Ambiga was quite an ardent supporter of this movement. He considered the Kuala Lumpur Bar the engine of the Malaysian Bar and the young lawyers, the pistons that drive this engine forward. He had always taken a keen interest in issues concerning young lawyers – the increasing rate in unemployment of fresh law graduates, retaining talents within the legal profession and working conditions of young lawyers. He hoped to champion those issues if he had members' support and he hoped that he would get the support.
- 7.4.3 Nik Elin Zurina bt Nik Abdul Rashid introduced herself and said that she is a Kelantanese Muslim but her religion and race should never be the basis of members' choice. She would want to stop division by religion and race. If it was to be a race, it was to make the Kuala Lumpur Bar great again. She was an active member of the Kelantan Bar Committee before and had served as the Honorary Secretary. She had been involved in many human rights issues as well as women's rights issues and participated in many Bar programmes until she took leave for about six years during which time she founded Wibawa Women, a society that provides support to women in marital crises and issues which were close to her heart. She also fights for the minority including the LGBTQ. If she was to be part of the KLBC, she intended to close the gaps created among members of the Kuala Lumpur Bar. She wished to also address members' concern with regard to alcohol being served at Kuala Lumpur Bar functions. She would moot for a way to ensure that although alcohol were served at Kuala Lumpur Bar functions, the cost of the alcohol would not be borne by all the attendees as had been done previously. Instead, alcohol would be billed separately – a special package for the “merry-lawyers” and an economy package for the “super-sobers”. That way, teetotalers would not have to be burdened with subsidising alcohol that they did not consume. She ended with, “Please vote for moderation, please vote for me”.
- 7.4.4 Vivekananda Sukumaran thanked his proposer and seconder, Dipendra Harshad Rai, former KLBC Chairman and Syahredzan Johan, former Chairperson of the National Young Lawyers Committee where he had served for two years as the Deputy Chairperson under him. He loved Syahredzan Johan who did his job very well and never touched on race. He had also worked with Alwin Rajasurya in the KLBC Sports Committee for two years as the Bowling Convenor. They had members coming over from the Terengganu Bar and Kelantan Bar to compete in the Bowling Competition held in Kuala Lumpur at Sunway Megalanes. On top of that he would also like to highlight the good job done by Alwin Rajasurya in the last month raising 92 teams for the KL Bar Run. That was truly not an easy task. He was also proud to hear today that the KLBC had managed to set up a lactation room at the Kuala Lumpur Courts. That was amazing. Those were the reasons why he was standing for election to the KLBC; he would want to work to make sure that members' job as lawyers would become easier. He indicated that “unfortunately” he was a Victorian as well and he would want to remind everyone of a line in his school song, “not one race but one in feeling for a school to each appealing”. That was the spirit that the Kuala Lumpur Bar should have, not bringing up racial agenda and he had this to say, “Don't worry about the weather when we are together”. He urged members to vote for him.
- 7.4.5 Alvin Oh Seong Yew thanked his nominator and seconder. He then introduced himself and said that he was running for the Bar Committee position. He is neither a Muslim nor a Chinese. He is a Malaysian and that is the position that should be taken in Bar events. He wished to widen and diversified participation. He urged members to thus vote for him and work with him.
- 7.4.6 Atan Mustaffa Yusoff Ahmad introduced himself and said that he was called to the Malaysian Bar in 1995 which would put him out of contention for the Young Lawyers Committee. At the Malaysian Bar level, he had represented the Bar Council in a few matters as intervening solicitor and had sat on the Disciplinary Panel as Chairman and panel member. His experience with the KLBC was in 2007 and 2009 where he served as a member in the Professional Development Committee. Serving the Bar gave him a sense of fulfilment especially when he knew that his contribution had added to the betterment of the legal profession. He felt drawn to serve in a more direct capacity in the local State Bar and hence he was offering his candidacy as a member of the KLBC. Training and development was his passion and if he was to be elected, he would be interested to serve as the Chairperson or Co-Chairperson of the Professional Development Committee. In parting, he would like to remind his brothers and sisters at law that this election was not about race, religion and politics. He agreed that the Bar needed a

diverse committee but the committee would need to be able and competent to serve the needs of the members and uphold justice without fear and favour.

- 7.4.7 Chen Yu Szen thanked Dipendra Harshad Rai and Shugan Raman for proposing and seconding him. He said that with regard to the sentiments of race and religion, all had been well expressed and he was just going to echo those sentiments. What he would like to say here was how he could contribute to the Kuala Lumpur Bar. He had served under the Pupils Committee, the Environmental Committee and also the Young Lawyers Committee that saw him to be in the forefront of organising one of the biggest event the year before – the Charity Gala which attracted 500 guests and raised close to RM40,000 in charity funds for NASOM. Given that his experience was predominantly relating to the affairs of the young lawyers, he would strive to continue with the good work done by the outgoing Chairperson of the Young Lawyers Committee and also bring a few changes which would include, one, to provide a forum for young lawyers to express their grouses, concerns as well as questions that they might have. Two, to expand the Professional Alliance which currently consisted of only lawyers, engineers and doctors and also strengthen ties with the young lawyers of other State Bars. He urged members to vote for him if they felt that his ideas and the changes that he would want to make were in line with their views.
- 7.4.8 Foong Cheng Leong said that he had served the Kuala Lumpur Bar since 2008 as a subcommittee member in the IT Committee and became a member of the KLBC in 2013. He had also served as the Co-Chairperson of the Bar Council IT & Cyber Law Committee and Ad Hoc Committee for Persons without Protection. Currently, he is the Deputy Chairperson of the Bar Council IT Committee and Chairperson of the KLBC IT Committee. The KLBC IT Committee had in the previous year revamped the KL Bar Website and was still in the midst of developing the KL Bar Mobile App which should be completed soon. They had also replaced the server in the KL Bar Secretariat and rebuilt the membership system which now synchronises with the membership database of the Bar Council. Members no longer needed to write to the KLBC to update their particulars. Further, all Petition files had been digitalised and with effect from 2 February 2017, pupils no longer needed to serve hardcopy of their Admission papers on the KLBC; they just needed to e-mail them. Lastly, with the advent of the eCourts coming in soon, he hoped to assist members in learning how to use the said system.
- 7.4.9 Ismail bin Mohamed Arifin introduced himself and said that he was honoured to be nominated as one of the candidates for the election to the KLBC. He had been in practice for almost 20 years and it would be an honour to serve the Kuala Lumpur Bar. He ended his speech with, “Let’s unite in strength, in diversity, still rooted in your core beliefs and also in unity”.
- 7.4.10 Jacky Loi Yap Loong introduced himself and said that he had served on the KLBC for three terms and chaired the Corporate & Conveyancing Practice Committee (“CCPC”) in the last term. One of the most memorable thing that had happened during his term as the CCPC Chairperson was coming up with the Practical Manual for Registration at the Wilayah Land Office which was spearheaded by him with the assistance of his CCPC members. The Manual, done in collaboration with the Wilayah Land Office, sought to address the recurring issues faced by lawyers in conveyancing practice such as not being informed of the changes required by the Wilayah Land Office. With the Manual, accessible by members via the KL Bar Website, he hoped to address the yearly recurring issues faced by members at the Wilayah Land Office. He said that he is a member of the KLBC and hoped to be given an opportunity to remain in the KLBC to continue serving members in the coming term. He humbly requested members for their votes.
- 7.4.11 Faidhur Rahman bin Abdul Hadi introduced himself and said that he was certain that some of the members would have heard of him before but he had to be honest. Unlike most of the candidates who had offered themselves, he had no experience whatsoever in any committee. Thus, he would offer himself as members’ “change candidate” because in the world today, people were against the establishment. He would be somebody from outside the establishment i.e. outside of the State Bar Committee and he hoped to bring new perspective to the Bar. With that, he humbly pleaded for members’ votes.
- 7.4.12 Siti Aishah binti Aslah greeted the House in Arabic, introduced herself and said that she was offering her candidacy as a member of the KLBC. She remarked that the society had come to a crossroad and members had the power to change the landscape of the legal society. There were three issues that she would like to propose to the KLBC if she was elected as a KLBC member which were mentoring and coaching by senior and junior lawyers, a special programme for discriminated female lawyers and a special platform for female lawyers for them to share their problems.
- 7.5 The Chairman called for voting by secret ballot to start and informed members that they could vote up to 10 names or less. He reminded the pupils present that they were not entitled to vote.

ITEM 8 OF AGENDA

TO ELECT ONE (1) MEMBER TO REPRESENT THE KUALA LUMPUR BAR ON THE BAR COUNCIL FOR 2017/18

- 8.1 Khaizan Sharizad Ab Razak was proposed by Christopher Leong Sau Foo and seconded by Ragunath Kesavan.
- 8.2 The Chairman asked whether there were any other nominations. Siti Zabedah Kasim proposed that nomination be closed and it was seconded by Colin Andrew Pereira. Amir Bahari pointed out that there was a hand raised from the floor. Siti Aishah binti Aslah stood up and proposed Amir Bahari. The Chairman told Siti Aishah binti Aslah that she could not propose Amir Bahari as Amir Bahari was running for the position of Chairman and the results for the said position had yet to come in. Siti Aishah binti Aslah did not respond to that and sat down. Amir Bahari too remained silent.
- 8.3 Siti Zabedah Kasim again proposed that nomination be closed and it was seconded by Colin Andrew Pereira. The Chairman proceeded to announce that Khaizan Sharizad Ab Razak was duly elected to represent the Kuala Lumpur Bar on the Bar Council for 2017/18.

At this stage, Samreet Singh said that he would like to propose a vote of thanks to the outgoing Chair as well as all the members of the KLBC. The Chairman thanked Samreet Singh and said that the meeting had yet to come to an end as they were still waiting for the results of the counting of the ballot papers for the election of the KLBC Chairman and KLBC Members.

RESULTS OF THE ELECTION UNDER ITEM 6 OF THE AGENDA

The Chairman announced the results as follows:

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| 1. | Mohd Amir Sharil Bahari bin Md Noor | : | 31 |
| 2. | Goh Siu Lin | : | 663 |
| 3. | Alex Anton Netto | : | 240 |

Goh Siu Lin was declared elected as Chairman of the Kuala Lumpur Bar Committee for 2017/18.

RESULTS OF THE ELECTION UNDER ITEM 7 OF THE AGENDA

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| 1. | Muhendaran Suppiah | : | 548 |
| 2. | New Sin Yew | : | 538 |
| 3. | Shashi Devan Thalmalingam | : | 568 |
| 4. | Foong Cheng Leong | : | 553 |
| 5. | Jacky Loi Yap Loong | : | 539 |
| 6. | Vivekananda Sukumaran | : | 581 |
| 7. | Nik Elin Zurina bt Nik Abdul Rashid | : | 552 |
| 8. | Ismail bin Mohamed Arifin | : | 89 |
| 9. | Atan Mustaffa Yussof Ahmad | : | 529 |
| 10. | Chen Yu Szen | : | 524 |
| 11. | Alvin Oh Seong Yew | : | 598 |
| 12. | Faidhur Rahman bin Abdul Hadi | : | 56 |
| 13. | Siti Aishah binti Aslah | : | 45 |

The following members were declared elected to serve on the Kuala Lumpur Bar Committee for the year 2017/18:

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| 1. | Alvin Oh Seong Yew |
| 2. | Vivekananda Sukumaran |
| 3. | Shashi Devan Thalmalingam |
| 4. | Foong Cheng Leong |
| 5. | Nik Elin Zurina bt Nik Abdul Rashid |
| 6. | Muhendaran Suppiah |
| 7. | Jacky Loi Yap Loong |
| 8. | New Sin Yew |
| 9. | Atan Mustaffa Yussof Ahmad |
| 10. | Chen Yu Szen |

**ITEM 9 OF AGENDA:
GENERAL**

- 9.1 Brendan Navin Siva moved a vote of thanks to be recorded to the outgoing Chairman and members of the KLBC. He also congratulated the first female Chair of the KLBC.
- 9.2 In his closing speech, the Chairman thanked all the Committee members who had served with him. He said that he had already thanked his Committee members at their last meeting and similarly he would say the same here. He shared with the House that he was elected from the floor, nominated by Ragunath Kesavan, when he was one year and eight months in practice. He had to go back and inform his boss that he was elected as he did not inform his boss earlier, not knowing that he would be nominated. Since then he had served for two years under Anand Ponnudurai's Chairmanship, two years under Brendan Navin Siva's Chairmanship and two years under Dipendra Harshad Rai's Chairmanship. Thereafter, he became the Chairman. It had now been eight years that he had been with the KLBC. He had been in practice for almost 10 years and it was surreal to realise that he had been doing this for eight years and had only been in practice for 10 years. Thus, he almost would not know what it would be like not being a member of the KLBC. It was going to be very difficult for him to move on but he would wish the new Chair and new Committee all the best. He believed they would do an excellent job. He thanked all the members for showing up in such great numbers at this AGM and there being no other matters, he declared the 25th AGM of the Kuala Lumpur Bar closed at 6:25 pm.



Goh Siu Lin
Honorary Secretary
Kuala Lumpur Bar Committee
2016/17

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT (AS AT 31 DECEMBER 2017)



Goh Siu Lin
Chairman

A. INTRODUCTION

It has been an honour and privilege to serve as Chairman of the Kuala Lumpur Bar this year. The Kuala Lumpur Bar Committee ("KLBC"), Secretariat and Sub-Committees have been hard at work continuing with our proud 25 year history of carrying the voice of the legal profession infused with service to our members.

We thank members for the support and goodwill shown to the KLBC. Your encouragement has given us the added confidence in carrying out our various projects, as detailed below.

B. HONORARY SECRETARY AND CO-OPTED MEMBERS

At its first meeting on 9 March 2017, the KLBC appointed Muhendaran Suppiah as its Honorary Secretary with Collin Arvind Andrew and Alex Anton Netto being co-opted as members of the KLBC under Section 73(vii) of the Legal Profession Act 1976.

C. KLBC ACTIVITIES

i) Monthly Activities Report and communicating information to members

The KLBC continued to keep members apprised of its activities through its monthly activities report uploaded to the KL Bar Blog. We also continued to maintain the use of twitter and facebook as additional channels to communicate information to members apart from the usual e-mail blasts.

ii) Annual Get-together between the KLBC and Selangor Bar Committee ("SBC")

Hosted by the SBC this term, the Annual Get-together between the KLBC and SBC was held on 21 April 2017 at the Merchant Gold Suite, Hotel Armada Petaling Jaya. This Annual Meet was to enable the new office bearers of both the KLBC and SBC to get to know each other and to explore avenues for collaboration to cater to the mutual needs of members of both the Kuala Lumpur Bar and Selangor Bar. As in the past, this Meet had certainly enhanced and strengthened the existing good relationship between the KLBC and SBC.

iii) Appreciation Dinner

An Appreciation Dinner will be held on 9 February 2018 for all members and non-members of the Bar who have selflessly sacrificed their time for the Kuala Lumpur Bar. These volunteers have contributed by giving lectures, conducting or moderating seminars/workshops, representing the KLBC at hearings of Admissions to the Bar, sitting in sub-committees and rendering any other form of assistance to the KLBC.

iv) Workshop on How to Apply for Sijil Annual 2018

To familiarise members with the Online Application for Sijil Annual and Practising Certificate which was implemented by the Bar Council effective 3 July 2017 in line with the Court's e-Kehakiman (Phase 2) system, the KLBC hosted the above workshop organised by the Bar Council on 28 September 2017 at the KL Bar Auditorium.

v) Visit of the Corporate Law Society of the Erasmus University of Rotterdam, Netherlands

The KLBC hosted a group of 17 students and a lecturer from the Corporate Law Society of the Erasmus University of Rotterdam, the Netherlands on 13 April 2017 at the Bar Council office. The students were on a study trip which included a Corporate Law Research project where they were to compare Malaysian Corporate Law to their own Dutch equivalent.

vi) Sponsorship Programme

- The KLBC sponsored two young members for the **NYLC-MCCHR Strategic Litigation Camp 2017** held from 7 to 10 September 2017 in Port Dickson. Jointly organised by the National Young Lawyers Committee (“NYLC”) and Malaysian Centre for Constitutionalism and Human Rights (“MCCHR”), the aim of the camp was to strengthen lawyers’ capacity to undertake public interest litigation for the advancement of human rights.
- In support of the **Pertandingan Perbicaraan Mahkamah Olok-Olok Peringkat Kebangsaan 2017** jointly organised by the Bar Council, Dewan Bahasa and Universiti Sains Islam Malaysia, the KLBC sponsored a team to participate in the competition which was held on 11 and 12 November 2017. The objective of the competition was to enhance the use of the Malay Language as the official language in the judicial and legal field in the country. It also aimed to improve the Malay language proficiency among young lawyers, pupils-in-chambers and law students of Public Universities and Private Institutions of Higher Learning.
- The KLBC sponsored two members to attend the Women Lawyers Conference held on 16 November 2017. Jointly organised by the Bar Council and the Association of Women Lawyers, the goal of the conference entitled **“Enhancing Leadership and Performance Skills for Women Lawyers”** was to explore how to enhance leadership and performance skills for women lawyers, bearing in mind that they may have unique motivations and professional aspirations, and face distinct challenges in the workplace.

vii) Other Events

Besides participating in the many events organised by the Bar Council, the KLBC also attended the following events at the invitation of the respective Bodies:

- **Judicial and Legal Training Institute (ILKAP)**
ILKAP Speaker Series: Judicial Review – The Malaysian Experience on 19 May 2017
- **Kuala Lumpur Court**
Jamuan Tahunan on 19 July 2017
- **LexisNexis Malaysia**
85th Anniversary Celebration for the Malayan Law Journal on 26 July 2017
- **Lembaga Pembiayaan Perumahan Sektor Awam (LPPSA)**
LPPSA Integrity Day Celebration on 15 November 2017
- **Ahmad Ibrahim Kulliyah of Law (AIKOL), International Islamic University Malaysia**
Inaugural AIKOL’s Graduating Students International Business and Dining Etiquette Training Dinner on 21 November 2017
- **The Economic Times**
2nd Edition of the Asian Business Leaders Conclave on 29 and 30 November 2017

viii) KLBC Meetings

As at 31 December 2017, the KLBC met 10 times and the attendance of each member was as follows:

Goh Siu Lin	- 10
Muhendaran Suppiah	- 10
Alvin Oh Seong Yew	- 10
Vivekananda Sukumaran	- 8
Shashi Devan Thalmalingam	- 8
Foong Cheng Leong	- 10
Nik Elin Zurina bt Nik Abdul Rashid	- 9
Jacky Loi Yap Loong	- 10
New Sin Yew	- 10
Atan Mustaffa Yussof Ahmad	- 10
Chen Yu Szen	- 8
Collin Arvind Andrew	- 8
Alex Anton Netto	- 5

Khaizan Sharizad Ab Razak, Kuala Lumpur Bar's representative on the Bar Council, was invited to attend the KLBC meetings as an observer and also to report to the Bar Council on relevant matters as and when pertinent and necessary. She attended a total of nine (9) meetings and worked closely with the KLBC.

ix) Finance, Subscription and Non-subscription Income

The financial position of the KLBC remains healthy and stable with a sum of RM1,870,024 in Fixed Deposit. Details of the financial position are set out in the Audited Accounts ending 31 December 2017.

The subscription for the year 2017 was fixed at RM125 at the last AGM on 23 February 2017. At the closing of the KLBC's financial year on 31 December 2017, 181 members were in arrears of the 2017 subscription.

This term, the KLBC managed to raise a total of RM251,956 from sponsorships, website and newsletter advertisements, PDC seminars and talks held by other sub-committees.

D. SUB-COMMITTEES

The KLBC adopted 10 sub-committees from the previous term, renaming the Civil Practice Committee as Civil Practice and Court Liaison Committee, and Social, Arts and Culture Committee as Recreation, Social and Culture Committee, and set up two new sub-committees, the Gender Equality and Diversity Committee, and Small Firms and Practitioners' Affairs Committee.

The Gender Equality and Diversity Committee was set up to lead the development and implementation of initiatives designed to (i) support a non-discriminatory workplace culture at the Bar; (ii) identify and seek to address barriers and unconscious bias that are faced by members based on gender, sexual orientation or disability which may hamper genuine equality of opportunity; (iii) educate members on best equality and diversity practices through the development of introductory and more advanced training modules.

The Small Firms and Practitioners' Affairs Committee was set up with the purpose of addressing the 'bread & butter' issues faced by law practitioners in Kuala Lumpur; exploring opportunities in order to harmonise the business elements into legal practice; working towards bringing small firms (five (5) practitioners and below) into the age of Information Technology; searching ways to improve the working conditions of law practitioners in Kuala Lumpur.

The 12 sub-committees and their heads are:

- i) Civil Practice and Court Liaison Committee**
Muhendaran Suppiah
Vivekananda Sukumaran
- ii) Corporate and Conveyancing Practice Committee**
Jacky Loi Yap Loong
- iii) Criminal Practice Committee**
Shashi Devan Thalmalingam
- iv) Gender Equality and Diversity Committee**
Goh Siu Lin
- v) Information Technology and Publications Committee**
Foong Cheng Leong
- vi) Professional Development Committee**
Atan Mustaffa Yussof Ahmad
- vii) Pupils Committee**
Alvin Oh Seong Yew
- viii) Small Firms and Practitioners' Affairs Committee**
Alex Anton Netto

- ix) **Recreation, Social and Culture Committee**
Nik Elin Zurina bt Nik Abdul Rashid
- x) **Sports Committee**
Chen Yu Szen
- xi) **Young Lawyers Committee**
New Sin Yew
- xii) **Legal Aid**
Collin Arvind Andrew

The accompanying sub-committees' reports are a reflection of the many activities undertaken by the sub-committees. Fuller account of the activities are provided in the reports of the respective sub-committees but the following are worthy of mention:

- **Car Parking Bays for Pregnant Women**
The Civil Practice and Court Liaison Committee must be commended for their efforts in acquiring from the Administration of the Kuala Lumpur Courts two of the five parking bays for disabled persons to be reserved for pregnant women in particular, pregnant women lawyers.
- **Tales from the Bar**
Kudos to the Civil Practice and Court Liaison Committee for the novel stand-up comic concept cum social get-together. Our guest speakers sportingly took the stand to regale members with their most entertaining yet insightful stories of their experiences at the Bar. The event was very well-received.
- **Diversity and Inclusion Module**
The Gender Equality and Diversity Committee had in December 2017, launched its first experimental module on "Diversity and Inclusion" as part of KLBC's monthly Pupils Introduction. It is important for pupils to be able to understand and identify discrimination so that they are better able to relate with greater sensitivity with peers, superiors and clients for a better work environment. Deeper appreciation of the intersectionality of discrimination and application of laws also leads to improved legal services for clients.
- **Implementation of the e-Tanah system at the Wilayah Land Office**
The Corporate and Conveyancing Practice Committee must be lauded for taking on the arduous task of vetting urgent requests from members to have their titles converted to e-titles and sending a daily listing of urgent titles to the Wilayah Land Office for conversion during the transition period when the Wilayah Land Office was in the process of converting all titles to e-titles.
- **Preserving the history of the Malaysian Bar and Kuala Lumpur Bar**
Credit must be given to the Information Technology and Publications Committee for embarking on a project to interview senior members of the Bar to capture anecdotal stories and pieces of our legal history which will be published on the KL Bar Website/Blog.
- **Archiving photographs of past activities of the Kuala Lumpur Bar**
Credit must once again be given to the Information Technology and Publications Committee for scanning and archiving on Flickr more than 1,700 photographs of activities of the Kuala Lumpur Bar held from 1980 to 2007. The project is still ongoing.
- **Collaboration with Grab**
The Information Technology and Publications Committee have worked hard to secure special rates for members with ride hailing service provider Grab - when travelling to Courts within the Klang Valley and for meetings.
- **Professional Development Programmes**
Congratulations to the Professional Development Committee for yet another successful term with many professional development programmes being organised covering a very interesting mix of topics.

- **Silver Jubilee Gala Dinner**
A Silver Jubilee “Nostalgia” Gala Dinner was held to celebrate a glorious milestone – 25 years of the Kuala Lumpur Bar! Hats off to the Recreation, Social and Culture Committee for all their hard work and tireless efforts behind the scenes to make it a special and memorable night for everyone.
- **Community Outreach Programme**
A praiseworthy project by the Recreation, Social and Culture Committee in collaboration with Suriana Welfare Society, Wibawa Women, Majlis Kebajikan Kanak-Kanak Malaysia and Drop & Wash. The free legal aid clinic with other activities such as English Workshop, Self-Defence Workshop, Fun Archery and “Program Mentor-Mentee Bersama SME” was held at Taman Tasik Dato Keramat, Kuala Lumpur with the aim of helping underprivileged youths in the area.
- **Silatul Rahim Tea Party**
Special mention must again be made of the Recreation, Social and Culture Committee for organising an event for Kuala Lumpur Bar’s teetotalers with guest speaker, Azhar Harun a.k.a Art Harun.
- **Buka Puasa with the Homeless at SEED**
In the spirit of the holy month of Ramadhan, the Recreation, Social and Culture Committee together with Pertubuhan Pembangunan Kebajikan dan Persekitaran Positif Malaysia (SEED) held a potluck breaking of fast event with the homeless, people living and affected with HIV and transgender community at the SEED office in Jalan Tiong Nam, Kuala Lumpur. A truly noble effort by the Recreation, Social and Culture Committee.
- **Tripartite Bar Games**
The Tripartite Bar Games between the Malaysian Bar, Advocates’ Association of Sarawak and Sabah Law Society was held in Kuala Lumpur this year and the Kuala Lumpur Bar was given the privilege of hosting the Games in conjunction with our 25th Anniversary Celebrations. The event was highly successful, thanks to the superb organisation by the Sports Committee.
- **Thayalan Memorial Cup 7-A-Side Football Tournament**
The Sports Committee must also be commended for reviving the Thayalan Memorial Cup 7-A-Side Football Tournament after an 11-year hiatus. This revived tournament attracted 14 teams including two women’s teams.
- **KL Bar Run 2018**
A flagship event of the Kuala Lumpur Bar, the fourth KL Bar Run is scheduled to be held on 21 January 2018 at Lake Gardens. A record breaking total of 130 teams with 520 runners had signed up for the Run. Congratulations to the Sports Committee for a job well done.

This year, the KL Bar Run collaborated with Care2Run - a sports mentoring programme for youths aged 8-18 years with special focus on children with higher learning needs who come from different social economic backgrounds. It is a programme to foster social unity and meaningful community service through sports. A lot of members have donated their preloved running items in support of this sports programme which connects community, exercise and nature.
- **Charity Night 2017**
Once again the Young Lawyers Committee rose to the occasion and raised sums in excess of RM40,000 benefitting the Cleft Lip and Palate Association of Malaysia (CLAPAM).
- **Buka Puasa with Rohingya and Myanmar Muslim Refugees**
The Young Lawyers Committee organised a Buka Puasa event with the Rohingya and Myanmar Muslim Refugees at Humanitarian Aid Selangor (formerly known as MyWelfare Centre) in Selayang and successfully raised RM2,710 in donation for the event.

E. OBITUARIES

The KLBC records with deep sorrow the passing of the following members of the Kuala Lumpur Bar in the year 2017:

Santha Bhaskara Menon on 10 January 2017
Balwant Singh on 2 February 2017
V.T. Nathan s/o Vallipuram on 4 February 2017
Gopenathan Raman Nair on 5 February 2017
Sanmugam Pomugam Ponnann on 8 March 2017
Muhammad Zayd bin Bohorudin on 8 March 2017
Jonathan Yoon Weng Foong on 5 April 2017
Perry Tan Teck Meng on 29 April 2017
Haji Abdul Rahman bin Abdullah on 4 May 2017
Sadacharam Raman on 10 June 2017
Rajkumar Mathusuthanan on 22 June 2017
Haji Nik Mohd Rasdi bin Haji Nik Daud on 5 July 2017
Muhammad Syaharudin bin Azmi on 20 July 2017
Lim Soh Wah on 30 July 2017
Kupparedy Gopal on 16 August 2017
Shaari bin Haji Md Nor on 28 August 2017
Woo Wei Kwang on 10 October 2017
Zainal Abidin bin Abdul Rahman on 14 November 2017

Two sessions of Reference Proceedings in respect and memory of the abovenamed members and Paramanathan s/o Kathegasu who departed on 8 January 2016, will be held on 18 and 24 January 2018 at 9:00 am at the Kuala Lumpur High Court. The two Reference Proceedings will respectively be presided by Y.A. Datuk Wira Kamaludin bin Md. Said and Y.A. Datin Hajah Azizah binti Haji Nawawi.

F. SECRETARIAT

The Secretariat supports the work of the KLBC and its sub-committees. Except for the Legal Aid Centre which has its own staff, the projects and activities of the other 11 sub-committees were coordinated and managed by the Secretariat staff. With a strength of just 12 persons, the Secretariat staff have worked tirelessly throughout the year to ensure the smooth running of the Secretariat and the successful implementation of KLBC projects and activities. This includes performing other regular functions such as keeping records of meeting proceedings, processing Petitions for Admissions to the Bar, collecting annual subscriptions, maintaining the accounts, register of members, website and other social media of the Kuala Lumpur Bar, attending to day-to-day enquiries from members of the Bar, pupils-in-chambers and members of the public, just to name a few.

The KLBC is fortunate to have a group of loyal and dedicated staff, the majority of whom have served the KLBC for many years. This year, five (5) members of our staff received their long service award – Mary Tan, our Executive Director and longest serving staff has served the KLBC (and prior to 1992, the Selangor & FT Bar Committee) for forty years (40) years, Indira Angappan, our Admission Officer, has served the KLBC for twenty (20) years; our two Administrative Assistants, Vasanthe Kumari and Jayashree and our General Office Assistant, Silmah Salisin, have each served the KLBC for five (5) years.

An unfortunate incident of a former member of the staff and the replacement staff misappropriating funds of the KLBC in the last term, had left a vacant position which has now been filled by Noratikah Shaharudin who joined us on 12 January 2017. We find her to be a good addition to the Secretariat team.

As always, the Secretariat staff works very closely with the KLBC in striving to serve the Kuala Lumpur Bar better and provide members with a more effective and efficient Secretariat. We welcome feedback and suggestions on ways that we can assist members and increase the effectiveness and efficiency of the Secretariat.

With the Malaysian Bar having acquired Wisma Straits Trading, the Secretariat is expected to move to the said building when its tenancy at the current premises, Wisma Hangsam, expires in August 2018.

G. BAR ROOM AT THE KUALA LUMPUR COURT COMPLEX

In order to provide better service to our members and in the interests of cost-efficiency, the KLBC is currently conducting a trial run by outsourcing all the services provided at the Bar Room for a period of six (6) months, commencing from 2 October 2017. We welcome feedback from members.

H. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND CONCLUSION

The KLBC acknowledges and is appreciative of the assistance rendered by the Kuala Lumpur High Court during the transition period of the e-filing system earlier this year. Any shortcomings over the year are regretted and for this, I seek your understanding as “Imperfection is the universal quality of being human”.

Finally, special thanks to the Honorary Secretary, Muhendaran Suppiah, Khaizan Sharizad Ab Razak (KL Bar Representative on the Bar Council), Mary Tan (Executive Director) and my 10 Committee members for their frank insights during our deliberations. I have also been privileged to have the support of a wonderful and hard-working Committee and Secretariat. Each and every one of us in the Committee share one vision and purpose. Our approach and styles may differ but we are united in improving standards of service for our members and fostering diversity and inclusion within the legal profession and beyond.

Goh Siu Lin

Chairman

Kuala Lumpur Bar Committee 2017/18

SECRETARIAT STAFF



Mary



Melissa Dass



Norhayati



Rajan



Siti Affaeza



Indira



Rosilawati



Jayashree



Noratikah



Vasanthe



Yazid



Silmah

CIVIL PRACTICE AND COURT LIAISON COMMITTEE

Muhendaran Suppiah
Vivekananda Sukumaran
Co-Chairpersons



The Civil Practice and Court Liaison Committee (“CPCLC”) continues its objective of resolving the judicial and administrative issues faced by members of the Kuala Lumpur Bar. To meet the above objective, CPCLC had set up three sub-units namely the Car Park Unit, Complaints Log Unit and Camaraderie Unit.

Car Park Unit

To handle parking issues at the Kuala Lumpur Courts including the construction of a multi-storey car park.

Complaints Log Unit

To create a platform (FB page) or forum to make it easy for members to raise their problems/issues.

Camaraderie Unit

To organise social events for civil litigators to meet and share their experiences.

CPCLC had the following meetings and activities in the term 2017/18:

MEETING WITH THE KUALA LUMPUR COURTS ADMINISTRATION

The meeting was held on 12 May 2017 at 3:00 pm at the Kuala Lumpur Courts. The Kuala Lumpur Bar Committee (“KLBC”) was represented by the Honorary Secretary Muhendaran Suppiah, Committee members namely Atan Mustafa, Vivekananda Sukumaran, Shashi Devan Thalmalingam, Jacky Loi Yap Loong, Nik Elin Zurina and the Kuala Lumpur Bar Representative on the Bar Council Khaizan Sharizad. Among the matters discussed at the meeting were issues relating to the car park and Service Bureau, the condition of the washrooms at the Kuala Lumpur Court Complex, the implementation of Phase 2 of the E-Court System and matters pertaining to the Criminal Law Courts.

MEETING WITH THE E-KEHAKIMAN TEAM

The meeting was held on 6 July 2017 at 2:30 pm at the Kuala Lumpur Courts to discuss the newly implemented Phase 2 of the E-Filing system (“EK2”) which was launched on 24 May 2017 for the Kuala Lumpur Courts. KLBC was represented by the KLBC Chairman Goh Siu Lin, Honorary Secretary and CPCLC Co-Chairperson Muhendaran Suppiah, ITPC Chairperson Foong Cheng Leong and CPCLC Co-Chairperson Vivekananda Sukumaran. Among the issues discussed during the meeting were the number of tickets issued per day for filing at the Service Bureau, additional staff to man the helpdesk, training for lawyers, technical issues of the EK2 and the closure of the Service Bureau.

Committee Members

Mohd Asyraf Sukiman
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Loo Wai Hoong
Matt Wong Chong Ee
Phan Yit Leng
V. Sharveena Thevy

Observers

Baljit Singh Uppal a/l Jeswan Singh
Chan Pui See, Cheyenne
Low Sin Loong

TALES FROM THE BAR

The event was organised by the Camaraderie Unit and it was held on 20 October 2017 at The Bee, Publika, Solaris Dutamas, Kuala Lumpur. The event was a success with about 250 participants. The guest speakers were PS Ranjan, Anand Ponnudurai, Atan Mustafa, Fahri Azzat, Syahredzan Johan, HR Dipendra, Sangeet Kaur, Robyn Choi, Goh Siu Li, Richard Wee, David Gurupatham and Nik Elin. Games were also organised involving Professor Azmi Sharom, Aaron Mathews, Choo Dee Wei, Shashi Devan, Alex Netto and Vivekananda Sukumaran. The crowd was also entertained by two lawyer comedians, Sulaiman and Kelvesh, during the intervals.

CAR PARKING BAYS FOR PREGNANT WOMEN

At the request of the CPCLC, the Administration of the Kuala Lumpur Courts agreed to allocate two of the five parking bays for disabled persons (OKU) to be reserved for pregnant women. However, the Courts had suggested that the KLBC was to sponsor the signs to be put up. CPCLC Co-Chairperson, Vivekananda Sukumaran had managed to get one of his clients to sponsor the two signs.

ONLINE SURVEY

An Online Survey was created by the Complaints Log Unit and it was officially launched in conjunction with the Tales from the Bar event on 20 October 2017. Results of the survey would be compiled and published once the tabulation of the feedback had been done.

PROPOSAL TO BUILD A MULTI-STOREY CAR PARK

The Car Park Unit had written to Unit Kerjasama Awam Swasta (“UKAS”) seeking information on whether there was any plan to build a multi-storey car park at the Kuala Lumpur Courts. A request was also made of UKAS to invite the KLBC for any discussion on such a plan, if any, as lawyers are the main users of the car park at the Kuala Lumpur Courts.

CONCLUSION AND APPRECIATION

We would like to record our thanks and appreciation to members for their time and support rendered to the CPCLC.

Muhendaran Suppiah and Vivekananda Sukumaran

Co-Chairpersons

Civil Practice and Court Liaison Committee



CORPORATE AND CONVEYANCING PRACTICE COMMITTEE

Jacky Loi Yap Loong
Chairperson



The Corporate and Conveyancing Practice Committee (“CCPC”) maintained its main objective of resolving problems and issues faced by the corporate and conveyancing practitioners with various stakeholders, including the relevant government agencies though for this year CCPC had especially liaised closely with the Wilayah Persekutuan Kuala Lumpur (“WPKL”) Land Office.

Since taking office, CCPC had requested and received feedback from our members on the issues encountered during practice. CCPC had also organised seminars/workshops highlighting topics beneficial to corporate and conveyancing practitioners and requested/attended meetings/discussions with the relevant officers of the WPKL Land Office.

CCPC had the following meetings and activities in the term 2017/18:

BRIEFING ON E-TANAH

The e-Tanah portal was launched on 19 June 2017 and the WPKL Land Office had organised a briefing on the procedures re how to apply ID from the e-Tanah portal, online search (eCarian), online payment for quit rent (eBayaran) and online status for applications (eSemakan). CCPC was represented at the briefing, which was held on 14 June 2017, by Sarguna Kumaari Munusamy, Achiammal Soorianarayanan, Nahzatul Ain binti Mohd Khalid, Chong Wai Kuan, Ow Hui Ching and SharulBariah bt Aziz @ Nurshamila bt Aziz.

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE E-TANAH SYSTEM BY THE WPKL LAND OFFICE

The WPKL Land Office started the e-tanah system as gazetted by the government on 19 June 2017. The main exercise of the system was the conversion to e-titles or digitisation of the documents of titles within the WPKL Land Office.

ISSUES ARISING FROM THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE E-TANAH SYSTEM

The Chairperson had a meeting on 4 July 2017 with the WPKL Land Office officers in charge of e-tanah on issues relating to the conversion exercise as lawyers had complained that all transactions had been delayed due to the exercise. To overcome the problem, the WPKL Land Office had sought the assistance of the CCPC to vet urgent requests from lawyers for their titles to be converted to e-titles. E-blast on this matter was issued on 10 July 2017 informing members of the Kuala Lumpur Bar to email their requests and a daily listing of the urgent titles was sent to the WPKL Land Office where the list was given priority to be processed by the WPKL Land Office. CCPC had taken on this task of assisting the WPKL Land Office up to 30 August 2017. In total, CCPC had listed approximately 1000 titles and close to 80 percent were successfully converted within the requested timeline. The WPKL Land Office could not process the remaining titles due to various issues concerning those titles.

MEETING WITH THE WPKL LAND OFFICE TOGETHER WITH BAR COUNCIL RE E-TANAH

As a follow-up to the above conversion exercise, a meeting with the WPKL Land Office was held on 18 July 2017. The meeting was attended by the CCPC as well as representatives from the Bar Council and Selangor Bar Committee. Issues and problems related to e-Tanah faced by lawyers were discussed at the said meeting. Some key points highlighted by the WPKL

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Chew Yong See
Chia Kim Meang
Chong Wai Kuan
Daphne Lew Chah Yee
Dennis Teoh
Donny Kwa Soo Chuan
Melissa Tiang Chiew Ling
Mohd Arif Asyraf bin Sukiman
Nicholas Tan Choi Chuan
Ong June Siang
Ow Hui Ching
R. Yogeswari
Sarguna Kumaari Munusamy
SharulBariah bt Aziz @ Nurshamila bt Aziz
Susan Joseph

Observers

Sarah binti Kambali
Sundaradevan Ramachandaran

Land Office were:

- The conversion exercise will be completed by 30 August 2017;
- Law firms were urged to register as users to enable them to carry out future transactions online (i.e. searches, submission and conversion).

A FOLLOW-UP MEETING ON E-TANAH

A follow-up meeting was held on 7 August 2017 at the request of the Bar Council Conveyancing Practice Committee to further discuss issues relating to e-Tanah. CCPC was well represented at the meeting with the Chairperson, Kuala Lumpur Bar Representative on the Bar Council Khaizan Sharizad Ab Razak and four other CCPC members namely Dennis Teoh, Edham Reza Shah, Mohd Arif Asyraf bin Sukiman and Sarguna Kumaari Munusamy. The meeting also discussed issues raised by members relating to the conversion exercise.

TRAINING EVENTS

DATE AND TIME	EVENT	TRAINERS/SPEAKERS	NO. OF PARTICIPANTS
1 & 2 March 2017 9:00 am to 5:00	2-Day Practical Workshop on Conveyancing Practice	Lee Peck Ha (Team Leader) R Yogeswari Dennis Teoh Susan Joseph Nahzatul Ain binti Mohd Khalid Chong Wai Kuan Sarah binti Kambali Daphne Lew Chah Yee Ow Hui Ching Donny Kwa Soo Chua	24
4 May 2017 10:00 am to 4:30 pm	Seminar on Wills, Probate, Letter Of Administration and Small Estates Distribution Act 1958	Selva Balan a/l Sinnan Nahzatul Ain binti Mohd Khalid Ow Hui Ching Daphne Lew Chah Yee	83
8 & 9 August 2017 9:00 am to 5:00 pm	2-Day Practical Workshop on Conveyancing Practice	R Yogeswari Dennis Teoh Susan Joseph Nahzatul Ain binti Mohd Khalid Sarah binti Kambali Chong Wai Kuan Daphne Lew Chah Yee Ow Hui Ching Nor Azura binti Abdul Rahman (WPKL Land Office)	58
24 October 2017 9:00 am to 5:00 pm	Workshop on Banking Documentations for Housing Loans (Including Banking Litigation)	R Yogeswari Chong Wai Kuan Nahzatul Ain binti Mohd Khalid Ong June Siang	71

CONCLUSION AND APPRECIATION

I would like record my deepest gratitude and heartfelt thanks for the time and support given by our members especially to those who conducted the trainings, seminars and workshops. They have selflessly spent their precious time to share their experiences with the participants. I hope that this sharing trend will continue in the future.

Jacky Loi Yap Loong

Chairperson

Corporate and Conveyancing Practice Committee

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CRIMINAL PRACTICE COMMITTEE

Shashi Devan Thalmalingam
Chairperson



The Criminal Practice Committee (“CPC”) continues its main objective of overcoming the issues and problems faced by criminal law practitioners with the related agencies namely the Judiciary, the Attorney General’s Chambers and the Police.

MEETING WITH THE KUALA LUMPUR COURTS ADMINISTRATION

The CPC Chairperson attended this meeting, which was held on 12 May 2017, together with the KLBC Honorary Secretary Muhendaran Suppiah, KLBC members namely Atan Mustaffa, Vivekananda Sukumaran, Jacky Loi Yap Loong, Nik Elin Zurina and the Kuala Lumpur Bar Representative on the Bar Council Khaizan Sharizad. Salient issues discussed at the meeting were mainly related to the car park and Service Bureau, the condition of the washrooms at the KL Court Complex, the upcoming implementation of Phase 2 of the E-Court System (“EFS”) which would include the Criminal Division.

CPC raised the issue of accused persons having multiple criminal charges heard in separate Courts which could be consolidated into one trial. Having multiple charges which were similar in nature, heard in separate Courts would burden the accused where bail amount was concerned. The CPC Chairperson suggested that the Deputy Public Prosecutors and the Courts look into cases where there were multiple charges preferred against an accused person and ensure that the charges were consolidated prior to registration of the charges. The Courts informed that they were aware that this situation was happening and they believed the matter would be resolved with the implementation of the EFS Phase 2.

PROPOSAL FOR PRE-TRIAL CASE MANAGEMENT

CPC had taken on the task of requesting the Judiciary to form a working committee between the Judiciary, Attorney General’s Chambers and the Kuala Lumpur Bar. The proposed working committee shall seek to ensure the fair and just enforcement of the pre-trial case management procedures as contained in the Criminal Procedure Code.

CPC had forwarded the proposal to the Supervising Judge of the Kuala Lumpur Criminal Courts and requested feedback from the Court Officers.

SEMINARS

CPC had planned to organise several seminars for the term but due to unforeseen circumstances they were either postponed or cancelled. The only seminar held during the term was:

- **Seminar on Pre-Trial Preparation for Criminal Brief**

This seminar was presented at the KL Bar Auditorium on 17 November 2017 from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm by Collin Arvind Andrew, Chairperson of the Bar Council Legal Aid Centre (Kuala Lumpur). It was attended by 24 participants.

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Low Jia Mun, Carmen
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Reetha Parawakaran
Tan Wen Shi, Joshina
Teoh King Men
Yong Ching Hong

CONCLUSION AND APPRECIATION

I would like to record my thanks and appreciation to members for their time and support for the CPC.

Shashi Devan Thalmalingam

Chairperson

Criminal Practice Committee



GENDER EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY COMMITTEE

Goh Siu Lin
Chairperson



The Kuala Lumpur Bar Committee is committed to promoting excellence, diversity, respect and inclusion at the Bar consistent with the principles of justice and equality. Towards this end, the Gender Equality and Diversity Committee (“GEDC”) was established to lead the development, implementation and initiatives designed to:

- support a non-discriminatory workplace culture at the Bar;
- identify and seek to address barriers and unconscious bias that are faced by members based on gender, sexual orientation or disability which may hamper genuine equality of opportunity;
- promote and advance equal employment opportunity for the full development of talent and capacities;
- educate members on best equality and diversity practices through the development of introductory and more advanced training modules.

Over the past year, the following seminars and sensitisation programmes have been organised:

SEMINAR ON “SPEAK UP: HANDLING HARASSMENT AND RAISING ISSUES IN LAW FIRMS/WORKPLACE”

This interactive seminar was presented by Animah Kosai at the KL Bar Auditorium from 9:00 am to 12:30 pm on 20 June 2017. Animah spoke about the importance of encouraging a corporate culture of openness and allowing people to raise issues of concern without fear of reprisal. This is to encourage an empowering culture where people can raise issues of concern. The seminar was attended by 14 participants.

SEMINAR ON “UNDERSTANDING SEXUAL HARASSMENT”

This introductory seminar was presented by Betty Yeoh at the KL Bar Auditorium from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm on 21 June 2017. The seminar was attended by 15 participants.

SEMINAR ON “GENDER AND SEXUALITY FOR LAWYERS”

This seminar was presented by Thilaga (Justice for Sisters) and Aston Paiva at the KL Bar Auditorium from 2:30 pm to 5:00 pm on 13 July 2017. The seminar was attended by eight (8) participants and covered, amongst others, “What is sex, gender identity, gender expression and sexual orientation”; “Key issues and trends”; “Cases - section 66, change of name, gender marker and other details in legal documents, SM case; and “Good practices”. We were also joined by Rachel Crasnow QC, a leading UK Silk well known for her expertise in discrimination law, who shared a little about the UK experience.

SEMINAR ON “ROBES, BIBS & HEELS – TRAPEZE OR TRAMPOLINE?”

This seminar was presented by Anit Kaur Randhawa, Constance Low and Daniel Bong Cheng Hua at the KL Bar Auditorium from 3:00 pm to 6:00 pm on 14 August 2017. The speakers shared practical tips and spoke about their personal experiences through their respective lenses, as a litigator, corporate lawyer and a newly minted father, on the challenges of balancing legal practice and family life. The seminar was attended by 11 participants.

Committee Members

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Low Chooi Ping
Daniel Bong Cheng Hua
Manimagalai a/p Gowindasamy

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Honey Tan

INCLUSION AND DIVERSITY MODULE

The GEDC has collaborated with the Pupils Committee to include a gender sensitisation module into the monthly Pupils' Introduction Sessions:

DATE	TOPIC	PRESENTER	NO OF PUPILS
5 July 2017	Sexual Harassment awareness	Betty Yeoh (AWAM)	84
2 August 2017	Sexual Harassment awareness	Betty Yeoh (AWAM)	76
6 September 2017	Unconscious Bias	Goh Siu Lin	74
4 October 2017	Unconscious Bias	Anne Abraham (LeadWomen)	73
1 November 2017	Sexual Harassment and Unconscious Bias	Betty Yeoh (AWAM) Goh Siu Lin	96
6 December 2017	Diversity and Inclusion	Goh Siu Lin Yu Ren Chung (Women's Aid Organisation)	83

DESIGNATED PARKING SPACES FOR PREGNANT WOMEN LAWYERS AT THE KUALA LUMPUR HIGH COURTS

The GEDC in collaboration with the Civil Practice and Court Liaison Committee have secured designated parking spaces for pregnant women lawyers at the Kuala Lumpur Court Complex.

Goh Siu Lin

Chairperson

Gender Equality and Diversity Committee



INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE

Foong Cheng Leong
Chairperson



The Information Technology and Publications Committee ("ITPC") continued to push for reforms and changes within the Kuala Lumpur Bar's IT framework and modernising the Kuala Lumpur Bar Secretariat.

KUALA LUMPUR BAR WEBSITE AND MOBILE APP

The KL Bar Website was revamped for the second time after we had engaged Agile D3veloper Sdn Bhd in June 2017 to develop the Kuala Lumpur Bar Mobile App. The new website now allows members to purchase our event tickets online and information received by Kuala Lumpur Bar Secretariat will be automatically compiled. It also allows members to make payment via the iPay88 payment gateway.

Agile D3veloper Sdn Bhd is also in the midst of developing the Kuala Lumpur Bar Mobile App. The said App will allow members to purchase tickets for events via the App, among others.

Our previous developer, Webb Agency Sdn Bhd, was unable to complete the development of the App and we had terminated their services.

DIGITALISATION OF PETITIONS OF NEW PUPILS-IN-CHAMBERS

Commencing from 2 February 2017, KLBC accepted service of all cause papers and correspondence relating to a pupil's application for admission to the Bar via email. Consequently, KLBC had ceased the maintenance of physical files for pupil's application for admission to the Bar.

NEW MEMBERSHIP MANAGEMENT SYSTEM AT THE SECRETARIAT

Brainymations Studio Sdn Bhd, whom we had engaged in the last term to develop a new Membership Management System are in the last stage of development and the system is now pending deployment.

The new Membership Management System allows, among others, the synchronisation of the Bar Council membership database with the Kuala Lumpur Bar's members database. This effectively eliminates data entry on the part of the Secretariat and the need for members to inform the Secretariat of any changes of their status or details.

PRESERVING OUR LEGACY - INTERVIEW WITH SENIOR MEMBERS

As part of our effort to preserve the legal history of the Malaysian Bar and Kuala Lumpur Bar, we embarked on a project to interview senior members of the Bar to capture bits and pieces of our legal history.

In this regard, we have interviewed Chen Kah Leng, Lee Tatt Boon, Dato' Seri Mohd Hishamudin Yunus and Su Tiang Joo.

We are at the midst of transcribing some of these interviews with the help of transcription service provider, Scribe.

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KL BAR PHOTO SCANNING PROJECT

With the assistance of fellow member Wan Zafran, the ITPC scanned over 1700 photographs taken in the late 1980s to 2007. The photographs are now uploaded to the KLBC Flickr page at <https://www.flickr.com/people/149053426@N03/>

DIGITALISATION OF CASSETTE RECORDINGS

We have embarked on a project to digitalise all our audio cassette recordings dating back to the 1990s. We have uploaded a speech titled "Lecture on Traditions of The Bar" by the late Peter Mooney in the year 2000 on SoundCloud (<https://soundcloud.com/user-849278037/lecture-on-traditions-of-the-bar-by-dato-dr-peter-mooney-28-february-2000>).

The late Peter Mooney had served as the Attorney General of Sarawak and the Vice President of the Malaysian Bar. He was also one of the founding partners of Skrine.

KL BAR-GRAB PROMO

In September 2017, we collaborated with ride hailing service provider Grab to offer special rates to our members. The 400 members who signed up for this promotion had RM5 off their rides for meetings and to the Courts within the Klang Valley. For new users of Grab, they had RM15 off for their first ride.

BAR ROOM

With the imminent closure of the Kuala Lumpur Court Service Bureau for lawyers, we have configured the computers at the Kuala Lumpur Court Bar Room to enable e-filing of documents with the Court's e-filing system. Members may now scan their documents at the Bar Room and efile their documents provided that they bring their own token.

We have also improved the internet connection at the Bar Room by upgrading the connection to 10 MBPS.

ITC LEGAL TECH WORKSHOP SERIES ON SECURING YOUR DIGITAL ASSETS

This workshop was presented by Yeo Yee Ling and Jesslyn Lim Wei-Lin on 9 March 2017 at the KL Bar Auditorium from 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm. The workshop was attended by 16 participants. The workshop covered, amongst others, "Cybersecurity"; and "Domain names".

We will also be organising a seminar on Technology and Coding in early 2018. We are still finalising the details.

APPRECIATION

The projects of the ITPC could not have been carried out without the strong and genuine interest of our ITPC members who continued to assist and work behind the scenes to get the projects running and going. The ITPC members have continued to be supportive and helpful.

Foong Cheng Leong

Chairperson

Information Technology and Publications Committee



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Atan Mustaffa Yussof Ahmad
Chairperson



The main objective of the Professional Development Committee (“PDC”) is to continue to offer members and pupils, through its legal education programmes, the opportunity to fortify their basic legal skills and to keep themselves abreast of developments in various areas of practice. The PDC strives to organise various legal education programmes for both members of the Bar and pupils-in-chambers.

This year, the PDC has organised 56 events in total, covering a wide range of topics as listed in the following page.

The response to the events has continued to be encouraging and it is our hope that members would participate in our programmes to enhance their professional development.

We would like to invite experienced practitioners to come forward to serve in the PDC and/or to volunteer as speakers. Please feel free to contact the PDC with your views or suggestions so that we may continue to improve on the quality and relevancy of the PDC Programmes for 2018.

Atan Mustaffa Yussof Ahmad
Chairperson
Professional Development Committee

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Selvaraja a/l Chinniah
Gavin Jayapal
Amanda Hoi
Loong Sheng Li

NO.	DATE	TOPIC/PARTICULARS	SPEAKER(S)
1	17 January 2017	Take Over Rules 2016	Wong Tat Chung
2	20 January 2017	Reciprocal Enforcement of Foreign Judgment	Lua Ai Siew
3	21 January 2017	Intellectual Property Cases	Y.A. Datuk Wong Kian Kheong
4	25 January 2017	Seminar on Tax Savings for Partners	Lim Kien Chai
5	21 February 2017	Court Etiquette and Decorum	H.R. Dipendra
6	22 February 2017	Seminar for Lawyers on Understanding Clients' Annual Reports & its Financial Statement	Lim Kien Chai
7	23 February 2017	Briefing on the Expansion of E-Court System (Phase 2) Throughout Peninsular Malaysia at the Annual General Meeting of the Kuala Lumpur	Desmond Ho Kenny Lai
8	24 February 2017	Fundamentals of Civil Litigation	Sanjeev Kumar Rasiah Colin Andrew Pereira
9	28 February 2017	Fundamentals of Bankruptcy and Revamping the Bankruptcy Act 1967	Trevor Jason Mark Padasian
10	3 March 2017	Updates to the Companies Act	Wong Tat Chung
11	7 March 2017	Seminar for Lawyers on Profit from Disposal of Real Property: Chargeable Gains or Business Gains?	Lim Kien Chai
12	10 March 2017	An Introduction to Legal Advocacy	Fahri Azzat
13	14 March 2017	An Introduction to Immigration Law	CR Selva
14	21 March 2017	Updates to the Companies Act	Wong Tat Chung
15	22 March 2017	GST for Real Property Transactions	Thenesh Kannaa
16	28 March 2017	Appellate Advocacy	Ira Biswas
17	31 March 2017	Competition Law in Action	Sudharsanan Thillainathan Winnie Chan Yin Nie Mohd Imran Adnan
18	21 April 2017	An Introduction to Industrial Court Procedures	Atan Mustaffa Yussof Ahmad
19	26 April 2017	Updates to the Companies Act	Wong Tat Chung
20	12 May 2017	The New Companies Act 2016 and the Companies Winding Up Petitions: An Introduction	Alex Chang
21	16 May 2017	Seminar for Lawyers on Accounting & Finance	Lim Kien Chai
22	18 May 2017	Joint Ventures and Strategic Alliances	Jeremiah R. Gurusamy
23	19 May 2017	Updates to the Companies Act	Wong Tat Chung
24	25 May 2017	Human Rights and The Constitution	Emeritus Professor Datuk Dr Shad Saleem Faruqi
25	26 May 2017	An Introduction to Arbitration In collaboration with MIArb	Kevin Prakash Victoria Loi Tien Fen Karen Ng Gek Suan
26	31 May 2017	Judicial Power, The Federal Constitution, and Section 40 of the Land Acquisition Act 1960 - Is the Judge a Rubber Stamp?	Balwant Singh Sidhu
27	6 June 2017	Seminar for Lawyers on Managing Office & Clients' Accounts	Lim Kien Chai
28	14 June 2017	Tort Of Malicious Prosecution In Civil Proceedings	Kalai Sivanadian

NO.	DATE	TOPIC/PARTICULARS	SPEAKER(S)
29	15 June 2017	Preparation for a Murder Trial	Vijayandran Thanigasalam
30	16 June 2017	Updates to the Companies Act	Wong Tat Chung
31	16 June 2017	Adopted but Stateless – Our Invisible Children	Raymond Mah Mun Kitt Goh Siu Lin
32	19 June 2017	Limited Liability Partnership	Wong Tat Chung
33	20 June 2017	Seminar on The Memorandum of Understanding: Art of Drafting & Its Enforceability	Lim Kien Chai
34	7 July 2017	Assertive Presentation Skills Workshop	K. Loghandran
35	14 July 2017	Updates to the Companies Act	Wong Tat Chung
36	14 July 2017	Registration of Foreign Marriages & Divorces of Malaysians, Is Registration a Requirement for Validity of a Malaysian Marriage and Dependency Claims?	Balwant Singh Sidhu
37	17 July 2017	Domestic Violence Act	Yu Ren Chung Loheswary Arumugam
38	18 July 2017	Seminar on the Acquisition & Disposal of Shares in Real Property Company	Lim Kien Chai
39	1 August 2017	An Introduction to Industrial Court Procedures	Atan Mustaffa Yussof Ahmad
40	11 August 2017	Medical Law	Karthi Kanthabalan
41	15 August 2017	Seminar on the Law of Joint Ventures	Lim Kien Chai
42	18 August 2017	Unenforceable/Enforcement – Contract for Professional Fees	N. Murugayah
43	22 August 2017	Understanding Trade Marks	Janet Toh Yoong San Lee Chiao Ying
44	29 August 2017	Real Property Gains Tax	Thenesh Kannaa
45	14 September 2017	Shareholders Remedies: Winding Up, Minority Oppression and Derivative Action	Lee Shih Nathalie Ker Si Min
46	26 September 2017	Seminar for Lawyers on “How to read & understand your own firm’s financial statements”	Lim Kien Chai
47	27 September 2017	Recent Tax Cases – Insights to Court Room Drama	S. Saravana Kumar
48	3 October 2017	Drafting of Commercial Contracts	Jeremiah R. Gurusamy
49	6 October 2017	Role of Lawyers as Effective Gatekeepers in Preserving the Integrity of the Financial System: Prevention of Money Laundering & Terrorism Financing	Afiz Fazriz Azizi Tee Suat Hong (from BNM)
50	10 October 2017	An Introduction to Construction Law	Choon Hon Leng
51	13 October 2017	An Introduction to Intellectual Property	Cindy Goh Joo Seong
52	26 October 2017	Current Immigration Issues and the Law	CR Selva
53	14 November 2017	Judicial Review 101	Shanmuga Kanesalingam
54	15 November 2017	Money Laundering and The Law	Dato’ Jagjit Singh a/l Bant Singh
55	24 November 2017	Enforcement of Foreign Judgment	Claudia Cheah Pek Yee
56	28 November 2017	Seminar on Mergers & Acquisitions: Managing Commonly Encountered Issues	Lim Kien Chai

Upcoming Seminars

NO.	DATE	TOPIC	SPEAKER(S)
1	17 January 2018	Limited Liability Partnership	Dato' Richard Azlan Abas CEO, The Malaysian Directors Academy (MINDA)
2	24 January 2018	Common Issues and Pitfalls Arising from the PAM Contract	Chan Kheng Hoe
3	26 January 2018	Budget 2018 for Lawyers	Lim Kien Chai
4	29 January 2018	Unseen Valuables	Siti Munirah Maarof
5	30 January 2018	Insolvency Act 1967 Revamping the Bankruptcy Act 1967	Trevor Jason Mark Padasian
6	5 February 2018	Solicitors Remuneration Order	Haji Abdul Murad bin Che Chik
7	6 February 2018	Practical Insights and Tips on the Construction Industry Payment and Adjudication Act	Darshendev Singh Aaina Liyana binti Abd Manaf
8	7 February 2018	Ship Registration and Ship Mortgage	Clive Navin Selvapandian
9	8 February 2018	Sexual Harassment	Janice Anne Leo Selvanathan





PUPILS COMMITTEE



Alvin Oh Seong Yew
Chairperson

PUPILS INTRODUCTION SESSIONS (“PI SESSIONS”)

The PI Sessions are conducted every month and it is compulsory for all pupils to attend.

These sessions are intended to, inter alia, introduce pupils to the roles played by the Malaysian Bar, the Bar Council and the Kuala Lumpur State Bar Committee.

During these sessions, pupils also meet members of the Kuala Lumpur Bar Committee (“KLBC”) where they can voice any concerns they may have during their pupillage. The Chairman and KLBC members have also been able to advise and share their experience in practice with the pupils.

This year, a session on unconscious bias and harassment was introduced with the purpose of exposing the pupils to such issues. The pupils were taught how to identify such issues and what steps to take to redress them. These sessions were conducted by several speakers including Betty Yeoh, a founder member of AWAM, Goh Siu Lin, the KLBC Chairman, Anne Abraham of LeadWomen and Yu Ren Chung of Women’s Aid Organisation.

The PI Sessions for this term (as at 31 December 2017) and the relevant statistics were as follows:

DATE	PUPILS ATTENDED
5 April 2017	83
3 May 2017	91
7 June 2017	83
5 July 2017	84
2 August 2017	76
6 September 2017	74
4 October 2017	73
1 November 2017	96
6 December 2017	83

PI SESSIONS VIDEO UPDATE

The video presentation aired to the pupils during the PI Sessions has been updated to showcase the contributions of members of the Malaysian Bar.

PUPILS’ WORKSHOPS

The Pupils’ Workshops are a series of workshops focused to deliver concise lectures on a particular area of practice to equip pupils with practical knowledge and skills pertinent to that area of law.

Committee Members

- Chen Yu Szen
- Emily Chong Pei Yen
- Lim Zi Han
- Rajinah Ashwini
- Shashi Devan a/l Thalmalingam
- Vinu Kamalanathan

DATE OF WORKSHOP	TOPIC	SPEAKER(S)
6 July 2017	Corporate	Addy Herg
9 November 2017	Criminal Litigation	Lim Chi Chau Jacky Loi Yap Loong
14 December 2017	Corporate	Sheba Gumis

PUPILS' LUNCHEON: A TASTE OF THE BAR VII

The Pupils Committee will be organising the Pupils' Luncheon: A Taste of the Bar VII sometime in early 2018. Pupils are encouraged to attend and share a meal with senior practitioners who can share their experience and insights.

PUPILS' HANDBOOK

At the time of this report, the Pupils' Handbook is being revised in terms of its content and will be incorporating updates such as the CPD Scheme for pupils.

In promoting efforts to go paperless, physical copies of the Pupils' Handbook will no longer be printed. Instead, the Pupils' Handbook will be uploaded to the KL Bar Website for pupils to access.

Alvin Oh Seong Yew

Chairperson

Pupils Committee

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SMALL FIRMS AND PRACTITIONERS' AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Alex Anton Netto
Chairperson



The newly minted Small Firms & Practitioners' Affairs Committee ("SFPAC") came to fruition with these objectives in mind:

- To address the 'bread & butter' issues faced by practitioners in Kuala Lumpur;
- To venture out for ways to harmonise the business elements into legal practice;
- To work towards bringing small firms (five (5) practitioners and below) into the age of Information Technology (IT);
- In constant search of ways to improve the working conditions of practitioners in Kuala Lumpur.

SFPAC had the following activities in the term 2017/18:

PROPOSAL RE CASE MANAGEMENT VIA EMAIL

We are in the midst of preparing a paper to take up with the Judiciary on the possibility of implementing the conducting of case management via e-mail at the Kuala Lumpur Courts. If it could be implemented, the parking problem at the Kuala Lumpur Courts would be solved because we believe that almost 80% of the cars at the Kuala Lumpur Courts every morning were going there for case management or mentions.

PRONOUNCEMENT OF JUDGMENTS VIA E-MAIL

We noted with interest the pronouncement of a Judgment in Sarawak via the e-mail. Though it runs contrary to the provisions of the Courts of Judicature Act 1964 which provides for Judgments to be pronounced in open Court, we felt that if the same could be implemented in Kuala Lumpur, it would not only save practitioners' time having to travel all the way to the Court but also greatly reduce the need for practitioners to choke up the limited parking spaces at the Kuala Lumpur Court Complex just to collect their respective Judgments. We had written to the Bar Council Rules Committee seeking clarification whether the same could be implemented in Kuala Lumpur. We are awaiting their response.

FORUM ON THE INTRODUCTION TO THE WORLD OF CRYPTOCURRENCY, BLOCKCHAIN AND BITCOIN

The forum was held on 8 November 2017 at the KL Bar Auditorium from 2:30 pm to 5:30 pm with three panellist namely Kohei Morinaga from the Finatext Group, Suraya Zainudin from ACCESS Blockchain Association Committee and Jenna Beh Huey Ching from Fintech Division in MDEC. The forum was very well received with 81 participants.

CONCLUSION AND APPRECIATION

I would like to record my thanks and appreciation to members for their time and support for the SFPAC.

Alex Anton Netto

Chairperson

Small Firms and Practitioners' Affairs Committee

Committee Members

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Observer

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RECREATION, SOCIAL AND CULTURE COMMITTEE

Nik Elin Zurina bt Nik Abdul Rashid
Chairperson



THE KL BAR SILATUL RAHIM TEA PARTY

The first event for teetotalers, the KL Bar Silatul Rahim Tea Party, took place on 22 April 2017 with a talk by Azhar Harun a.k.a Art Harun. 20 lawyers attended the event which was held at Dua by SKOHNS

SOCIAL GET-TOGETHER

This event was held on 12 May 2017 at MindSpace, 1 Mont Kiara from 7:30 pm onwards. It was a success with a turnout of about 50 lawyers and pupils-in-chambers.

POTLUCK BUKA PUASA WITH THE HOMELESS AT SEED

Jointly organised by the Recreation, Social and Culture Committee and Pertubuhan Pembangunan Kebajikan dan Persekitaran Positif Malaysia (SEED), this potluck breaking of fast event with the homeless, people living and affected with HIV and transgender was held on 13 June 2017 at SEED office in Jalan Tiong Nam, Kuala Lumpur.

BLOOD DONATION CAMPAIGN

The Annual Blood Donation campaign, with the assistance of the National Blood Bank, was held on 14 August 2017 at Level 2 of the Kuala Lumpur Court Complex.

Members of the Bar, Court staff and members of the public nobly came forward to participate in this Blood Donation Campaign.

A total of 51 donors registered. Unfortunately, only 46 were eligible to donate. The five were rejected because they were either underweight, having high blood pressure or low blood pressure or had lived in the United Kingdom from 1980 till 1996 or in Europe between 1980 until the present. A total of 46 units of blood were collected from the caring donors.

SILVER JUBILEE GALA DINNER

The Kuala Lumpur Bar Silver Jubilee Gala Dinner was held on 9 September 2017 at the Grand Summit Ballroom @ the Vertical, Connexion Conference and Event Centre, Bangsar South City, Kuala Lumpur, themed "Nostalgia". It was a special night. We celebrated a glorious milestone – 25 years of the Kuala Lumpur Bar! The night started off with a dance performance by the Jemari Dancers and to infuse sparkle and nostalgia into our festivities, we had renowned Malaysian singing sensation Nora Ariffin who entertained the crowd with her dulcet vocals. We were also proud to have our homegrown talents from the Bar performing many nostalgia songs throughout the night.

Not forgetting the sacrifices and contribution of our past Chairmen that have made the Kuala Lumpur Bar what it is today, we honoured each and every one of them at the event.

Thanks to the generosity of our sponsors, we made a surplus of RM12,680.04 and due to a technical default at the venue, the Connexion Conference and Event Centre made a refund payout of RM30,000. This meant the event was an exceptional success with a surplus of RM42,680.04. It was indeed a special night!

Committee Members

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Khaizan Sharizad Ab. Razak
Vinu Kamalanathan

KUALA LUMPUR COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAMME

The first Kuala Lumpur Community Outreach Programme event, supported by Suriana Welfare Society, Wibawa Women, Majlis Kebajikan Kanak-Kanak Malaysia and Drop & Wash, was held on 29 October 2017 at Taman Tasik Dato Keramat, Kuala Lumpur.

This event was a success with a turnout of about 200 members of the public. In this event we provided free legal aid aimed at helping underprivileged youths in the area. Besides the Legal Aid Clinic, other activities were also held such as English Workshop, Counselling and Guidance, Child Abuse (Sexual abuse/bullying) Awareness, Connecting unemployed youths with training and employment opportunities with SMEs (An adoption registration for "Program Mentor-Mentee Bersama SME"), Self-Defence Workshop and Fun Archery.

The Recreation, Social & Culture Committee ("ReSCu") wishes to record our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who contributed generously towards the cause in terms of time, effort and money.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I record my thanks and appreciation to my ReSCu members who had worked hard behind the scene to ensure the success of our projects, especially our flagship event – the Silver Jubilee Gala Dinner. I would also like to express my gratitude to our Officer in Charge, Uvanarajan who has been a wonderful asset to ReSCu. Many thanks too to all our members for supporting the activities of ReSCu.

Nik Elin Zurina bt Nik Abdul Rashid

Chairperson

Recreation, Social & Culture Committee





26th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING KUALA LUMPUR BAR



SPORTS COMMITTEE

Chen Yu Szen
Chairperson



3RD KL BAR POOL TOURNAMENT 2017

This tournament was held on 7 January 2017 at Five Star Pool & Bar, SS15, Subang Square Corporate Tower, Subang Jaya. It was a doubles competition with a handicap system to promote participation amongst new players. In total 10 pairs registered to play, with the final played on 19 January 2017.

There was only one mixed double and one ladies double. They created a surprise when they both qualified for the semi-finals, beating out some more fancied pairs.

The semi-finals were opposite affairs, one being a lopsided 8-0 win and the other going down to the wire with the ladies double losing 6-9 after leading 6-5 and needing only one more frame to win. The final was a cagey one though sprinkled with some excellent safety shots and kick shots. Eventually, Michael Tan Ching Hooi and Eugene Teo ran out as deserving winners by a score of 9-6!

Semi Finalists

1. Syed Ismit Putra bin Syed Mohd Fuad and Effa Ruzanna binti Anuar (Rank D)
2. Elaine Tan and Natasha Louis (Rank C)

Runners-Up

Sean Yeow Huang-Meng and Peter-Douglas Ling (Rank A)

Champions

Michael Tan Ching Hooi and Eugene Teo (Rank B)

KL BAR RUN 2017

The KL Bar Run 2017 was held on 15 January 2017 at the Lake Gardens. A record breaking total of 93 teams with 372 runners comprising members of the Bar, pupils-in-chambers and law graduates participated in this event.

The Run was flagged off at 7:00 am by the then Chairman of the Kuala Lumpur Bar, Ravin Singh. Team Speedy Gonzalez emerged as champions with the first runners-up and second runners-up going to Team MO4 and Team Front Runners (Shearn Delamore & Co) respectively.

The Fanciest Dressed Award was won by Team DOH! (Chooi & Co) who came dressed as characters from The Simpsons with second place going to Team ADJ and third place going to Team Agony of Defeat.

Prizes were also given to the fourth and fifth fastest teams as well as the top three individual fastest male and female runners. Team "We Thought It Was KL Bar Rum" emerged winner for the inaugural Best Name Category.

16TH KUALA LUMPUR-SELANGOR BAR GAMES 2017

The 16th Kuala Lumpur-Selangor Bar Games was held on 21 January 2017 at Persada PLUS Sports Complex with the Selangor Bar playing hosts. Kuala Lumpur Bar emerged triumphant

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Lee Kah Yent
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Ravinder Singh Dhaliwal
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Shankar Govinth Balachandran
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Sri Sarguna Raj
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Susanah Ng Sing Mei
Sylvester Low Vinzen
Wan Syariah binti Razman

in an unprecedented clean sweep over Selangor Bar. Kuala Lumpur Bar ended with an overall score of 7-0, winning at golf, netball, volleyball, badminton, ladies futsal, men's futsal and football to lift the Lal Singh Muker Challenge Trophy. The Prize-Giving Dinner was held at the Cafeteria, Persada Plus Sports Complex and was well attended by the participants from the Kuala Lumpur Bar.

5TH KL BAR FUTSAL COMPETITION 2017

This Competition was held at Samba De Futsal, Petaling Jaya on 6 May 2017. A total of 23 teams (20 Men's and 3 Women's) participated in the event and the winners were:

Men's Category

- Champion – Morior Invictus
- 1st Runner Up – Enjoi Troopers
- 2nd Runner Up – Dark Horses

Women's Category

- Champion – The Outlaws
- Runner Up – KTT

Men's Plate Category

- Champion – CPD FC
- Runner Up – ZICO

Men's Best Player – Krishnamogan

INTERSTATE BAR GAMES 2017

Hosted by the Kedah Bar Committee, the Interstate Bar Games was played on 19 August 2017. Kuala Lumpur Bar emerged overall champion and the results were as follows:

NO	SPORT	KUALA LUMPUR BAR'S PLACING
1	Golf	1 st Place
2	Football	2 nd Runner Up
3	Volleyball	1 st Place
4	Ladies Futsal	1 st Place
5	Netball	1 st Place
6	Badminton	1 st Runner Up
7	Darts	3 rd & 4 th Place

TRIPARTITE BAR GAMES 2017

The Tripartite Bar Games between the Malaysian Bar, Advocates' Association of Sarawak and Sabah Law Society this year was hosted by the Malaysian Bar and held in Kuala Lumpur on 6 and 7 October 2017.

The Kuala Lumpur Bar was given the privilege of hosting the Games in conjunction with our 25th Anniversary Celebrations this year and selected University Malaya as the venue for most of the sports played.

This year's Games involved the following competitive sports – golf, ladies' futsal, cross country, badminton, basketball, football and bowling. The three Bars also took part in three non-competitive sports – pool, darts and boat race.

The Malaysian Bar was declared the overall champion and retained the Tripartite Bar Games Overall Champion Trophy winning at all the competitive sports except football which it drew with the Sabah Law Society.

26TH SPORTS CARNIVAL - KL BAR VS RSC

The 26th Annual "Sports Carnival" between the Kuala Lumpur Bar ("KL Bar") and Royal Selangor Club ("RSC") for the YA Tan Sri Dato' Harun Hashim Challenge Trophy was hosted by RSC. All games were played on 28 October 2017 except darts which was played on 25 October 2017. RSC beat KL Bar 4-3 winning at darts, cricket, soccer and hockey to become the Overall Champion. KL Bar won badminton, pool/snooker and "boat race". The End-of-Games and Prize-Giving Dinner was well attended.

THAYALAN MEMORIAL CUP 7-A-SIDE FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

Revived after an 11-year hiatus, this Tournament was held at New Camp, Bandar Utama, Petaling Jaya on 16 December 2017. A total of 14 teams (12 Men's and 2 Women's) participated in the event and the winners were:

- Champion – Jingli Nona FC
- 1st Runner-up – Trialist
- 2nd Runner-up – Tangguh Sebentar FC
- 3rd Runner-up – Jamboo FC
- Top scorer – Syafiq (Trialist)
- Best player – Mohammad Hafiz bin Razman (Trialist)

4TH KL BAR POOL OPEN 2017 (10 BALL - SINGLES)

The Pool Open 2017 will be held on 6 January 2018 with light lunch and refreshments at 5ive Star Pool & Bar, SS15, Subang Square Corporate Tower, Subang Jaya.

KL BAR RUN 2018

The KL Bar Run 2018 will be held at Lake Gardens on 21 January 2018.

3RD KL BAR BOWLING COMPETITION

This Competition will be held at U Bowl, One Utama, Bandar Utama Damansara on 27 January 2018.

17TH KUALA LUMPUR-SELANGOR BAR GAMES

This year is the Kuala Lumpur Bar's turn to host the series and it is scheduled for 3 February 2018, venue and time to be confirmed. The games played in the last series were golf, netball, volleyball, badminton, ladies futsal, men's futsal and football.

Chen Yu Szen

Chairperson

Sports Committee

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YOUNG LAWYERS COMMITTEE

New Sin Yew
Chairperson



The Young Lawyers Committee ("YLC") promotes and represents the interest of junior members of the Kuala Lumpur Bar.

The purpose of the YLC is:

1. To promote and protect the interest and welfare of junior members in Kuala Lumpur;
2. To provide a platform for young lawyers in Kuala Lumpur to foster camaraderie within and beyond the Bar;
3. To uphold justice; and
4. To advocate best practices in the profession.

The YLC sub-committees were revamped and renamed into four main areas of focus and interests of the YLC. These sub-committees were:

1. Welfare and Social Justice;
2. Career Development and Progression;
3. Training and Entry to the Bar; and
4. Networking Within and Beyond the Bar.

It has been and will continue to be that members are always encouraged to come up with ideas for activities and given the liberty to run such activities.

The activities carried out for the year were:

YLC RETREAT

The retreat was a team-building and mission-and-vision-setting activity where new members come together to ideate and draft a 5-year blueprint for the YLC. It was held at Seri Pegantin Resort at Janda Baik, Pahang on 22 and 23 April 2017. It was attended by 28 participants.

MALAYSIAN LEGAL EXPO ("LEXPO")

The YLC opened a stand at the 3rd LEXPO held on 29 April 2017 at University of Malaya in order to reach out to and establish presence among law students and junior members of the Bar.

BUKA PUASA WITH ROHINGYA AND MYANMAR MUSLIM REFUGEES

This Buka Puasa event with 500 Rohingya and Myanmar Muslim refugees was held on 18 June 2017 at Humanitarian Aid Selangor (formerly known as MyWelfare Centre), 14 Jalan 4, Selayang Baru (Pasar Borong Selayang Lama), 68100 Batu Caves. YLC managed to raise RM2,710 in donation for the event.

CHARITY NIGHT AUDITION

The audition of the performers for the Charity Night was held at Drum Asia on 25 August 2017 from 8:00 pm to 10:00 pm.

Co-Sec. General Welfare and Social Justice

Emily Chong Pei Yen
Michael Leong Wei Xin

Co-Sec. General Career Development and Progression

Muhamad Izwan bin Ishak
Vivian Kuan Hui Xian

Sec. General Training and Entry to the Bar

Fiona Lim Cho Ching

Co-Sec. General Networking Within and Beyond the Bar

Louis Liaw Vern Xien
Shugan Raman

Representative to National Young Lawyers Committee

Rajsurian Pillai a/l Chellappa Pillai

LAWYERS AND PUPILS MERDEKA EVE SOCIAL

This Merdeka Eve Social was held on 30 August 2017 at Modern Society, DC Mall, Pusat Bandar Damansara from 8:30 pm till late. More than 100 members of the Bar and Pupils turned up for the event.

CHARITY NIGHT

The 13th Charity Night was held on 10 November 2017 at Makespace, Quill City Mall from 7:00 pm to 11:00 pm. We had 11 performances and raised sums in excess of RM40,000. Our beneficiary this year was the Cleft Lip and Palate Association of Malaysia (CLAPAM).

SEMINARS AND WORKSHOPS

As at 31 December 2017, we organised four (4) Seminars and Workshops as follows:

NO.	DATE	TOPIC/PARTICULARS	SPEAKER(S)
1.	15 July 2017	Sexual Harassment Awareness Training	Yu Ren Chung Daniella Zulkifli
2.	5 August 2017	Lawyered but not Financially Battered	Aaron Tang Shen Lee (Mr Stingy's Blog) Julian Ng (former presenter/ producer @ BFM) Alex Anton Netto
3.	26 August 2017	CVs, Cover Letters and Job Interviews: Do's & Don'ts	Mohd Izral Khairy Richard Wee Thiam Seng Jamie Wong Siew Min
4.	4 December 2017	Criminal Litigation in the United States of America	Thomas C. Goldstein (Appellate Advocate, US Supreme Court) New Sin Yew

UPCOMING EVENTS

NO.	DATE & TIME	PARTICULARS	SPEAKER(S)
1.	20 January 2018	Forum on Habits Of A Highly Effective Lawyer <i>Collaboration with eLawyer</i>	Lau Kee Sern Shawn Ho Eddie Law
2.	27 January 2018	Business Development for Lawyers: Building Your Career Beyond Legal Skills	Foong Cheng Leong Lee Shih
3.	TBC	An Introduction to Arbitration	TBC
4.	TBC	Arbitration Camp	TBC

APPRECIATION

The activities and projects of the YLC would not have been successful but for the contribution, effort and support of its members.

New Sin Yew

Chairperson

Young Lawyers Committee



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BAR COUNCIL LEGAL AID CENTRE (KUALA LUMPUR)

Collin Arvind Andrew
Chairperson



1. REPORT OF MANAGEMENT PANEL

New Collaborations, Moving Forward, Busy, Busy and Busy!

The above indeed sums up the year for the Bar Council Legal Aid Centre (Kuala Lumpur) ("LAC") who has time and again proved its mettle by rising to the occasion.

I am indeed thankful and ever grateful to the LAC and to all those who have placed confidence in me as I embarked on my first term as Chairperson for the year 2017. My heartfelt gratitude goes out to all who have given me this opportunity to have been a part of an exciting year at LAC and to have been able to play an active role in these pursuits. I am indeed proud of the many accomplishments the LAC has achieved within this short period of 2017. Let me start by naming a few as follows -

I New Collaborations

A. Thai Citizens Legal Aid Scheme (T-CLAS)

In providing for a dynamic and activist scheme of legal aid services, the LAC and the Royal Thai Embassy had risen to the occasion to form T-CLAS. T-CLAS is essentially a scheme where our lawyers provide free legal representation to Thai citizens in Malaysia whilst being paid with funding given by the Royal Thai Embassy in Kuala Lumpur. The payment rates for lawyers largely incorporate the existing YBGK payment rates. T-CLAS was officially launched by the Ambassador of the Royal Thai Embassy in Kuala Lumpur on 29 November 2017, followed by a press conference on 13 December 2017 at the Royal Thai Embassy alongside representative of Malaysian Bar. With the coming of this scheme, we remain hopeful in our vision that more Embassies will come forward to forge a similar scheme with the LAC so that we will be able to represent all foreigners ensnared within the justice system.

B. Malaysian Trades Union Congress (MTUC)

In addition to the many existing legal aid clinics we have established with our various partners, this year, we are happy to report on the creation of a new legal aid clinic in partnership with MTUC. MTUC is a federation of trade unions, with its objectives, inter alia, to improve the economic and social conditions of workers. We started the programme with ten (10) pupils for the first batch, and have gradually increase the number to fifteen (15) for the second batch and twenty (20) pupils for the third batch. This move was made as a result of positive feedback given by our pupils on this programme and the request from MTUC to increase the number of pupils. We are confident that our pupils who signed up for this legal aid clinic are now sensitised over the issues of employee rights violations, Malaysians and foreigners alike and we hope that more pupils can advocate for their rights in the near future.

C. Universities

Our collaboration with Universities, notably KDU University College allows us to instill values to law students on the philosophy of legal aid, so that when they are indeed called to the Bar, they realise the importance of their position in being able to make changes in the lives of so many persons who otherwise have no access to justice. We

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Treasurer

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Kenneth Koh Zhong Wey

Arun Kumar a/l S. Kanesin

Abd Shukor Tokachil

Kasthuri a/p Krishnan

hope therefore, that they will volunteer their services whether at LAC or in their own capacity to assist this group of persons. Further thereto, we also do our best to instill these values and sensitise pupils who commit to their fourteen (14) days legal aid duty on the hardships faced by communities who do not have access to justice. We inspire them (or at least we try to) by sharing with them real cases and how with our intervention, it has made an impactful difference in their lives. With this, we hope that more pupils when they complete their legal aid duty at the LAC, will continue to do legal aid voluntarily.

II Busy, Busy and Busy!

The LAC, also acting as the YBGK Secretariat has served for years and with the cooperation of so many partners and volunteers, it will continue to do so. Our dedication is appended in the respective reports and this in itself speak volume of the dedication of the LAC staff, volunteer lawyers, pupils and all who are involved in its continued success.

III Acknowledgements

Now, credit must be given where it is due. I would like to thank each and every staff at the LAC for their dedication they have shown in their daily workload and extra hours spent beyond their working hours on the various programmes and activities that we have taken up. Special thanks is also due to the Executive Director, Stephanie Bastian who had made my job as Chairman less stressful especially with the running of the day to day administration of the Centre and in the organisation of activities at LAC.

I am grateful to the Office Bearers and members of the Management Panel at LAC who continue to support the respective committees, programmes and activities conducted at LAC.

I am also grateful for the time and support given by senior members of the Bar, such as Ravi Nekoo, Ravin Singh, Harleen Kaur, just to name a few.

And to the lawyers and pupils who have assisted LAC, thank you for your time and support.

All in all, allow me to quote a line from Jay Z's track, Encore: "Thank you, thank you, thank you, you're far too kind!"

IV Moving Forward

Finally, allow me to share with you a piece of good news. On or about October 2017, the LAC was notified that the Bar Council has obtained vacant possession of Wisma Straits Trading, strategically located and accessible via several modes of public transportation. KLLAC is one of the two LACs in Peninsular which does not have its own premises. Being in the capital and having to cater to a huge number of persons who needed legal aid assistance, it was therefore crucial that LAC have its own premise. The high rental costs and other incidental expenses to upkeep and maintain the premise was certainly not what the LAC had envisaged. Therefore with the notification made by the Bar Council, the LAC is happy to report that we now have our own premise to serve people better and to conduct more activities without having to worry about wastage of monies. This is indeed a step forward in the right direction and we are thrilled to plan and make the necessary arrangements to move into what we can now proudly call our own premise in the months to come.

Thank you.

Collin Arvind Andrew

Chairperson

Bar Council Legal Aid Centre (Kuala Lumpur)

2. **BAR COUNCIL LEGAL AID CENTRE KUALA LUMPUR ("LAC")
ANNUAL REPORT JANUARY TO OCTOBER 2017**

STATISTICS ON CLIENTS

A. LAC CLIENTS

A.	CLINIC/PROGRAMME	CLIENTS 2016 (JAN-DEC)	CLIENTS 2017 (JAN-OCT)
1.	Sungai Buloh Remand (non-citizen)	3	-
2.	Kajang Women (non-citizen)	-	-
3.	Kajang Men (non-citizen)	1	19
4.	LAC Walk in clients	1991	1721
5.	Syariah Clinic	46	39
6.	LAC/SIS	420	435
7.	LAC/AWAM	425	193
8.	LAC/WAO	103	294
9.	LAC/Tenaganita	5641	3748
10.	LAC/UNHCR	3034	1542
	Total	11664	7991

B. YBGK CLIENTS

B.	CLINIC/PROGRAMME	CLIENTS 2016 (JAN-DEC)	CLIENTS 2017 (JAN-OCT)
1.	Sungai Buloh Remand (Citizen)	194	246
2.	Kajang Women (Citizen)	138	50
3.	Kajang Juvenile (Citizen)	360	194
4.	Kajang Men (Citizen)	7	6
5.	YBGK Walk in Clients	755	720
6.	Arrest	4	-
7.	Remand	16559	10855
8.	Bail	193	3
9.	Mitigation	616	29
10.	Juvenile Remand Home	13	-
11.	Dock Brief Programme	2699	2780
	Total	21538	14883

C. LAC + YBGK CLIENTS

C.	LAC & YBGK CLIENT GRAND TOTAL	CLIENTS 2016 (JAN-DEC)	CLIENTS 2017 (JAN-OCT)
1.	Sub Total LAC Client's	11664	7991
2.	Sub Total YBGK Client's	21538	14883
3.	Grand Total LAC & YBGK Client's	33202	22874

STATISTICS ON FILES OPENED, ASSIGNED AND UNASSIGNED FOR LAC AND YBGK FILES

		AS AT DECEMBER 2016			AS AT OCTOBER 2017		
	CATEGORY	OPENED	ASSIGNED/ SETTLED	UNASSIGNED	OPENED	ASSIGNED/ SETTLED	UNASSIGNED
A	LAC Files						
1	Criminal Files	6	6	-	3	3	-
2	LAC Employment Files	19	19	-	18	18	-
3	LAC Family Files	49	49	-	21	19	2
4	Syariah Files	1	1	-	3	3	-
5	MISC Files	1	1	-	1	1	-
6	Civil Files	-	-	-	2	2	-
	Sub-Total BCLAC(KL)	76	76	-	48	46	2

B		AS AT DECEMBER 2016			AS AT OCTOBER 2017		
	YBGK FILES	OPENED	ASSIGNED/ SETTLED	UNASSIGNED	OPENED	ASSIGNED/ SETTLED	UNASSIGNED
	CRIMINAL – YBGK FILES						
1	• YBGK LAC Walk in Files	194	196	1	189	184	6
	• YBGK Prisons Files	108	115	1	64	59	6
	• Court Letters	321	349	4	49	53	-
	Sub –Total YBGK	623	660	6	302	296	12

C	LAC & YBGK FILES	OPENED	ASSIGNED / SETTLED	UNASSIGNED	OPENED	ASSIGNED/ SETTLED	UNASSIGNED
1	Sub Total LAC Files	76	76	-	48	46	2
2	Sub Total YBGK Files	623	660	6	302	296	12
3	Grand Total LAC & YBGK Files	699	736	6	350	342	14

3. REPORT ON LEGAL AWARENESS PROGRAMME

Prepared by the LAC Secretariat

Co- Project Head

Joachim Francis Xavier

Kenneth Koh Zhong Wey

Introduction

The Legal Awareness Programme is run by the Bar Council Legal Aid Centre to encourage awareness and a deeper understanding amongst pupils of the importance of legal aid work through the compulsory Legal Aid Programme. The Legal Awareness Programme serves a crucial purpose in initially preparing pupils for what is expected of them over the course of their fourteen days of legal aid duty, and in helping them end their duties upon completion by drawing together the lessons they have learnt in a comprehensive way.

Aim

The aim of the Legal Awareness Programme is to educate pupils on their social responsibilities as future advocates and solicitors. It aims to do this by exposing pupils to ideas around current issues, concepts on human rights, and their duties towards society as legal practitioners in upholding the law.

Activities

As of 30 November 2017, the Legal Awareness Programme's activities have been designed as a number of Orientation Sessions held at the beginning (Introductory Sessions) and at the end (Exit Evaluation Sessions) of the Legal Aid Programme.

These sessions incorporate both group activities and lectures that focus on preparing pupils for the Legal Aid Programme by expanding their social awareness as well as technical knowledge of the law. The sessions are aimed at educating pupils on the application of the correct laws, and also teaching them the necessary soft skills required to manage their clients.

a) Introductory Sessions

Committee members held eight Introductory Sessions to train pupils from Batches 90 to 94. Training is focused on increasing awareness around human rights issues and introducing pupils to the various programmes run by the KL Legal Aid Centre (“KL LAC”). The sessions utilise a participatory methodology by encouraging open discussions and an exploration of group dynamics.

Through these orientation sessions, participants are taught to view their clients not simply from the perspective of legal practitioners, but as individual human beings with real life problems. As the KL LAC caters to a wide array of clients facing a range of legal issues, it is important for pupils to understand the correct methods of dealing with different clients and how to apply these methods to handle clients effectively. Pupils are also briefed on the various legal aid efforts currently run by the KL LAC, and are given the opportunity to apply to participate in the programmes that they are interested in.

In the past, KL Bar Committee members Kenneth Koh Zhong Wey, Joachim Francis Xavier and Vernon Samuel have acted as facilitators for these orientation sessions. They are outstanding speakers who have consistently received top reviews from pupils at each session.

b) Exit Evaluation Sessions

Eight Exit Evaluation Sessions were also held from Batches 90 to 93. These sessions are designed to encourage pupils to talk about their experiences over the duration of their legal aid programmes, and to gather their input and feedback on how these programmes can be improved. Pupils are also given the opportunity to enrol themselves and further participate as members of the Legal Aid team as qualified lawyers in the future.

It is hoped that these Exit Evaluation Sessions will help pupils complete their fourteen days with a better insight into the significance of the Legal Aid Programme as a tool to further develop our nation's community as a whole.

Conclusion

As pupil numbers increase each year, 2017 has been an extremely busy year for this Committee. The Committee hopes its members will continue to show their support, commitment and dedication to the running of this Programme during the years to come.

4. REPORT ON DOCK BRIEF PROGRAMME

Prepared by LAC Secretariat

Project Head

Collin Arvind Andrew

Introduction

The Dock Brief Programme first started in 1989 at Jalan Raja Magistrates' Courts. In the beginning it started with two courts with four pupils on duty. Now it covers 14 Courts with 75 pupils to assist local and foreign clients, including juveniles.

The pupils are trained to develop both advocacy and interview skills. The services for criminal cases provided under this programme include mitigation, bail application and other related advices to walk-in clients at the Dock Brief Room.

In ensuring that the pupils are equipped with adequate knowledge and skills, senior lawyers are invited by the Committee to conduct trainings. This year, T. Vijay had conducted the trainings. In addition to the trainings given by the senior lawyers, the Committee also conducted role-play and mock-trial during the trainings to ensure the pupils have a better understanding of the Dock Brief programme.

Until mid-year 2017, the Committee had also conducted:

1. four Dock Brief Training Programmes for the pupils from Batches 90, 91, 92 and 93. A total of 295 pupils attended the said trainings;
2. four Mid Term Reviews for the pupils of this Programme.

Statistics on the Number of Pupils Per Batch

BATCH	90	91	92	93
No. of Pupils	70	75	75	75

Statistics

As at 31 October 2017, the programme has provided legal representation to 3,246 clients in the Kuala Lumpur Criminal Magistrates’ Courts at Jalan Duta. The table below indicates the category of the cases handled by the pupils:

MONTH	MITIGATIONS & REPRESENTATION	BAIL APPLICATION	ADVICE GIVEN/ POSTPONED	DB WALK IN CLIENTS	TOTAL
January	233	6	19	31	289
February	261	11	17	16	305
March	368	17	30	46	461
April	243	5	6	35	289
May	246	2	8	51	307
June	224	24	9	22	279
July	278	16	11	37	342
August	290	14	24	39	367
September	204	44	18	43	309
October	234	30	6	28	298
Total	2581	169	148	348	3246

5. REPORT ON PRISON PROGRAMME

Prepared by LAC Secretariat

Project Head

Ravi Nekoo

Introduction

The Clinic was first initiated in December 1997 at the Sungai Buloh Prison and progressively established other programmes such as the Kajang Women Prison (“KWP”) in the year of 2000, the Kajang Women Migrant Prison (“KWMP”) in September 2003 as well as the Sungai Buloh Migrant Prison (“SBMP”) in May 2004. Meanwhile the Juvenile Remand Home (“JRH”) Programme commenced in 2001 and it was extended to the Kajang Juvenile Prison (“KJP”) in 2007.

In the year of 2013, YBGK continued to take over the Prisons Programme and ensured regular visits to conduct interviews with arrested persons. With the establishment of YBGK, legal representations were offered to both local and underaged detainees in the Prison and to be assigned to YBGK lawyers. Whereby, the LAC will assist clients who are Migrants aged 21 years old and above by assigning their cases to the respective pro bono lawyers.

Subsequently, in the year of 2016, the Prisons Programme started operating under two States which are YBGK Selangor and YBGK Kuala Lumpur. Accordingly, YBGK Selangor conducts the Prisons Programme at Sungai Buloh Prison every alternate Wednesdays where else, the YBGK Kuala Lumpur conducts the prison visits at Kajang Juvenile Prison and Kajang Women Prison every alternate week Wednesdays.

Both YBGK Selangor and Kuala Lumpur work hand-in-hand to assist clients accordingly when they are referred by mail and also follow up on the interview sheets according to the assigned Courts.

During the end of year 2017, the prison programme had conducted:

1. four Prison Training Programmes for pupils from Batches 90, 91, 92 and 93. A total of 40 pupils attended the said trainings;
2. four Mid Term Reviews for the pupils involved in the Prisons Programme.

Statistics for January to October 2017 on no. of Clients Interviewed

DETAILS	NO. OF INTERVIEWS CONDUCTED
Client Interview by YBGK Selangor	249
KJP	172
KWP	54
Total	475

6. REPORT ON LAC WALK-IN CLINIC

Prepared by LAC Secretariat

The Legal Aid Centre Clinic (LAC Walk-in Clinic) is one of the programmes set up by the Bar Council Legal Aid Centre (KL) ("BCLAC (KL)"), to provide free legal advice to the public at large and legal representation for certain areas of law. It operates at the KL Legal Aid Centre and is open to the public from Monday to Friday, 10.00 am to 5.00 pm.

A total of 25 pupils are allocated for each batch to help the Centre in carrying out the programme.

Pupils are given training before they commence their duties at the LAC Clinic. Pupils are trained on the proper steps to conduct the means test and the necessary soft skills required to interview clients. These pupils will extract information from clients and then refer to LAC volunteer lawyers for their further instruction.

Given the limited areas of law that the Centre covers, clients are referred to various organisations or body as and when needed. The pupils assist in conducting intervention, such as accompanying the clients to police stations and other government bodies and organisations.

Apart from the above, the LAC Clinic has also conducted several outreach programmes to bring awareness to society on law and their rights. As part of the outreach programme the BCLAC (KL) has also been invited to give several talks on law by Astro.

7. REPORT ON SYARIAH WALK-IN CLINIC

Prepared by LAC Secretariat

The Syariah Walk-in Clinic is handled by pupils with the supervision of senior Syariah lawyers. Pupils are trained by experienced Syariah lawyers in an interactive manner.

The Syariah Walk-in Clinic is conducted at the Secretariat of the Legal Aid Centre and open to public from Monday to Friday from 10:00 am to 4:30 pm. The Clinic mainly offers advice to clients as cases for representation are normally referred to the Legal Aid Department.

8. REPORT ON LAC/AWAM/WAO/SIS CLINIC

Prepared by LAC Secretariat

Project Head

Harleen Kaur

The KL LAC works in partnership with All Women's Action Society (AWAM)/Women's Aid Organisation (WAO) and Sisters In Islam (SIS) to provide legal assistance to vulnerable group of women who need legal assistance. These organisations primarily deal with various issues affecting women such as domestic violence, divorce proceeding, child custody, etc. SIS is more focused towards issues affecting Muslim women while AWAM and WAO deal with issues affecting women regardless of their religion.

PROGRAMME	BATCH 91	BATCH 92	BATCH 93	TOTAL
AWAM	2	2	2	6
WAO	4	4	5	13
SIS	2	2	3	7
Total	8	8	10	26

Table 1: Number of pupils for each Batch

A total of four batches of pupils were assigned to AWAM, WAO and SIS respectively between January to October 2017. The number of pupils assigned to the various organisations is summarised in the table above.

WAO was allocated the highest number of pupils followed by SIS and AWAM. The numbers of pupils are allocated to the various NGOs according to the number of duty days as well number of clients seen by the respective NGO.

PROGRAMME	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT
AWAM	28	26	35	14	23	15	13	14	6	19
WAO	34	32	47	16	31	32	37	31	34	62
SIS	50	45	52	44	52	44	65	64	39	54

Table 2: Number of clients handled each month by each NGO

PROGRAMME	TOTAL CLIENTS
AWAM	193
WAO	356
SIS	514

Table 3: Total number of clients handled by each NGO from January-October 2017

SIS handled highest number of clients (514 clients) followed by WAO (356 clients) and AWAM (193 clients). The pupils provided legal advice to clients who walked in and called in to the NGO's office. They also assisted in conducting research on cases and development of law. The pupils' work was not confined to the office and occasionally they accompanied clients to police stations, immigration centres and hospitals.

The pupils had to undergo training before starting their duty in the respective NGO. Pupils were introduced to their job scope and trained on laws which were relevant to their duty in the respective NGO. During the seventh week of each batch, a Mid-Term Review was conducted where the pupils shared their experiences and also any shortcomings they faced during their legal aid duty. The representatives from each NGO also gave feedback regarding the performance of the pupils. Overall the pupils and NGO representatives were satisfied with LAC/AWAM/WAO/SIS clinic

The KLLAC had conducted a series of meeting with the NGO individually to touch base with them and reevaluate the current programme. The meeting were held as 4th October 2017 with AWAM, represented by Lee Wei San and Louise, on 9th October 2017 with WAO, represented by Charlene and Erica, and 10th October 2017 with SIS represented by Shazarina.

9. REPORT ON LAC/TENAGANITA CLINIC

Prepared by LAC Secretariat

Project Head

Harleen Kaur

Tenaganita is a non-governmental organisation which aims to protect migrants, refugees, women and children from exploitation, abuse, and human trafficking. The KL LAC works together with Tenaganita by providing pupils to Tenaganita.

Prior to their duty in Tenaganita, the pupils undergo a two-day training to equip them with the necessary skills for their duty in Tenaganita. The pupils are trained in relevant laws and other soft skills such as communication skills, interviewing and negotiation skills.

Four batches of pupils were allocated to Tenaganita from January to October 2017. Table 1 summarises the number of pupils allocated to Tenaganita for each batch. It could be seen during Batch 93, there was a rise in the number of pupils assigned to Tenaganita. This was due to the fact that the total number of pupils who signed up for legal aid duty during Batch 93 was more than expected.

BATCH	91	92	93
Number of Pupils	20	20	30

Table 1: Number of pupils for each Batch

MONTH	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	TOTAL
No of Client	362	301	341	319	294	292	549	478	407	405	3,748

Table 2: Number of clients seen each month

From January till October 2017, Tenaganita handled 3,748 cases. The pupils handled a variety of issues. They take on cases with different parties such as the police force, immigration department, labour office and the Courts. The pupils are constantly monitored by case officers who guide and assist the pupils during their duty in Tenaganita. The pupils are also involved in documentation of cases which also involves compilation of all evidences and relevant documents to the case. They assist in drafting settlement agreements, letters, and police reports and follow up reports on the cases that they have handled. Overall, they play a proactive role in negotiating with employers, agents and government officials till the case is resolved.

During the seventh week of each batch the pupils attend a mid-term review conducted at the KL LAC office. The pupils are given a chance to raise any issues they face during their duty and to suggest and make any improvements in regard to their duty in Tenaganita. This also serves as a platform for representatives from Tenaganita to give feedback to the pupils with regard to their duty in Tenaganita.

The pupils and Tenaganita have been very happy with this programme. Many pupils continued to volunteer and give assistance to Tenaganita even after their pupillage ended.

10. REPORT ON UNITED NATIONS HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR REFUGEES (UNHCR) CLINIC

Prepared by LAC Secretariat

Project Head

Harleen Kaur

United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR) is an agency of the United Nations which is mandated to support and protect refugees in Malaysia. UNHCR helps to register asylum seekers determine their refugee status and finally finds a host country to resettle the refugees.

The KL LAC assists UNHCR by providing pupils to UNHCR.

BATCH	91	92	93
Number of Pupils	20	20	20

Table 1: Number of pupils for each Batch

Three batches of pupils were assigned to UNHCR from January to October 2017.

A total of 20 pupils were allocated to UNHCR during each batch.

MONTH	NUMBER OF CLIENT
January	158
February	182
March	132
April	156
May	213
June	134
July	172
August	155
September	85
October	155
Total	1,542

Table 2: Number of clients seen each month

A total of 1,542 clients were assisted by the pupils between January to October 2017. Clients went to UNHCR with various problems such as marital problem, domestic violence, robbery, wrongful detention, UNHCR card being stolen etc. The pupils interviewed the clients, recorded their finding and passed it to UNHCR officers for further action. Pupils also followed UNHCR officer to detention centre to seek release of refugees in detention centres.

The pupils underwent whole day training in UNHCR prior to the commencement of their duty in UNHCR. During the training the pupils were trained on laws relating to refugees and migrants. They were also trained on other skills such as documentation, and interviewing skill which were relevant for their duty in UNHCR. At the seventh week of each batch, the pupils had to attend a midterm review where they gave feedback of their duty and any improvement which can be made to the UNHCR-KLLAC Clinic. During the midterm review, representatives from UNHCR also gave feedback to the pupils about their duty in UNHCR.

The UNHCR-KLLAC Clinic was able to provide assistance to UNHCR in carrying out their daily work and also to provide insights to pupils of the problem faced by refugees in Malaysia.

11. REPORT ON LAC-MTUC

Prepared by LAC Secretariat

Discriminatory and non-payment of wages, cancellation of work permits and unsafe working conditions are but some of the few problems faced by workers in various sectors in Malaysia. Although there are various rights and forms of protection accorded to workers in general through the National Acts, the process of obtaining the legal remedies may take a long time which may further exacerbate the circumstances of these workers.

Acknowledging that there is general lack of assistance rendered to workers concerning labour rights violations, in particular involving migrant workers, the KL LAC has collaborated with MTUC to create a new legal aid clinic this year; the LAC-MTUC Clinic. MTUC is a federation of trade unions, with its objectives, inter alia, to improve the economic and social conditions of workers. MTUC activities are geared to promote equality, improve living standards of workers and create a better and safer working environment.

The LAC-MTUC Clinic kicked off this year with 10 pupils for the first batch assisting MTUC at their premise on the various issues faced by employees. The numbers of pupils gradually increase to 15 for the second batch and twenty (20) pupils for the third batch. This move was made as a result of positive feedback given by our pupils on this programme and the request from MTUC to increase the number of pupils. We are confident that our pupils who signed up for this legal aid clinic are now sensitised over the issues of employee rights violations, Malaysians and foreigners alike and we hope that more pupils can advocate for their rights in the near future.

12. REPORT ON ATTACHMENT PROGRAMME

Prepared by LAC Secretariat

The Attachment Programme under Bar Council Legal Aid Centre (KL) (BCLAC (KL)) allows law students from various colleges and universities to participate in different legal aid programmes run by KLLAC with the aim of helping them achieve their full potential as well-rounded, capable lawyers in the future.

Throughout the attachment period, students are given the opportunity to participate in various programmes organised by the Legal Aid Centre such as:-

- (a) the Legal Aid Centre ("LAC") Clinic, where pupils-in-chambers conduct interviews for distressed clients and provide legal advice to assist them in making informed decisions;
- (b) the Dock Brief Programme, where pupils-in-chambers conduct mitigation and bail applications on behalf of defendants who have pleaded guilty;
- (c) the Prisons Programme, where pupils-in-chambers conduct interviews with prisoners; and
- (d) other programmes run in collaboration with Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) such as the All Women's Action Society Malaysia ("AWAM"), Women's Aid Organisation ("WAO"), Sisters in Islam ("SIS"), United Nation High Commissioner for Refugees ("UNHCR") and Tenaganita where pupils observe client interviews and assist in other administrative tasks.

In addition to these programmes, the attachment students are also expected to be involved in the day-to-day management of the programmes and attend various trainings conducted by BCLAC (KL). Attachment students have the option to participate in the Attachment Programme for as short as a week or for up to two months. At the end of the Attachment Programme, students will be awarded a Certificate of Completion from BCLAC (KL).

13. REPORT ON YAYASAN BANTUAN GUAMAN KEBANGSAAN (YBGK)

Prepared by LAC Secretariat

Introduction

Being in its fifth year, YBGK has till date provided free legal assistance to myriads of both Malaysia citizens and non-citizens below the age of 18 who were being remanded at police stations and also those who were charged in Court for various criminal offences. A means test is applied on those who seek representation at trials and appeals whereby the client must have a salary of less than RM36,000 per year. The YBGK is facilitated by the Bar Council YBGK Steering Committee and supported by the Bar Council YBGK Secretariat located at the KL LAC. The existing Bar Council State Legal Aid Centres also act as the offices of the State YBGK.

With regard to the issue of non-payment of YBGK lawyers, between February and April 2017, some of the KL LAC staff, Steering Committee Members and volunteer lawyers were seconded to the YBGK HQ to help clear the backlog of claims made by YBGK lawyers in both East and West Malaysia.

YBGK Statistics

YBGK Kuala Lumpur covers five IPDs and one IPK. The five IPDs are Dang Wangi, Brickfields, Cheras, Putrajaya and Sentul. YBGK Kuala Lumpur also covers three Remand Courts in Jinjang, Dang Wangi and Putrajaya.

In the past 10 months (January to October 2017), YBGK lawyers from KL LAC have attended to 10,855 persons at Remand Courts. The lawyers have also assisted 32 persons who were charged and needed assistance with mitigation and bail applications.

In addition, 302 criminal files have been opened and assigned to YBGK lawyers during the same period.

YBGK Training for Lawyers

A total of 10 YBGK Training for Lawyers was carried out in both East and West Malaysia for the year 2017. In the year 2015, assessment test was included as part of YBGK Training. This has proven to be effective as only lawyers who are keen on YBGK programme sign up for the training and pass the test. These lawyers will later be registered as qualified YBGK lawyers. The Part 3 of the YBGK Training which consists of criminal defence advocacy has also been extended to a two-days training with more intensive training, interactions and group presentations. As of 2017, a total of 2,538 lawyers are registered as YBGK lawyers from both West and East Malaysia.

YBGK Pupils Programmes

YBGK Pupils Programme was introduced in 2013 due to the extensive scope and educational experience provided by the YBGK programme. Under this programme, the pupils are exposed to various aspects of criminal law and proceedings.

The pupils assist with interviewing clients, legal interventions work, monitoring at the Remand Courts and police stations and administrative duties. The pupils are also required to carry out research on various aspects of the criminal justice system and make proposals and recommendations for law reform.

Each batch of this programme consists of about 15 to 20 pupils. The pupils are briefed about YBGK and trained in criminal law and proceedings.

Secretariat for YBGK

The KL LAC as an initiating party of the YBGK programme also finds itself in a coordinating position in relation to several aspects of the YBGK programme. The KL LAC acts as a secretariat for YBGK, in liaising with other State LACs mainly for policy, administrative and training purposes.

The KL LAC also networks with relevant authorities and departments to ensure the smooth running of the YBGK programme.

The KL LAC also liaises with the YBGK office which is currently in KLRCA in terms of registration of YBGK lawyers, the checking of claims and payments to lawyers and the implementation of standard operation procedures.

Conclusion

The YBGK programme officially commenced on 2 April 2012 and has been in operation for about five years and it is an ongoing developing project. From a situation where 80% of people were not represented in the Magistrates' Courts, today thousands of people facing criminal proceedings daily in Kuala Lumpur and other States are assisted by the YBGK Programme.

Overall, YBGK has brought significant shift to the Criminal Legal System. It provides a comprehensive and sustainable legal aid programme for those encountering the criminal justice system.

14. REPORT ON THAI LEGAL AID SCHEME (T-CLAS) PROGRAMME

Prepared by LAC Secretariat

The poor in their contact with the legal system have always been on the wrong side of the law. They have always come across "law for the poor" rather than "law of the poor". The law is regarded by them as something mysterious and forbidding-always taking something away from them and not as a positive and constructive social device for changing the socio economic order and improving their life conditions by conferring rights and benefits on them. The result is that the legal system has lost its credibility for the weaker sections of the community. It is, therefore, necessary to inject equal justice into legality and that can be done only by a dynamic and activist scheme of legal services.

Hussainara Khatoon and other v Home Secretary, State of Bihar AIR 1979 SC 1377

The Bar Council Legal Aid Centre (KL) (BCLAC (KL)) has always believed in providing representations to all persons without regard to their race, religion, nationality or distinction of any kind. The National Legal Aid Foundation (YBGK) was one such scheme where it has seen lawyers breathing life into the promise of Article 5 of the Federal Constitution that every person arrested is entitled to legal representation. However, as YBGK was limited to providing legal representation in criminal matters to only Malaysian citizens and all persons below the age of 18 years old, adult foreigners who otherwise cannot afford legal representation could not avail themselves to this scheme.

The BCLAC (KL) has been advocating for an additional scheme to complement, inter alia, the YBGK scheme. Whilst our volunteer lawyers at the BCLAC (KL) have at the forefront volunteered their time and energy to represent clients on a myriad of issues without any payment and more often having to fork out of pocket expenses, it is necessary, for sustainability, to have a comprehensive scheme to ensure the bulk of aggrieved parties are adequately represented.

Against this backdrop, this year, the BCLAC (KL) has collaborated with the Royal Thai Embassy to provide free legal representation to Thai nationals in Malaysia where the Royal Thai Embassy will provide funding in respect of the costs and expenses related to the scheme. As this is a first initiative, parties have entered into a six (6) month agreement to set out the mechanics and payment rates for effectively carrying out this scheme. The agreement was executed between the parties on 9 November 2017.

Amongst other, this scheme will see free legal representation rendered by our trained lawyers on the following areas of law -

- (a) Criminal Law;
- (b) Immigration Law; and
- (c) Family Law.

Apart from the above, the BCLAC (KL) received positive feedback from the Royal Thai Embassy in the previous programmes conducted by the BCLAC (KL) for the Thai people in Malaysia primarily in the area of family law.

The BCLAC (KL) looks forward to building a close working relationship with the Royal Thai Embassy and expansion of the services in the coming years. Substantial work needs to be done and the BCLAC (KL) is certainly proud that much has been accomplished within this short period of time.

It is also the hope of the BCLAC (KL) that with the coming of this scheme, more Embassies will come forward to forge a similar scheme with the BCLAC (KL) so that we will be able to represent all foreigners ensnared within the justice system.

15. REPORT ON URGENT ARREST PROGRAMME

Prepared by LAC Secretariat

The KL LAC provides urgent arrest assistance for various gatherings held by various organisations. The organisers of the gatherings would make a formal request to the KL LAC seeking assistance and the KL LAC would then mobilise lawyers to be on standby during the gathering.

The assistance provided by the KL LAC includes going to police station and providing legal assistance to those who are arrested pending their remand and also representation during the remand hearing of arrested person.

The KL LAC received a total of four requests for urgent arrest assistance from January to November 2017.

The first request came from a group of NGOs comprising Bersih 4.0, Suaram for urgent arrest assistance during the "Reject Hadi Bill Gathering" held on 18 February 2017. The second request came from SUARAM for urgent arrest assistance for "May Day Gathering" held on 1 May 2017. The third request came from a group of Women NGOs for "Wanita Bantah Politik Toksik Gathering" held on 10 September 2017. The last request came from a group of NGOs for the "Himpunan Sayangi Malaysia, Hapus Kleptokrasi Gathering" held on 14 October 2017.

During all the gatherings, no arrest took place and the lawyers did not have to provide any representation during arrest or remand. All the lawyers were just on standby. It could be seen from the gathering held throughout the year, the police have abstained from arresting the participants.

LAPORAN Pengerusi

(SETAKAT 31 DISEMBER 2017)

A. PENGENALAN

lanya adalah satu penghormatan dan keistimewaan bagi saya berkhidmat sebagai Pengerusi Bar Kuala Lumpur tahun ini. Jawatankuasa Bar Kuala Lumpur ("KLBC"), Sekretariat dan Jawatankuasa-jawatankuasa kecil telah bekerja keras meneruskan 25 tahun yang penuh bersejarah membawa suara profesion undang-undang yang diterapkan dengan perkhidmatan kepada ahli-ahlinya.

Kami mengucapkan terima kasih kepada ahli-ahli atas sokongan dan penghargaan yang diberikan kepada KLBC. Galakkan anda memberi kami keyakinan tambahan untuk melaksanakan pelbagai projek-projek kami, seperti yang diperinci di bawah.

B. SETIAUSAHA KEHORMAT DAN AHLI-AHLI YANG DI LANTIK

Dalam mesyuarat pertama pada 9 Mac 2017, KLBC telah melantik Muhendaran Suppiah sebagai Setiausaha Kehormat. KLBC juga melantik Collin Arvind Andrew dan Alex Anton Netto sebagai ahli-ahli KLBC di bawah Seksyen 73(vii) Akta Profesion Undang-Undang 1976.

C. AKTIVITI-AKTIVITI KLBC

i) Laporan Aktiviti-aktiviti Bulanan dan penyampaian maklumat kepada ahli -ahli

KLBC terus memaklumkan ahli-ahli berkenaan aktiviti-aktivitinya melalui laporan aktiviti bulanan yang dimuat naik ke Blog Bar KL. Kami juga terus mengekalkan penggunaan twitter dan facebook sebagai saluran tambahan untuk menyampaikan maklumat kepada ahli selain daripada e-makluman biasa.

ii) Perjumpaan Tahunan antara KLBC dan Jawatankuasa Bar Selangor ("SBC")

Dihoskan oleh SBC pada penggal ini, Perjumpaan Tahunan antara KLBC dan SBC telah diadakan pada 21 April 2017 di Merchant Gold Suite, Hotel Armada Petaling Jaya. Perjumpaan Tahunan ini bertujuan untuk membolehkan pemegang jawatan baru dari kedua-dua KLBC dan SBC untuk mengenali antara satu sama lain dan mencari jalan untuk kerjasama untuk memenuhi keperluan bersama ahli-ahli Bar Kuala Lumpur dan Bar Selangor. Seperti pada masa lalu, perjumpaan ini pasti meningkatkan dan memperkukuhkan hubungan baik yang sedia ada antara KLBC dan SBC.

iii) Makan Malam Penghargaan

Makan Malam Penghargaan akan diadakan pada 9 Februari 2018 untuk semua ahli dan bukan ahli Bar yang telah mengorbankan masa mereka untuk Bar Kuala Lumpur tanpa mementingkan diri sendiri. Para sukarelawan ini telah menyumbang dengan memberi taklimat, menyampaikan atau moderasi seminar-seminar/bengel-bengkel, mewakili KLBC semasa Upacara Penerimaan Masuk Peguambela dan Peguamcara Mahkamah Tinggi Malaya, menganggotai jawatankuasa-jawatankuasa kecil dan memberikan sebarang bantuan lain kepada KLBC.

iv) Bengkel mengenai Cara Memohon Sijil Tahunan 2018

Untuk membiasakan ahli-ahli dengan Permohonan Atas Talian untuk Sijil Tahunan dan Sijil Amalan yang telah dilaksanakan oleh Majlis Peguam mulai 3 Julai 2017 sejajar dengan sistem e-Kehakiman (Fasa 2), KLBC telah menjadi hos bengkel di atas yang dianjurkan oleh Majlis Peguam pada 28 September 2017 di Auditorium Bar Kuala Lumpur.

v) Lawatan Persatuan Undang-Undang Korporat Universiti Erasmus Rotterdam, Belanda

KLBC menjadi hos kepada sekumpulan 17 pelajar dan seorang pensyarah dari Persatuan Undang-Undang Korporat Universiti Erasmus Rotterdam, Belanda pada 13 April 2017 di pejabat Majlis Peguam. Para pelajar sedang menjalani lawatan belajar yang termasuk projek Penyelidikan Undang-Undang Korporat di mana mereka membandingkan Undang-undang Korporat Malaysia dengan Undang-undang Korporat Belanda mereka sendiri.

vi) **Program Penajaan**

- KLBC menaja dua ahli muda untuk ***Kem Litigasi Strategik NYLC-MCCHR 2017*** yang diadakan dari 7 hingga 10 September 2017 di Port Dickson. Anjuran bersama Jawatankuasa Peguam Muda Kebangsaan (“NYLC”) dan Pusat Perlembagaan dan Hak Asasi Manusia Malaysia (“MCCHR”), kem ini bertujuan untuk mengukuhkan keupayaan peguam untuk melaksanakan litigasi kepentingan awam untuk kemajuan hak asasi manusia.
- Bagi menyokong ***Pertandingan Perbicaraan Mahkamah Olok-Olok Peringkat Kebangsaan 2017*** yang dianjurkan bersama oleh Majlis Peguam, Dewan Bahasa dan Universiti Sains Islam Malaysia, KLBC menaja satu pasukan untuk menyertai pertandingan yang diadakan pada 11 dan 12 November 2017. Objektif pertandingan ini adalah untuk meningkatkan penggunaan Bahasa Melayu sebagai bahasa rasmi dalam bidang kehakiman dan perundangan di negara ini. Ia juga bertujuan meningkatkan kecekapan bahasa Melayu di kalangan peguam muda, pelatih dalam kamar dan pelajar undang-undang Universiti Awam dan Institusi Pengajian Tinggi Swasta.
- KLBC menaja dua ahli untuk menghadiri Persidangan Peguam Wanita yang diadakan pada 16 November 2017. Dianjurkan bersama oleh Majlis Peguam dan Persatuan Peguam Wanita, matlamat persidangan yang bertajuk ***“Meningkatkan Kepimpinan dan Kemahiran Prestasi untuk Peguam Wanita”*** adalah untuk meneroka bagaimana untuk meningkatkan kepimpinan dan kemahiran prestasi untuk peguam wanita, dengan mengambil kira bahawa mereka mungkin mempunyai motivasi yang unik dan aspirasi profesional, dan menghadapi cabaran yang berbeza di tempat kerja.

vii) **Acara-acara Lain**

Selain dari menyertai berbagai acara-acara anjuran Majlis Peguam, KLBC juga turut menyertai acara-acara berikut atas jemputan Badan-badan yang berkenaan:

- **Institut Latihan Kehakiman dan Perundangan (ILKAP)**
ILKAP Speaker Series: Semakan Kehakiman – Pengalaman Malaysia pada 19 Mei 2017
- **Mahkamah Kuala Lumpur**
Jamuan Tahunan pada 19 Julai 2017
- **LexisNexis Malaysia**
Sambutan Ulang Tahun Ke-85 bagi Malayan Law Journal pada 26 Julai 2017
- **Lembaga Pembiayaan Perumahan Sektor Awam (LPPSA)**
Sambutan Hari Integriti LPPSA pada 15 November 2017
- **Ahmad Ibrahim Kulliyah Undang-undang (AIKOL), Universiti Islam Antarabangsa Malaysia**
“Inaugural AIKOL’s Graduating Students International Business and Dining Etiquette Training Dinner” pada 21 November 2017
- **The Economic Times**
“2nd Edition of the Asian Business Leaders Conclave” pada 29 and 30 November 2017

viii) Mesyuarat KLBC

Sehingga 31 Disember 2017, KLBC telah bermesyuarat sebanyak 10 kali dan kehadiran setiap ahli adalah seperti berikut:

Goh Siu Lin	- 10
Muhendaran Suppiah	- 10
Alvin Oh Seong Yew	- 10
Vivekananda Sukumaran	- 8
Shashi Devan Thalmalingam	- 8
Foong Cheng Leong	- 10
Nik Elin Zurina bt Nik Abdul Rashid	- 9
Jacky Loi Yap Loong	- 10
New Sin Yew	- 10
Atan Mustaffa Yussof Ahmad	- 10
Chen Yu Szen	- 8
Collin Arvind Andrew	- 8
Alex Anton Netto	- 5

Khaizan Sharizad Ab Razak, wakil Bar Kuala Lumpur ke Majlis Peguam, di jemput untuk menghadiri mesyuarat-mesyuarat KLBC sebagai pemerhati dan juga untuk melaporkan kepada Majlis Peguam tentang perkara-perkara yang berkaitan apabila diperlukan. Beliau telah menghadiri mesyuarat sebanyak sembilan (9) kali dan bekerja rapat dengan KLBC.

ix) Kewangan, Yuran Tahunan dan Pendapatan bukan Yuran Tahunan

Kedudukan kewangan KLBC kekal sihat dan stabil dengan sejumlah RM1,870,024 dalam Simpanan Tetap. Butiran mengenai kedudukan kewangan dinyatakan dalam Akaun yang telah diaudit berakhir pada 31 Disember 2017.

Yuran Tahunan bagi tahun 2017 telah ditetapkan pada RM125 di Mesyuarat Agung Tahunan yang lepas pada 23 Februari 2017. Pada penutupan tahun kewangan KLBC pada 31 Disember 2017, terdapat 181 ahli masih belum menjelaskan Yuran Tahun 2016.

Penggal ini, KLBC berjaya mengumpul sejumlah RM251,956 daripada penajaan, pengiklanan di laman sesawang dan surat berita, seminar-seminar dan ceramah-ceramah anjuran PDC dan jawatankuasa-jawatankuasa kecil yang lain.

D. JAWATANKUASA-JAWATANKUASA KECIL

KLBC mengekalkan 10 jawatankuasa-jawatankuasa kecil dari penggal sebelumnya, menamakan Jawatankuasa Amalan Sivil sebagai Jawatankuasa Amalan Sivil dan Perhubungan Mahkamah dan Jawatankuasa Sosial, Kesenian dan Kebudayaan sebagai Jawatankuasa Rekreasi, Sosial dan Kebudayaan. Dua jawatankuasa kecil baru juga ditubuhkan iaitu Jawatankuasa Kesaksamaan Jantina & Diversiti dan Jawatankuasa Firma-Firma Kecil & Hal Ehwal Pengamal.

Jawatankuasa Kesaksamaan Jantina dan Diversiti ditubuhkan untuk memimpin pembangunan dan pelaksanaan inisiatif yang direka untuk (i) menyokong budaya tempat kerja tanpa-diskriminasi di Bar; (ii) mengenal pasti dan berusaha untuk menangani halangan dan kecenderungan tanpa sedar yang dihadapi oleh ahli-ahli berdasarkan jantina, orientasi seksual atau ketidakupayaan yang mungkin menghalang kesamaan peluang; (iii) mendidik ahli-ahli tentang amalan kesamarataan dan kepelbagaian yang terbaik melalui pembangunan modul-modul latihan pengenalan dan latihan lanjutan.

Jawatankuasa Firma-firma Kecil dan Hal Ehwal Pengamal telah dibentuk dengan tujuan untuk menangani isu 'punca pendapatan' yang dihadapi oleh pengamal undang-undang di Kuala Lumpur; meneroka peluang untuk menyelaraskan unsur perniagaan menjadi amalan undang-undang; bekerja untuk membawa firma kecil (lima (5) pengamal dan ke bawah) ke dalam era Teknologi Maklumat; mencari jalan untuk memperbaiki keadaan kerja pengamal undang-undang di Kuala Lumpur.

12 Jawatankuasa-jawatankuasa dan pengerusi adalah:

- i) Jawatankuasa Amalan Sivil dan Perhubungan Mahkamah**
Muhendaran Suppiah
Vivekananda Sukumaran
- ii) Jawatankuasa Amalan Konveyansing dan Korporat**
Jacky Loi Yap Loong
- iii) Jawatankuasa Amalan Jenayah**
Shashi Devan Thalmalingam
- iv) Jawatankuasa Kesaksamaan Jantina dan Diversiti**
Goh Siu Lin
- v) Jawatankuasa Teknologi Maklumat dan Penerbitan**
Foong Cheng Leong
- vi) Jawatankuasa Pembangunan Professional**
Atan Mustaffa Yussof Ahmad
- vii) Jawatankuasa Pelatih Dalam Kamar**
Alvin Oh Seong Yew
- viii) Jawatankuasa Firma-firma Kecil dan Hal Ehwal Pengamal**
Alex Anton Netto
- ix) Jawatankuasa Rekreasi, Sosial dan Kebudayaan**
Nik Elin Zurina bt Nik Abdul Rashid
- x) Jawatankuasa Sukan**
Chen Yu Szen
- xi) Jawatankuasa Peguam Muda**
New Sin Yew
- xii) Bantuan Guaman**
Collin Arvind Andrew

Laporan-laporan jawatankuasa-jawatankuasa kecil yang disertakan merupakan gambaran aktiviti-aktiviti yang dilaksanakan oleh jawatankuasa-jawatankuasa kecil. Laporan terperinci mengenai aktiviti-aktiviti ini terdapat dalam laporan jawatankuasa kecil masing-masing tetapi yang berikut harus di nyatakan:

- **Tempat Letak Kereta untuk Wanita Hamil**
Jawatankuasa Amalan Sivil dan Perhubungan Mahkamah mesti dipuji kerana usaha mereka memperoleh dari Pentadbiran Mahkamah Kuala Lumpur dua daripada lima tempat letak kereta bagi orang kurang upaya yang dikhasakan untuk wanita hamil khususnya, peguam.
- **“Tales from the Bar”**
Pujian kepada Jawatankuasa Amalan Sivil dan Perhubungan Mahkamah untuk perjumpaan sosial dengan konsep “stand-up” komik novel. Tetamu-tetamu Jemputan dengan sukacitanya berkongsi cerita-cerita mereka yang menghiburkan namun berwawasan tentang pengalaman mereka di Bar. Acara ini mendapat sambutan yang sangat baik.

- **Modul Diversiti dan Inklusi**
 Jawatankuasa Kesaksamaan Jantina dan Diversiti pada Disember 2017 telah melancarkan modul percubaan pertama mengenai “Diversiti dan Inklusi” sebagai sebahagian daripada Pengenalan Pelatih Dalam Kamar bulanan KLBC. Adalah penting bagi pelatih-pelatih untuk memahami dan mengenal pasti diskriminasi supaya mereka lebih dapat mengaitkan dengan kepekaan yang lebih tinggi dengan rakan-rakan, orang atasan dan pelanggan untuk persekitaran kerja yang lebih baik. Pencerahan yang lebih mendalam mengenai persilangan diskriminasi dan penerapan undang-undang juga membawa kepada peningkatan perkhidmatan undang-undang untuk pelanggan.
- **Pelaksanaan sistem e-Tanah di Pejabat Tanah Wilayah**
 Jawatankuasa Amalan Konveyansing dan Korporat harus dipuji untuk mengambil tugas sukar menyaring permintaan segera dari ahli-ahli untuk mendapatkan dokumen hakmilik mereka untuk di tukar ganti ke bentuk digital dan menghantar senarai harian hakmilik segera ke Pejabat Tanah Wilayah untuk penukaran semasa tempoh peralihan Pejabat Tanah Wilayah sedang dalam proses menukar semua hakmilik ke e-hakmilik.
- **Mengekalkan sejarah Bar Malaysia dan Bar Kuala Lumpur**
 Kredit mesti diberikan kepada Jawatankuasa Teknologi Maklumat dan Penerbitan untuk memulakan projek untuk mewawancara ahli-ahli kanan Bar untuk merekodkan cerita-cerita anekdot dan kepingan sejarah guaman kita yang akan diterbitkan di Laman Sesawang / Blog Bar KL.
- **Mengarkib gambar-gambar aktiviti-aktiviti lalu Bar Kuala Lumpur**
 Kredit mesti sekali lagi diberikan kepada Jawatankuasa Teknologi Maklumat dan Penerbitan untuk mengimbas dan mengarkibkan pada Flickr lebih daripada 1,700 gambar aktiviti-aktiviti Bar Kuala Lumpur yang diadakan dari 1980 hingga 2007. Projek ini masih berterusan.
- **Kerjasama dengan Grab**
 Jawatankuasa Teknologi Maklumat dan Penerbitan telah berusaha keras untuk mendapatkan kadar istimewa untuk ahli-ahli dengan penyedia perkhidmatan pengangkutan Grab - untuk perjalanan ke Mahkamah-mahkamah dalam Lembah Klang dan untuk ke mesyuarat-mesyuarat.
- **Program Pembangunan Profesional**
 Tahniah kepada Jawatankuasa Pembangunan Profesional untuk satu penggal lagi yang berjaya dengan berbagai program pembangunan profesional yang dianjurkan meliputi gabungan topik-topik yang sangat menarik.
- **Makan Malam Gala Jubli Perak**
 Makan Malam Gala “Nostalgia” Jubli Perak diadakan untuk meraikan kejayaan gemilang - 25 tahun Bar Kuala Lumpur! Tahniah kepada Jawatankuasa Rekreasi, Sosial dan Kebudayaan untuk semua usaha keras dan usaha gigih di sebalik tabir untuk menjadikannya malam yang istimewa dan kenangan manis untuk semua.
- **Program Khidmat Komuniti**
 Projek yang harus dipuji anjuran Jawatankuasa Rekreasi, Sosial dan kebudayaan dengan kerjasama Persatuan Kebajikan Suriana, Wanita Wibawa, Majlis Kebajikan Kanak-Kanak Malaysia dan Drop & Wash. Klinik bantuan guaman percuma dengan aktiviti-aktiviti lain seperti Bengkel Bahasa Inggeris, Bengkel Mempertahanan Diri, Memanah dan Program Mentor-Mentee Bersama SME telah diadakan di Taman Tasik Dato Keramat, Kuala Lumpur dengan matlamat membantu anak muda yang kurang berkemampuan di kawasan tersebut.
- **Jamuan Teh Silatul Rahim**
 Sebutan khas mesti juga dibuat tentang Jawatankuasa Rekreasi, Sosial dan Kebudayaan yang telah menganjurkan satu acara “teetotaller” Bar Kuala Lumpur dengan tetamu jemputan, Azhar Harun a.k.a Art Harun.
- **Buka Puasa dengan gelandangan di SEED**
 Dalam semangat bulan suci Ramadhan, Jawatankuasa Rekreasi, Sosial dan Kebudayaan bersama dengan Pertubuhan Pembangunan Kebajikan dan Persekitaran Positif Malaysia (SEED) mengadakan acara berbuka berpuasa dengan komuniti gelandangan, orang yang hidup dan terjejas dengan HIV dan transgender di pejabat SEED di Jalan Tiong Nam, Kuala Lumpur. Usaha yang benar-benar mulia oleh Jawatankuasa Rekreasi, Sosial dan Kebudayaan.

- **Sukan Bar Tripartit**
Sukan Bar Tripartit antara Bar Malaysia, Persatuan Peguambela Sarawak dan Pertubuhan Undang-Undang Sabah telah diadakan di Kuala Lumpur tahun ini dan Bar Kuala Lumpur diberi keistimewaan menganjurkan Sukan sempena Perayaan Ulang Tahun ke-25 kami. Acara ini sangat berjaya, terima kasih kepada kelolaan hebat oleh Jawatankuasa Sukan.
- **Pertandingan Bola Sepak 7-Sebelah Piala Peringatan Thayalan**
Jawatankuasa Sukan juga harus dipuji untuk menghidupkan semula Pertandingan Bola Sepak 7-Sebelah Piala Peringatan Thayalan selepas 11 tahun. Pertandingan ini telah menarik 14 pasukan termasuk dua pasukan wanita.
- **Larian Bar Kuala Lumpur 2018**
Satu acara utama Bar Kuala Lumpur, Larian Bar Kuala Lumpur yang keempat dijadualkan akan diadakan pada 21 Januari 2018 di Taman Tasik Perdana. Seramai 130 pasukan dengan 520 pelari telah mendaftar untuk acara ini. Tahniah kepada Jawatankuasa Sukan untuk kerja yang baik.

Tahun ini, Larian Bar Kuala Lumpur telah bekerjasama dengan Care2Run - program mentor sukan untuk belia berusia 8-18 tahun dengan tumpuan khusus kepada kanak-kanak dengan keperluan pembelajaran yang lebih tinggi yang berasal dari latar belakang ekonomi sosial yang berbeza. Ia adalah satu program untuk memupuk perpaduan sosial dan perkhidmatan komuniti yang bermakna melalui sukan. Ahli-ahli telah menyumbangkan barangan lama sukan mereka yang disayangi untuk menyokong program sukan ini yang menghubungkan masyarakat, senaman dan alam semula jadi.
- **Malam Amal 2017**
Sekali lagi Jawatankuasa Peguam Muda berjaya menganjurkan acara ini dan berjaya mengumpulkan dana yang melebihi RM40,000 untuk manfaat Persatuan Klef Bibir dan Lelangit Malaysia (CLAPAM).
- **Buka Puasa dengan Pelarian Islam Rohingya dan Myanmar**
Jawatankuasa Peguam Muda menganjurkan acara Buka Puasa dengan Pelarian Islam Rohingya dan Myanmar di Bantuan Kemanusiaan Selangor (dahulunya dikenali sebagai MyWelfare Centre) di Selayang dan berjaya mengumpul sumbangan sebanyak RM2,710 untuk acara tersebut.

E. OBITUARI

KLBC dengan rasa dukacita merakamkan ahli-ahli Bar Kuala Lumpur yang telah meninggal dunia pada tahun 2017:

Santha Bhaskara Menon pada 10 Januari 2017

Balwant Singh pada 2 Februari 2017

V.T. Nathan s/o Vallipuram pada 4 Februari 2017

Gopenathan Raman Nair pada 5 Februari 2017

Sanmugam Ponmugam Ponnann pada 8 Mac 2017

Muhammad Zayd bin Bohorudin pada 8 Mac 2017

Jonathan Yoon Weng Foong pada 5 April 2017

Perry Tan Teck Meng pada 29 April 2017

Haji Abdul Rahman bin Abdullah pada 4 Mei 2017

Rajkumar Mathusuthanan pada 22 Jun 2017

Sadacharam Raman pada 10 Jun 2017

Haji Nik Mohd Rasdi bin Haji Nik Daud pada 5 Julai 2017

Muhammad Syaharudin bin Azmi pada 20 Julai 2017

Lim Soh Wah pada 30 Julai 2017

Kupparedy Gopal pada 16 Ogos 2017

Shaari bin Haji Md Nor pada 28 Ogos 2017

Woo Wei Kwang pada 10 Oktober 2017

Zainal Abidin bin Abdul Rahman pada 14 November 2017

Dua sesi Istiadat Reference untuk menghormati dan memperingati ahli-ahli tersenarai di atas dan Paramanathan s/o Kathegasu yang telah meninggal pada 8 Januari 2016, akan di adakan pada 18 dan 24 Januari 2018 jam 9:00 pagi di Mahkamah Tinggi Kuala Lumpur. Kedua Istiadat Reference ini akan di adakan berasingan di hadapan Y.A. Datuk Wira Kamaludin bin Md. Said dan Y.A. Datin Hajah Azizah binti Haji Nawawi.

F. SEKRETARIAT

Sekretariat menyokong tugas-tugas KLBC dan jawatankuasa-jawatankuasa kecilnya. Kecuali Pusat Bantuan Guaman yang mempunyai kakitangannya sendiri, projek-projek dan aktiviti-aktiviti 11 jawatankuasa kecil yang lain telah diselenggarakan dan diuruskan oleh kakitangan Sekretariat. Dengan kekuatan hanya 12 orang, kakitangan Sekretariat telah bekerja tanpa mengenal penat lelah sepanjang tahun untuk memastikan kelancaran urusetia dan kejayaan pelaksanaan projek-projek dan aktiviti-aktiviti KLBC. Ini termasuk melaksanakan tugas-tugas biasa lain seperti menyimpan rekod prosiding mesyuarat, memproses Petisyen untuk Kemasukan ke Bar, mengumpul yuran tahunan, mengekalkan akaun, pendaftaran ahli, laman sesawang dan media-media sosial lain Bar Kuala Lumpur, melayan pertanyaan-pertanyaan dari ahli-ahli Bar, pelatih dalam kamar dan orang awam, adalah sebahagian dari tugas mereka.

KLBC bertuah mempunyai sekumpulan kakitangan yang setia dan berdedikasi, yang majoriti mereka telah berkhidmat dengan KLBC selama bertahun-tahun. Pada tahun ini, lima (5) kakitangan kami menerima anugerah perkhidmatan yang panjang - Mary Tan, Pengarah Eksekutif kami dan kakitangan perkhidmatan terpanjang, telah berkhidmat dengan KLBC (dan sebelum tahun 1992, Jawatankuasa Bar FT Selangor) selama empat puluh (40) tahun, Indira Angappan, Pegawai Kemasukan kami, telah berkhidmat dengan KLBC selama dua puluh (20) tahun; dua Pembantu Tadbir kami, Vasanthe Kumari dan Jayashree dan Pembantu Pejabat Am kami, Silmah Salisin, masing-masing berkhidmat dengan KLBC selama lima (5) tahun.

Kejadian yang tidak diingini di mana bekas kakitangan dan kakitangan gantian yang menyalahgunakan dana KLBC dalam penggal lepas, telah meninggalkan kekosongan yang kini telah diisi oleh Noratikah Shaharudin yang menyertai kami pada 12 Januari 2017. Kami mendapati dia tambahan yang baik kepada pasukan Sekretariat.

Seperti biasa, kakitangan Sekretariat bekerja dengan sangat rapat dengan KLBC dalam usaha untuk memberi khidmat yang lebih baik kepada Bar Kuala Lumpur dan menyediakan Sekretariat yang lebih berkesan dan efisien. Kami mengalu-alukan maklumbalas dan cadangan tentang cara kami dapat membantu para ahli dan meningkatkan keberkesanan dan kecekapan Sekretariat.

Dengan Bar Malaysia yang memperoleh Wisma Straits Trading, Sekretariat dijangka berpindah ke bangunan tersebut apabila penyewaannya di premis sedia ada, Wisma Hangsam, tamat pada Ogos 2018.

G. BILIK PEGUAM DI KOMPLEKS MAHKAMAH KUALA LUMPUR

Untuk memberi perkhidmatan yang lebih baik kepada ahli-ahli dan demi kepentingan kecekapan kos, KLBC sedang menjalankan percubaan untuk semua perkhidmatan yang disediakan di Bilik Peguam dijalankan oleh penyumberan luar untuk tempoh enam (6) bulan, bermula dari 2 Oktober 2017. Kami mengalu-alukan maklum balas daripada ahli.

H. PENGIKTIRAFAN DAN KESIMPULAN

KLBC mengakui dan menghargai bantuan yang diberikan oleh Mahkamah Tinggi Kuala Lumpur semasa tempoh peralihan sistem e-pemfailan awal tahun ini. Apa-apa kekurangan sepanjang tahun ini adalah kesal dan untuk ini saya mencari pemahaman anda sebagai "ketidaksempurnaan adalah kualiti sejagat menjadi manusia".

Akhirnya, terima kasih khas kepada Setiausaha Kehormat, Muhendaran Suppiah, Khaizan Sharizad Ab Razak (Wakil Bar Kuala Lumpur ke Majlis Peguam), Mary Tan (Pengarah Eksekutif) dan 10 orang ahli Jawatankuasa saya atas pandangan terus terang mereka dalam perbincangan-perbincangan kami. Saya juga mempunyai keistimewaan untuk mendapat sokongan daripada Jawatankuasa dan Sekretariat yang mengagumkan dan rajin. Setiap orang di dalam Jawatankuasa ini berkongsi satu visi dan tujuan. Pendekatan dan gaya kami mungkin berbeza tetapi kami bersatu dalam meningkatkan taraf perkhidmatan untuk ahli-ahli dan memupuk diversiti dan inklusi dalam profesion undang-undang dan seterusnya.

Goh Siu Lin

Pengerusi

Jawatankuasa Bar Kuala Lumpur 2017/18

JAWATANKUASA AMALAN SIVIL DAN PERHUBUNGAN MAHKAMAH

Jawatankuasa Amalan Sivil dan Perhubungan Mahkamah (“CPCLC”) meneruskan objektifnya untuk menyelesaikan isu-isu kehakiman dan pentadbiran yang dihadapi oleh ahli-ahli Bar Kuala Lumpur. Untuk memenuhi matlamat di atas, CPCLC telah menubuhkan tiga sub-unit iaitu Unit Tempat Letak Kereta, Unit Log Aduan dan Unit Camaraderie.

Unit Tempat Letak Kereta

Untuk mengendalikan isu-isu tempat letak kereta di Mahkamah Kuala Lumpur termasuk pembinaan tempat letak kereta bertingkat.

Unit Log Aduan

Untuk membuat platform (halaman FB) atau forum untuk memudahkan ahli-ahli membangkitkan masalah-masalah/isu-isu mereka.

Unit Camaraderie

Untuk menganjurkan acara sosial bagi para pengamal sivil untuk bertemu dan berkongsi pengalaman mereka.

CPCLC mengadakan mesyuarat-mesyuarat dan aktiviti-aktiviti berikut dalam penggal 2017/18:

MESYUARAT DENGAN PENTADBIRAN MAHKAMAH KUALA LUMPUR

Mesyuarat ini diadakan pada 12 Mei 2017, jam 3:00 petang di Mahkamah Kuala Lumpur. Jawatankuasa Bar Kuala Lumpur (“KLBC”) diwakili oleh Setiausaha Kehormat Muhendaran Suppiah, ahli-ahli Jawatankuasa Atan Mustaffa, Vivekananda Sukumaran, Shashi Devan Thalmalingam, Jacky Loi Yap Loong, Nik Elin Zurina dan Wakil Bar Kuala Lumpur ke Majlis Peguam Khaizan Sharizad. Antara perkara yang dibincangkan dalam mesyuarat ini adalah isu berkaitan dengan tempat letak kereta dan Biro Perkhidmatan, keadaan bilik air di Kompleks Mahkamah Kuala Lumpur, pelaksanaan Fasa 2 Sistem E-Kehakiman dan hal-hal yang berkaitan dengan Mahkamah Jenayah.

MESYUARAT DENGAN PEGAWAI-PEGAWAI E-KEHAKIMAN

Mesyuarat ini diadakan pada 6 Julai 2017, jam 2:30 petang di Mahkamah Kuala Lumpur untuk membincangkan Fasa 2 sistem E-Filing yang baru dilaksanakan (“EK2”) yang dilancarkan pada 24 Mei 2017 untuk Mahkamah Kuala Lumpur. KLBC diwakili oleh Pengerusi KLBC Goh Siu Lin, Setiausaha Kehormat dan Pengerusi Bersama CPCLC Muhendaran Suppiah, Pengerusi ITPC Foong Cheng Leong dan Pengerusi Bersama CPCLC Vivekananda Sukumaran. Antara isu yang dibincangkan semasa mesyuarat adalah bilangan tiket yang dikeluarkan setiap hari untuk memfailkan di Biro Perkhidmatan, kakitangan tambahan untuk membantu meja bantuan, latihan untuk peguam, isu teknikal EK2 dan penutupan Biro Perkhidmatan.

“TALES FROM THE BAR”

Acara ini dianjurkan oleh Unit Camaraderie dan diadakan pada 20 Oktober 2017 di The Bee, Publika, Solaris Dutamas, Kuala Lumpur. Acara ini berjaya dengan kira-kira 250 peserta. Penceramah jemputan ialah PS Ranjan, Anand Ponnudurai, Atan Mustaffa, Fahri Azzat, Syahredzan Johan, HR Dipendra, Sangeet Kaur, Robyn Choi, Goh Siu Li, Richard Wee, David Gurupatham dan Nik Elin. Permainan juga dianjurkan melibatkan Profesor Azmi Sharom, Aaron Mathews, Choo Dee Wei, Shashi Devan, Alex Netto dan Vivekananda Sukumaran. Orang ramai juga dihiburkan oleh dua peguam pelawak, Sulaiman dan Kelvesh, semasa selingan.

Pengerusi Bersama

Muhendaran Suppiah
Vivekananda Sukumaran

Ahli-ahli Jawatankuasa

Mohd Asyraf Sukiman
Edward Vinodh a/l Kuruvilla
Jessie Koh Mei Hui
Loo Wai Hoong
Matt Wong Chong Ee
Phan Yit Leng
V. Sharveena Thevy

Pemerhati

Baljit Singh Uppal a/l Jeswan Singh
Chan Pui See, Cheyenne
Low Sin Loong

TEMPAT LETAK KERETA UNTUK WANITA YANG MENGANDUNG

Atas permintaan CPCLC, Pentadbiran Mahkamah Kuala Lumpur bersetuju untuk memperuntukkan dua daripada lima tempat letak kereta untuk orang kurang upaya (OKU) untuk dikhaskan untuk wanita hamil. Walau bagaimanapun, Mahkamah telah mencadangkan bahawa KLBC akan menaja papan tanda-papan tanda berkenaan. Pengerusi Bersama CPCLC, Vivekananda Sukumaran berjaya mendapatkan salah satu pelanggannya untuk menaja dua papan tanda.

KAJISELIDIK DALAM TALIAN

Satu kajiselidik dalam talian telah diwujudkan oleh Unit Log Aduan dan ia dilancarkan secara rasmi sempena "Tales from the Bar" pada 20 Oktober 2017. Keputusan kajiselidik akan dikumpulkan dan diterbitkan sebaik sahaja tabulasi maklum balas telah dilakukan.

CADANGAN UNTUK MEMBINA TEMPAT LETAK KERETA BERTINGKAT

Unit Tempat Letak Kereta telah menghantar surat kepada Unit Kerjasama Awam Swasta ("UKAS") untuk mendapatkan maklumat mengenai sama ada terdapat rancangan untuk membina tempat letak kereta bertingkat di Mahkamah Kuala Lumpur. Permintaan juga dibuat kepada UKAS untuk menjemput KLBC untuk perbincangan apa-apa mengenai rancangan itu, jika ada, kerana peguam adalah pengguna utama tempat letak kereta di Mahkamah Kuala Lumpur.

KESIMPULAN DAN PENGHARGAAN

Kami ingin merakamkan ucapan terima kasih dan penghargaan kepada para ahli untuk masa dan sokongan yang diberikan kepada CPCLC.

Muhendaran Suppiah dan Vivekananda Sukumaran

Pengerusi Bersama

Jawatankuasa Amalan Sivil dan Perhubungan Mahkamah

JAWATANKUASA AMALAN KORPORAT DAN KONVEYANSING

Jawatankuasa Amalan Korporat dan Konveyansing (“CCPC”) mengekalkan objektif utamanya untuk menyelesaikan masalah-masalah dan isu-isu yang dihadapi oleh pengamal korporat dan konveyansing dengan pelbagai pihak berkepentingan, termasuk agensi-agensi kerajaan yang berkaitan walaupun pada tahun ini CCPC memberi keutamaan kepada Pejabat Tanah dan Galian Wilayah Persekutuan Kuala Lumpur (“PTGWPKL”)

Sejak berkhidmat, CCPC telah meminta dan menerima maklumbalas dari ahli-ahli kami mengenai isu-isu semasa yang dihadapi. CCPC juga menganjurkan seminar-seminar/bengkel-bengkel yang menetengahkan topik yang memberi manfaat kepada pengamal korporat dan konveyansing dan meminta/menghadiri mesyuarat/perbincangan dengan pegawai-pegawai PTGWPKL.

CCPC telah menghadiri mesyuarat-mesyuarat dan menganjurkan aktiviti-aktiviti berikut sepanjang penggal 2017/18:

TAKLIMAT MENGENAI E-TANAH

Portal e-Tanah telah dilancarkan pada 19 Jun 2017 dan PTGWPKL telah menganjurkan taklimat mengenai prosedur cara memohon ID dari portal e-Tanah, carian dalam talian (eCarian), pembayaran dalam talian untuk cukai tanah (eBayaran) dan status dalam talian untuk aplikasi (eSemakan). CCPC telah diwakili di taklimat tersebut yang telah di adakan pada 14 Jun 2017, oleh Sarguna Kumaari Munusamy, Achiammal Soorianarayanan, Nahzatul Ain binti Mohd Khalid, Chong Wai Kuan, Ow Hui Ching and SharulBariah bt Aziz @ Nurshamila bt Aziz.

PELAKSANAAN SISTEM E-TANAH OLEH PTGWPKL

PTGWPKL telah melaksanakan sistem e-tanah seperti yang diwartakan oleh kerajaan pada 19 Jun 2017. Tujuan utama sistem ini adalah penukaran ke e-hakmilik atau pendigitasian dokumen-dokumen hakmilik di PTGWPKL.

ISU-ISU BERBANGKIT DARI PELAKSANAAN SISTEM E-TANAH

Pengerusi telah menghadiri satu perjumpaan dengan pegawai-pegawai PTGWPKL yang bertanggungjawab terhadap e-tanah mengenai isu-isu yang berkaitan dengan proses tukar ganti kerana para peguam telah mengadu bahawa semua urusan niaga telah ditangguhkan kerana proses tersebut. Sebagai langkah penyelesaian, PTGWPKL telah meminta bantuan daripada CCPC untuk membuat saringan ke atas permintaan segera dari peguam untuk proses tukar ganti dokumen hakmilik mereka. E-blast mengenai perkara ini telah dikeluarkan pada 10 Julai 2017 yang memaklumkan ahli-ahli Bar Kuala Lumpur agar mereka menghantar permintaan secara emel dan senarai harian hakmilik segera dihantar ke PTGWPKL di mana senarai itu diberi keutamaan untuk diproses oleh pihak PTGWPKL. CCPC telah mengambil tugas ini untuk membantu PTGWPKL sehingga 30 Ogos 2017. Pada umumnya CCPC telah menyenaraikan hampir 1000 hakmilik dan hampir 80 peratus berjaya ditukar ganti dalam tempoh masa yang diminta. PTGWPKL tidak dapat memproses hakmilik yang selebihnya kerana pelbagai isu berkenaan hakmilik-hakmilik tersebut.

PERJUMPAAN ANTARA PTGWPKL BERSAMA DENGAN MAJLIS PEGUAM BERKENAAN E-TANAH

Sebagai susulan kepada proses di atas, satu mesyuarat dengan PTGWPKL telah diadakan pada 18 Julai 2017. Mesyuarat itu dihadiri oleh CCPC serta wakil dari Majlis Peguam dan

Pengerusi

Jacky Loi Yap Loong

Timbalan Pengerusi

Nahzatul Ain binti Mohd Khalid

Edham Reza Shah

Ahli-ahli Jawatankuasa

Achiammal Soorianarayanan

Chew Yong See

Chia Kim Meang

Chong Wai Kuan

Daphne Lew Chah Yee

Dennis Teoh

Donny Kwa Soo Chuan

Melissa Tiang Chiew Ling

Mohd Arif Asyraf bin Sukiman

Nicholas Tan Choi Chuan

Ong June Siang

Ow Hui Ching

R. Yogeswari

Sarguna Kumaari Munusamy

SharulBariah bt Aziz @ Nurshamila bt Aziz

Susan Joseph

Pemerhati

Sarah Kambali

Sundaradevan Ramachandaran

Jawatankuasa Bar Selangor. Isu-isu dan masalah-masalah yang berkaitan dengan e-Tanah yang dihadapi oleh para peguam telah dibincangkan pada mesyuarat tersebut. Beberapa perkara penting yang dibangkitkan oleh PTGWPKL adalah:

- Proses Tukar Ganti tersebut akan selesai pada 30 Ogos 2017;
- Firma-firma digalakkan untuk mendaftarkan diri sebagai pengguna untuk membolehkan mereka menjalankan transaksi-transaksi masa depan secara dalam talian (iaitu carian, penyerahan dan tugas ganti).

MESYUARAT SUSULAN BERKENAAN E-TANAH

Mesyuarat susulan telah di adakan pada 7 Ogos 2017 atas permintaan Jawatankuasa Amalan Konveyansing Majlis Peguam untuk terus membincangkan isu berkaitan dengan e-tanah. CCPC diwakili oleh Pengerusi, Wakil Bar Kuala Lumpur ke Majlis Peguam Khaizan Sharizad Ab Razak dan empat ahli CCPC yang lain iaitu Dennis Teoh, Edham Reza Shah, Mohd Arif Asyraf bin Sukiman dan Sarguna Kumaari Munusamy. Mesyuarat membincangkan isu-isu yang dibangkitkan oleh ahli-ahli berkaitan dengan proses tukar ganti.

ACARA-ACARA LATIHAN

TARIKH DAN MASA	ACARA	PELATIH/PENCERAMAH	BILANGAN PESERTA
1 & 2 Mac 2017 9:00 pagi hingga 5:00 petang	Bengkel Praktikal Dua-Hari berkenaan Amalan Konveyansing	Lee Peck Ha (Ketua) R Yogeswari Dennis Teoh Susan Joseph Nahzatul Ain binti Mohd Khalid Chong Wai Kuan Sarah binti Kambali Daphne Lew Chah Yee Ow Hui Ching Donny Kwa Soo Chua	24
4 Mei 2017 10:00 pagi hingga 4:30 petang	Seminar berkenaan "Wills, Probate, Letter of Administration and Small Estates Distribution Act 1958"	Selva Balan a/l Sinnan Nahzatul Ain binti Mohd Khalid Ow Hui Ching Daphne Lew Chah Yee	83
8 & 9 Ogos 2017 9:00 pagi hingga 5:00 petang	Bengkel Praktikal Dua-Hari berkenaan Amalan Konveyansing	R Yogeswari Dennis Teoh Susan Joseph Nahzatul Ain binti Mohd Khalid Sarah binti Kambali Chong Wai Kuan Daphne Lew Chah Yee Ow Hui Ching Nor Azura binti Abdul Rahman (WPKL Land Office)	58
24 Oktober 2017 9:00 pagi hingga 5:00 petang	Bengkel berkenaan "Banking Documentations for Housing Loans (Including Banking Litigation)"	R Yogeswari Chong Wai Kuan Nahzatul Ain binti Mohd Khalid Ong June Siang	71

KESIMPULAN DAN PENGHARGAAN

Saya ingin merakamkan ucapan terima kasih yang paling dalam untuk masa dan sokongan yang diberikan oleh ahli-ahli terutama kepada mereka yang mengendalikan seminar-seminar, latihan-latihan dan bengkel-bengkel. Mereka telah menghabiskan masa berharga untuk berkongsi pengalaman mereka dengan para peserta. Saya harap trend perkongsian ini akan berterusan pada masa akan datang.

Jacky Loi Yap Loong

Pengerusi

Jawatankuasa Amalan Korporat dan Konveyansing

JAWATANKUASA AMALAN JENAYAH

Jawatankuasa Amalan Jenayah (“CPC”) meneruskan tujuan utamanya untuk mengatasi isu-isu dan masalah-masalah yang dihadapi oleh pengamal undang-undang jenayah dengan agensi-agensinya yang berkaitan iaitu Badan Kehakiman, Jabatan Peguam Negara dan Polis.

MESYUARAT DENGAN PENTADBIRAN MAHKAMAH KUALA LUMPUR

Pengerusi CPC menghadiri mesyuarat ini, yang telah di adakan pada 12 Mei 2017, bersama Setiausaha Kehormat KLBC Muhendaran Suppiah, ahli-ahli KLBC lain iaitu Atan Mustaffa, Vivekananda Sukumaran, Jacky Loi Yap Loong, Nik Elin Zurina dan Wakil Bar Kuala Lumpur ke Majlis Peguam Khaizan Sharizad. Isu-isu penting yang dibincangkan pada mesyuarat itu adalah terutamanya berkaitan dengan tempat letak kereta dan Biro Perkhidmatan, keadaan bilik air di Kompleks Mahkamah Kuala Lumpur, pelaksanaan Fasa 2 Sistem E-Kehakiman (EFS) yang akan meliputi Bahagian Jenayah.

CPC telah membangkitkan isu orang-orang tertuduh yang mempunyai pelbagai tuduhan jenayah didengar di Mahkamah yang berasingan yang mungkin boleh disatukan menjadi satu perbicaraan. Mempunyai pelbagai tuduhan yang bersifat serupa, didengar di Mahkamah yang berasingan akan membebankan tertuduh di mana jumlah jaminan berkenaan. Pengerusi CPC mencadangkan bahawa Timbalan Pendakwa Raya dan Mahkamah mengkaji kes-kes di mana terdapat pelbagai pertuduhan terhadap orang yang dituduh dan memastikan bahawa tuduhan-tuduhan itu disatukan sebelum pendaftaran tuduhan-tuduhan tersebut. Mahkamah diberitahu bahawa mereka sedar bahawa keadaan ini sedang berlaku dan mereka percaya perkara itu akan diselesaikan dengan pelaksanaan EFS Fasa 2.

CADANGAN UNTUK PENGURUSAN KES PRA-PERBICARAAN

CPC telah meminta Badan Kehakiman untuk membentuk jawatankuasa kerja antara Badan Kehakiman, Jabatan Peguam Negara dan Bar Kuala Lumpur. Jawatankuasa kerja yang dicadangkan hendaklah berusaha untuk memastikan penguatkuasaan dan prosedur adil pengurusan kes pra-perbicaraan seperti yang terkandung di dalam Kanun Prosedur Jenayah.

CPC telah mengemukakan cadangan itu kepada Hakim Penyelia Mahkamah Jenayah Kuala Lumpur dan meminta maklum balas daripada pegawai-pegawai Mahkamah.

SEMINAR-SEMINAR

CPC telah merancang untuk menganjurkan beberapa seminar untuk penggal ini tetapi disebabkan keadaan yang tidak dijangka, seminar-seminar tersebut sama ada ditangguhkan atau dibatalkan. Satu-satunya seminar yang diadakan sepanjang penggal ini ialah:

- Seminar berkenaan “Pre-Trial Preparation for Criminal Brief”**
 Seminar ini telah di adakan di Auditorium Bar Kuala Lumpur pada 17 November 2017 dari jam 3:00 hingga 6:00 petang dan disampaikan oleh Collin Arvind Andrew, Pengerusi Pusat Bantuan Guaman (Kuala Lumpur). Ianya telah dihadiri oleh 24 peserta.

Pengerusi

Shashi Devan Thalmingam

Timbalan Pengerusi

P G Cyril a/ I P G Chandradasa
 (Projek-projek khas)
 Muhammad Izwan bin Ishak
 (Seminar/Latihan)

Ahli-ahli Jawatankuasa

Aza Hartini Abd Razak
 Chong Pei Yen, Emily
 Chua Li Li
 D P Vijandran
 Eliane Teh
 Hoh Li Chian, Queenie
 Kirthiraj Rajasundram
 Kuldeep Kumar a/ I Jamna Dass
 Louis Liaw Vern Xien
 Malini a/p R Manikam
 Nur Siti Fairuz Roslan
 Ramesh N P Chandran
 Saranjeet Kaur Sidhu a/p Gurucharan Singh
 Sathyanathan a/ I Sinnappan
 Shahrudin Ali
 Tan Kian Peng
 Tisya Yunus

Pemerhati

Fatin Nurizzati binti Mohamad Fadzli
 Kee Shu Min
 Low Jia Mun, Carmen
 Mahajoth Singh
 Nurol Afiqah binti Abdul Latif
 Reetha a/p Parawa Karan
 Reetha Parawakaran
 Tan Wen Shi, Joshina
 Teoh King Men
 Yong Ching Hong

KESIMPULAN DAN PENGHARGAAN

Saya ingin merakamkan ucapan terima kasih dan penghargaan kepada ahli-ahli atas masa dan sokongan yang telah diberikan kepada CPC.

Shashi Devan Thalmalingam

Pengerusi

Jawatankuasa Amalan Jenayah

JAWATANKUASA KESAKSAMAAN JANTINA DAN DIVERSITI

Jawatankuasa Bar Kuala Lumpur berkomit untuk mempromosikan kecemerlangan, diversiti, rasa hormat dan inklusi di Bar selaras dengan prinsip keadilan dan kesaksamaan. Untuk mencapai matlamat ini, Jawatankuasa Kesaksamaan Jantina dan Diversiti (“GEDC”) ditubuhkan untuk memimpin pembangunan, pelaksanaan dan inisiatif yang direka untuk:

- menyokong budaya tempat kerja yang tidak diskriminasi di Bar;
- mengenalpasti dan berusaha untuk mengatasi halangan dan kecenderungan tanpa sedar yang dihadapi oleh ahli-ahli berdasarkan jantina, orientasi seksual atau ketidakupayaan yang mungkin menghalang kesamaan peluang sejati;
- mempromosikan dan memajukan peluang pekerjaan yang sama untuk pembangunan penuh bakat dan kapasiti;
- mendidik ahli-ahli mengenai amalan kesamarataan dan diversiti yang terbaik melalui pembangunan modul pengenalan dan latihan yang lebih maju.

Sepanjang tahun lalu, seminar dan program pemekaan berikut telah dianjurkan:

SEMINAR BERKENAAN “SPEAK UP: HANDLING HARASSMENT AND RAISING ISSUES IN LAW FIRMS/WORKPLACE”

Seminar interaktif ini disampaikan oleh Animah Kosai di Auditorium Bar Kuala Lumpur dari 9:00 pagi hingga 12:30 tengahari pada 20 Jun 2017. Animah bercakap tentang pentingnya menggalakkan budaya korporat keterbukaan dan membenarkan orang ramai membangkitkan isu kebimbangan tanpa rasa takut dengan membalas kembali. Ini adalah untuk menggalakkan budaya yang memberi kuasa di mana orang dapat menimbulkan isu yang membimbangkan. Seminar ini dihadiri oleh 14 peserta.

SEMINAR BERKENAAN “UNDERSTANDING SEXUAL HARASSMENT”

Seminar pengenalan ini disampaikan oleh Betty Yeoh di Auditorium Bar Kuala Lumpur dari 9:00 pagi hingga 12:00 tengahari pada 21 Jun 2017. Seminar ini dihadiri oleh 15 peserta.

SEMINAR BERKENAAN “GENDER AND SEXUALITY FOR LAWYERS”

Seminar ini disampaikan oleh Thilaga (Justice for Sisters) dan Aston Paiva di Auditorium Bar Kuala Lumpur dari 2:30 petang hingga 5:00 petang pada 13 Julai 2017. Seminar ini dihadiri oleh lapan peserta dan meliputi antara lain, “What is sex, gender identity, gender expression and sexual orientation”; “Key issues and trends”; “Cases - section 66, change of name, gender marker and other details in legal documents, SM case”; dan “Good practices”. Kami juga disertai oleh Rachel Crasnow QC, peguam terkemuka UK yang terkenal dengan kepakarannya dalam undang-undang diskriminasi, yang turut berkongsi sedikit tentang pengalaman UK.

SEMINAR BERKENAAN “ROBES, BIBS & HEELS - TRAPEZE OR TRAMPOLINE?”

Seminar ini disampaikan oleh Anit Kaur Randhawa, Constance Low dan Daniel Bong Cheng Hua di Auditorium Bar Kuala Lumpur dari jam 3:00 petang hingga 6:00 petang pada 14 Ogos 2017. Para penceramah berkongsi tip-tip praktikal dan bercakap tentang pengalaman peribadi mereka melalui pandangan mereka sendiri, sebagai litigator, peguam korporat dan bapa yang baru, mengenai cabaran mengimbangi amalan undang-undang dan kehidupan keluarga. Seminar ini dihadiri oleh 11 peserta.

Pengerusi

Goh Siu Lin

Ahli-ahli Jawatankuasa

Alithea Wong

Ariel Francis

Kiattilin Sommat

Prasanna Karunamoorthy

Low Chooi Ping

Daniel Bong Cheng Hua

Manimagalai a/p Gowindasamy

Penasihat Luar

Betty Yeoh

Yu Ren Chung

Animah Kosai

Honey Tan

MODUL INKLUSI DAN DIVERSITI

GEDC telah bekerjasama dengan Jawatankuasa Pelatih Dalam Kamar untuk memasukkan modul kepekaan jantina ke dalam sesi Pengenalan Murid bulanan:

TARIKH	TAJUK	PENYAMPAI	JUMLAH PELATIH
5 Julai 2017	Kesedaran Gangguan Seksual	Betty Yeoh (AWAM)	84
2 Ogos 2017	Kesedaran Gangguan Seksual	Betty Yeoh (AWAM)	76
6 September 2017	Kecenderungan Tanpa Sedar	Goh Siu Lin	74
4 Oktober 2017	Kecenderungan Tanpa Sedar	Anne Abraham (LeadWomen)	73
1 November 2017	Kesedaran Gangguan Seksual dan Kecenderungan Tanpa Sedar	Betty Yeoh (AWAM) Goh Siu Lin	96
6 Disember 2017	Diversiti dan Inklusi	Goh Siu Lin Yu Ren Chung (Women's Aid Organisation)	83

TEMPAT LETAK KERETA KHAS UNTUK PEGUAM WANITA YANG HAMIL DI MAHKAMAH TINGGI KUALA LUMPUR

GEDC dengan kerjasama Jawatankuasa Amalan Sivil dan Perhubungan Mahkamah telah mendapatkan tempat letak kereta tetap untuk peguam wanita hamil di Kompleks Mahkamah Kuala Lumpur.

Goh Siu Lin

Pengerusi

Jawatankuasa Kesaksamaan Jantina dan Diversiti

JAWATANKUASA TEKNOLOGI MAKLUMAT DAN PENERBITAN

Jawatankuasa Teknologi Maklumat dan Penerbitan ("ITPC") telah meneruskan usaha dalam mereformasikan dan membuat perubahan dalam rangka kerja teknologi maklumat Bar Kuala Lumpur dan memodenkan Sekretariat Bar Kuala Lumpur.

LAMAN SESAWANG BAR KUALA LUMPUR DAN APP MOBIL

Laman sesawang Bar Kuala Lumpur Bar Kuala Lumpur telah dirubah untuk kali kedua selepas Agile D3veloper Sdn Bhd diupah pada bulan Jun 2017 untuk membina App Mobil Bar Kuala Lumpur. Laman sesawang terbaru ini membolehkan ahli-ahli membeli tiket acara secara dalam talian dan maklumat yang diterima oleh Sekretariat Bar Kuala Lumpur akan dikumpulkan secara automatik. Ia juga membolehkan ahli-ahli membuat bayaran melalui gerbang pembayaran iPay88.

Agile D3veloper Sdn Bhd juga sedang membina App Mobile Bar Kuala Lumpur. App Mobil tersebut akan membolehkan ahli-ahli membeli tiket untuk acara-acara melalui App Mobil, antara lain.

Pemaju kami sebelum ini, Webb Agency Sdn Bhd, tidak dapat menyelesaikan pembinaan App Mobil tersebut dan kami telah menamatkan perkhidmatan mereka.

DIGITALISASI PETISYEN PELATIH DALAM KAMAR BARU

Bermula dari 2 Februari 2017, KLBC menerima semua kertas kausa dan surat berkaitan dengan permohonan pelatih dalam kamar untuk penerimaan masuk ke Bar melalui e-mel. Akibatnya, KLBC telah menghentikan penyelenggaraan fail fizikal bagi permohonan pelatih dalam kamar untuk penerimaan masuk ke Bar.

SISTEM PENGURUSAN KEAHLIAN BARU DI SEKRETARIAT

Brainymations Studio Sdn Bhd, yang telah kami lantik pada penggal yang lalu untuk membina Sistem Pengurusan Keahlian yang baru berada di peringkat terakhir pembinaan dan sistem kini menunggu penyebaran.

Sistem Pengurusan Keahlian yang baru membolehkan, antara lain, penyegerakan pangkalan data keahlian Bar Council dengan pangkalan data ahli-ahli Bar Kuala Lumpur. Ini berkesan menghapuskan kemasukan data di pihak Sekretariat dan keperluan untuk ahli-ahli memaklumkan Sekretariat mengenai sebarang perubahan status atau butiran mereka.

MENGEKALKAN LEGASI KITA - TEMUBUAL DENGAN AHLI-AHLI KANAN BAR

Sebagai sebahagian daripada usaha kami untuk mengekalkan sejarah guaman Bar Malaysia dan Bar Kuala Lumpur, kami memulakan satu projek untuk mewawancarai ahli-ahli kanan Bar untuk mendapatkan serba sedikit butir sejarah guaman kita.

Dalam hal ini, kami telah menemuramah Chen Kah Leng, Lee Tatt Boon, Dato' Seri Mohd Hishamudin Yunus dan Su Tiang Joo.

Kami sedang menyalin sebahagian wawancara tersebut dengan bantuan penyedia perkhidmatan transkripsi, Scribe.

Pengerusi

Foong Cheng Leong

Timbalan Pengerusi

Anita Gerewal

Ahli-ahli Jawatankuasa

Amanda Hoi

Audrey Tan Kah Yee

Bryan Ng Yih Miin

Chen Hong Sze

Jolene Lee

Leon Gan Han Chen

Neo Hwee Yong

Philip Ho Kee Loang

Rachel Tan Mei Chien

Sheelan Arjunan

Tan Cheng Yee

Wong Shou Sien

Pemerhati

Ng Joshua

Phua Chy Hu

Tan Kian Han, Marcus

Wan Zafran Pawancheek

Leon Tai Lijie

Jesslyn Lim Wei-Lin

PROJEK PENGIMBASAN GAMBAR BAR KUALA LUMPUR

Dengan bantuan ahli Wan Zafran, ITPC mengimbas lebih 1700 gambar yang diambil pada akhir 1980-an hingga 2007. Gambar-gambar itu kini dimuat naik ke halaman Flickr KLBC di <https://www.flickr.com/people/149053426@N03/>

DIGITALISASI RAKAMAN KASET

Kami telah memulakan projek untuk mendigitalkan rakaman kaset audio kami sejak tahun 1990-an. Kami telah memuat naik ucapan bertajuk “Kuliah Tradisi Bar” oleh Peter Mooney pada tahun 2000 ke SoundCloud (<https://soundcloud.com/user-849278037/lecture-on-traditions-of-the-bar-by-dato-dr-peter-mooney-28-februari-2000>).

Mendiang Peter Mooney telah berkhidmat sebagai Peguam Negara Sarawak dan Naib Presiden Bar Malaysia. Beliau juga merupakan salah seorang rakan pengasas Skrine.

PROMO KL BAR-GRAB

Pada bulan September 2017, kami bekerjasama dengan pembekal khidmat ride-hailing Grab untuk menawarkan kadar istimewa kepada ahli-ahli kami. 400 ahli yang mendaftar untuk promosi ini mendapat potongan RM5 untuk perjalanan mereka ke mesyuarat dan Mahkamah-mahkamah di Lembah Klang. Bagi pengguna baru, mereka mendapat potongan RM15 untuk perjalanan pertama mereka.

BILIK PEGUAM

Dengan penutupan Biro Perkhidmatan Mahkamah Kuala Lumpur bagi peguam-peguam, kami telah mengkonfigurasi komputer-komputer di Bilik Peguam Mahkamah Kuala Lumpur untuk membolehkan pemfailan dokumen-dokumen di buat secara dalam talian dengan Sistem efilming Mahkamah. Ahli-ahli Bar kini boleh mengimbas dokumen mereka di Bilik Peguam dan memfailkan dokumen-dokumen mereka dengan syarat mereka membawa token mereka sendiri.

Kami juga telah meningkatkan sambungan internet di Bilik Peguam dengan menaik taraf sambungan ke 10 MBPS.

SIRI BENGKEL LEGAL TECH BERKENAAN MENGAMANKAN ASET DIGITAL ANDA

Bengkel ini disampaikan oleh Yeo Yee Ling dan Jesslyn Lim Wei-Lin pada 9 Mac 2017 di Auditorium Bar Kuala Lumpur dari jam 3:00 petang hingga 5:00 petang. Bengkel ini dihadiri oleh 16 peserta. Bengkel ini meliputi, antara lain, “Keselamatan Siber”; dan “Nama domain”.

Kami juga akan menganjurkan satu seminar mengenai Teknologi dan Pengkodan pada awal tahun 2018. Kami masih memuktamadkan butir-butir tersebut.

PENGHARGAAN

Projek-projek ITPC tersebut tidak dapat dilaksanakan tanpa minat yang mendalam dan kukuh oleh ahli-ahli ITPC yang terus membantu dan bekerja di belakang tabir bagi memastikan projek-projek berlaksana dengan jayanya. Ahli-ahli ITPC terus menerus memberi sokongan dan bantuan sepenuhnya.

Foong Cheng Leong

Pengerusi

Jawatankuasa Teknologi Maklumat dan Penerbitan

JAWATANKUASA PEMBANGUNAN PROFESIONAL

Objektif utama Jawatankuasa Pembangunan Profesional ("PDC") adalah untuk terus menawarkan kepada ahli-ahli dan pelatih-pelatih dalam kamar, melalui program-program pendidikan undang-undang, peluang untuk memperkukuhkan kemahiran asas undang-undang mereka, dan mengemaskinikan pengetahuan mereka berkenaan perkembangan dalam pelbagai bidang amalan. PDC berusaha untuk menganjurkan pelbagai program pendidikan undang-undang untuk kedua-dua ahli-ahli Badan Peguam dan juga pelatih-pelatih dalam kamar.

Tahun ini, PDC telah menganjurkan sejumlah 56 acara-acara yang meliputi pelbagai topik seperti yang disenaraikan di mukasurat berikutnya.

Sambutan kepada acara-acara berkenaan terus menggalakkan dan adalah menjadi harapan kami bahawa ahli-ahli akan mengambil bahagian dalam program-program kami untuk terus meningkatkan pembangunan profesional mereka.

Kami ingin menjemput pengamal-pengamal undang-undang yang berpengalaman untuk tampil ke hadapan untuk berkhidmat dalam PDC dan/atau menawarkan diri menjadi penceramah. Sila hubungi PDC pada bila-bila masa untuk berkongsi pandangan atau cadangan anda supaya kita boleh terus memperbaiki kualiti dan kerelevanan Program-program PDC untuk tahun 2018.

Atan Mustaffa Yussof Ahmad

Pengerusi

Jawatankuasa Pembangunan Profesional

Pengerusi

Atan Mustaffa Yussof Ahmad

Ahli-ahli Jawatankuasa

Aaina Liyana Binti Abd Manaf

Balwant Singh Sidhu

Chia Swee Yik

Elizabeth Goh Huay Ling

G. Nanda Goban

Gopala Krishnan K. Sundaram

H.R. Dipendra

Iman Nabilah binti Sharin Selvan

Jeremiah R. Gurusamy

Jeremy Phang Pok Shan

Kimberly Tey Mei Zhern

Lim Soo Wen

Nik Elin Zurina bt Nik Abdul Rashid

Rajesh Kumar

Wong Tat Chung

Tan Kim Kiek

Pemerhati

Selvaraja a /I Chinniah

Gavin Jayapal

Amanda Hoi

Loong Sheng Li

NO.	TARIKH DAN MASA	TOPIK/BUTIR-BUTIR	PENCERAMAH
1	17 Januari 2017	Kaedah-kaedah Pengambilalihan 2016	Wong Tat Chung
2	20 Januari 2017	Penguatkuasaan Penghakiman Asing Bersaling	Lua Ai Siew
3	21 Januari 2017	Kes-kes Harta Intelek	Y.A. Datuk Wong Kian Kheong
4	25 Januari 2017	Seminar Penjimatan Cukai untuk Rakan-rakan Kongsi	Lim Kien Chai
5	21 Februari 2017	Etiket dan Kesopanan di Mahkamah	H.R. Dipendra
6	22 Februari 2017	Seminar untuk Peguam mengenai Bagaimana untuk Memahami Laporan Tahunan dan Penyata Kewangan	Lim Kien Chai
7	23 Februari 2017	Taklimat berkenaan Pengembangan Sistem E-Kehakiman (Fasa 2) di Seluruh Semenanjung Malaysia di Mesyuarat Agung Tahunan Kuala Lumpur	Desmond Ho Kenny Lai
8	24 Februari 2017	Asas Litigasi Sivil	Sanjeev Kumar Rasiah Colin Andrew Pereira
9	28 Februari 2017	Asas Kebankrapan dan Rombakan Akta Kebankrapan 1967	Trevor Jason Mark Padasian
10	3 Mac 2017	Makluman Terkini berkenaan Akta Syarikat	Wong Tat Chung
11	7 March 2017	Seminar untuk Peguam mengenai Keuntungan daripada Pelupusan Harta Tanah: Keuntungan Yang Kena Dibayar atau Keuntungan Perniagaan?	Lim Kien Chai
12	10 Mac 2017	Pengenalan kepada Advokasi Undang-undang	Fahri Azzat
13	14 Mac 2017	Pengenalan kepada Undang-Undang Imigresen	CR Selva
14	21 Mac 2017	Makluman Terkini berkenaan Akta Syarikat	Wong Tat Chung
15	22 Mac 2017	CBP untuk Urus Niaga Harta Tanah	Thenesh Kannaa
16	28 Mac 2017	Advokasi Rayuan	Ira Biswas
17	31 Mac 2017	Undang-undang Persaingan Beraksi	Sudharsanan Thillainathan Winnie Chan Yin Nie Mohd Imran Adnan
18	21 April 2017	Pengenalan kepada Prosedur Mahkamah Perusahaan	Atan Mustaffa Yussof Ahmad
19	26 April 2017	Makluman Terkini berkenaan Akta Syarikat	Wong Tat Chung
20	12 Mei 2017	Akta Syarikat Baru 2016 dan Petisyen Penggulangan Syarikat: Satu Pengenalan	Alex Chang
21	16 Mei 2017	Seminar untuk Peguam berkenaan Perakaunan & Kewangan	Lim Kien Chai
22	18 Mei 2017	Usahasama dan Perikatan Strategik	Jeremiah R. Gurusamy
23	19 Mei 2017	Makluman terkini berkenaan Akta Syarikat	Wong Tat Chung
24	25 Mei 2017	Hak Asasi Manusia dan Perlembagaan	Emeritus Professor Datuk Dr Shad Saleem Faruqi
25	26 Mei 2017	Pengenalan kepada Timbang Tara	Kevin Prakash Victoria Loi Tien Fen Karen Ng Gek Suan
26	31 Mei 2017	Dengan kerjasama MIArb	Balwant Singh Sidhu

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27	6 Jun 2017	Kuasa Kehakiman, Perlembagaan Persekutuan, dan Seksyen 40 Akta Pengambilan Tanah 1960 - Adakah Hakim satu Rubber Stamp?	Lim Kien Chai
28	14 Jun 2017	Seminar untuk Peguam berkenaan Pengurusan Akaun Pejabat dan Pelanggan	Kalai Sivanadian
29	15 Jun 2017	Persiapan untuk Perbicaraan Pembunuhan	Vijayandran Thanigasalam
30	16 Jun 2017	Makluman Terkini berkenaan Akta Syarikat	Wong Tat Chung
31	16 Jun 2017	Diambil Sebagai Anak Angkat Tetapi Tidak Berwarganegara - Kanak-Kanak Kita Yang Halimunan	Raymond Mah Mun Kitt Goh Siu Lin
32	19 Jun 2017	Perkongsian Liabiliti Terhad	Wong Tat Chung
33	20 Jun 2017	Memorandum Persefahaman: Seni Penggubalan & Penguatkuasaan	Lim Kien Chai
34	7 Julai 2017	Bengkel Kemahiran Persembahan Secara Tegas	K. Loghandran
35	14 Julai 2017	Makluman Terkini berkenaan Akta Syarikat	Wong Tat Chung
36	14 Julai 2017	Pendaftaran Perkahwinan dan Penceraian Luar Negeri & Perceraian Rakyat Malaysia, Adakah Pendaftaran Keperluan untuk Kesahan Tuntutan Perkahwinan dan Tanggungan Malaysia?	Balwant Singh Sidhu
37	17 Julai 2017	Akta Keganasan Rumah Tangga	Yu Ren Chung Loheswary Arumugam
38	18 Julai 2017	Seminar Perolehan & Pelupusan Saham dalam Syarikat Harta Tanah	Lim Kien Chai
39	1 Ogos 2017	Pengenalan kepada Prosedur Mahkamah Perusahaan	Atan Mustaffa Yussof Ahmad
40	11 Ogos 2017	Undang-undang Perubatan	Karthi Kanthabalan
41	15 Ogos 2017	Seminar Undang-Undang Usahasama	Lim Kien Chai
42	18 Ogos 2017	Tidak boleh dikuatkuasakan /Penguatkuasaan - Kontrak untuk Bayaran Profesional	N. Murugayah
43	22 Ogos 2017	Memahami Cap Dagangan	Janet Toh Yoong San Lee Chiao Ying
44	29 Ogos 2017	Cukai Keuntungan Harta Tanah	Thenesh Kannaa
45	14 September 2017	Remedi-remedi Pemegang Saham: Penggulangan, Penindasan Minoriti dan Tindakan Terbitan	Lee Shih Nathalie Ker Si Min
46	26 September 2017	Seminar untuk Peguam mengenai "Bagaimana untuk Membaca & Memahami Penyata Kewangan Firma Anda Sendiri"	Lim Kien Chai
47	27 September 2017	Kes-kes Cukai Terkini - Pandangan Mendalam Berkenaan Drama Di Mahkamah	S. Saravana Kumar
48	3 Oktober 2017	Penggubalan Kontrak Komersial	Jeremiah R. Gurusamy
49	6 Oktober 2017	Peranan Peguam sebagai Pemelihara Efektif dalam Memelihara Integriti Sistem Kewangan: Pencegahan Pengubahan Wang Haram & Pembiayaan Keganasan	Afiz Fazriz Azizi Tee Suat Hong (from BNM)
50	10 Oktober 2017	Pengenalan kepada Undang-undang Pembinaan	Choon Hon Leng

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51	13 Oktober 2017	Pengenalan kepada Harta Intelek	Cindy Goh Joo Seong
52	26 Oktober 2017	Isu Imigresen Semasa dan Undang-Undang	CR Selva
53	14 November 2017	Semakan Kehakiman 101	Shanmuga Kanesalingam
54	15 November 2017	Pengubahan Wang Haram dan Undang-Undang	Dato' Jagjit Singh a/l Bant Singh
55	24 November 2017	Penguatkuasaan Penghakiman Asing	Claudia Cheah Pek Yee
56	28 November 2017	Seminar mengenai Penggabungan & Pengambilalihan: Menguruskan Isu-Isu Yang Dihadapi	Lim Kien Chai

Seminar-Seminar Akan Datang

NO.	TARIKH DAN MASA	BUTIR-BUTIR	PENCERAMAH
1	17 Januari 2018	LLP	Dato' Richard Azlan Abas CEO, The Malaysian Directors Academy (MINDA)
2	24 Januari 2018	Isu-isu dan Masalah-masalah Biasa yang timbul daripada Kontrak PAM	Chan Kheng Hoe
3	26 Januari 2018	Bajet 2018 untuk Peguam-peguam	Lim Kien Chai
4	29 Januari 2018	Harta yang Tidak Kelihatan	Siti Munirah Maarof
5	30 Januari 2018	Akta Insolvensi 1967 Menggantikan Akta Kebankrapan 1967	Trevor Jason Mark Padasian
6	5 Februari 2018	SRO	Haji Abdul Murad bin Che Chik
7	6 Februari 2018	Wawasan dan Tip-tip praktikal mengenai Akta Pembayaran dan Adjudikasi Pembinaan	Darshendev Singh Aaina Liyana binti Abd Manaf
8	7 Februari 2018	Pendaftaran Kapal dan Gadai Janji Kapal	Clive Navin Selvapandian
9	8 Februari 2018	Gangguan Seksual	Janice Anne Leo Selvanathan

JAWATANKUASA PELATIH DALAM KAMAR

SESI PENGENALAN UNTUK PELATIH DALAM KAMAR (“SESI PDK”)

Sesi-sesi PDK diadakan pada setiap bulan dan kehadiran setiap pelatih-dalam-kamar (“PDK”) adalah wajib.

Sesi-sesi tersebut bertujuan untuk, inter alia, memperkenalkan PDK kepada peranan-peranan yang dimainkan oleh Bar Malaysia, Majlis Peguam dan Jawatankuasa Bar Kuala Lumpur.

Semasa sesi-sesi tersebut diadakan, PDK juga berjumpa dengan ahli-ahli Jawatankuasa Bar Kuala Lumpur (“KLBC”) di mana mereka boleh menyuarakan sebarang masalah dihadapi semasa tempoh latihan mereka. Pengerusi dan ahli-ahli KLBC juga berpeluang untuk memberikan nasihat dan berkongsi pengalaman mereka dengan PDK mengenai amalan guaman.

Pada tahun ini, sebuah sesi berkenaan dengan kecenderungan tanpa sedar dan gangguan seksual diperkenalkan dengan tujuan untuk mendedahkan PDK kepada isu-isu tersebut. PDK diajar bagaimana untuk mengenal pasti isu-isu tersebut dan langkah-langkah yang boleh diambil untuk menanganinya. Sesi-sesi tersebut dikendalikan oleh beberapa penceramah termasuk Betty Yeoh, salah seorang ahli pengasas organisasi AWAM, Goh Siu Lin, Pengerusi KLBC, Anne Abraham dari LeadWomen dan Yu Ren Chung dari Women’s Aid Organisation.

Sesi-sesi PDK bagi terma ini (setakat 31 Disember 2017) dan statistik yang relevan adalah seperti berikut:

TARIKH	BIL. PDK YANG HADIR
5 April 2017	83
3 Mei 2017	91
7 Jun 2017	83
5 Julai 2017	84
2 Ogos 2017	76
6 September 2017	74
4 Oktober 2017	73
1 November 2017	96
6 December 2017	83

PENGEMASKINIAN VIDEO BAGI SESI PDK

Presentasi video yang disiarkan kepada PDK semasa Sesi PDK juga telah dikemaskinikan untuk dijadikan wadah mengenai sumbangan ahli-ahli Bar Malaysia.

BENGKEL-BENGKEL PDK

Bengkel-bengkel PDK adalah suatu siri bengkel di mana fokusnya adalah untuk menyampaikan kuliah ringkas berkenaan dengan satu bidang amalan guaman bagi melengkapkan PDK dengan pengetahuan praktikal dan kemahiran yang relevan kepada bidang undang-undang tersebut.

Pengerusi

Alvin Oh Seong Yew

Ahli-ahli Jawatankuasa

Chen Yu Szen

Emily Chong Pei Yen

Lim Zi Han

Rajinah Ashwini

Shashi Devan a/l Thalmalingam

Vinu Kamalanathan

TARIKH BENGKEL	TOPIK	PENCERAMAH
6 Julai 2017	Korporat	Addy Herg
9 November 2017	Litigasi Jenayah	Lim Chi Chau Jacky Loi Yap Loong
14 Disember 2017	Korporat	Sheba Gumis

“PUPILS’ LUNCHEON: A TASTE OF THE BAR VII”

Jawatankuasa PDK akan menganjurkan “The Pupils’ Luncheon: A Taste of the Bar VII” pada awal 2018. PDK digalakkan untuk menghadiri acara tersebut untuk makan bersama dengan ahli-ahli kanan yang boleh berkongsi pengalaman dan tinjauan mereka.

BUKU PANDUAN PDK

Pada masa laporan ini disediakan, Buku Panduan PDK sedang disemak dari segi kandungannya dan ia akan merangkumi beberapa pengemaskinian seperti skema CPD bagi PDK.

Bagi menggalakkan usaha “tanpa kertas”, salinan fizikal Buku Panduan PDK tidak akan dicetak. Sebaliknya, Buku Panduan PDK akan dimuat naik ke laman web Bar Kuala Lumpur untuk diakses oleh PDK.

Alvin Oh Seong Yew

Pengerusi

Jawatankuasa Pelatih Dalam Kamar

JAWATANKUASA FIRMA-FIRMA KECIL DAN HAL EHWAL PENGAMAL

Jawatankuasa Firma-firma Kecil dan Hal Ehwai Pengamal (SFPAC”) yang baru sahaja di tubuhkan ini mempunyai beberapa matlamat seperti berikut:

- Menangani isu-isu ‘punca pendapatan’ yang dihadapi oleh para pengamal di Kuala Lumpur;
- Mencari jalan untuk menyelaraskan unsur perniagaan menjadi amalan undang-undang;
- Berusaha untuk membawa firma-firma kecil (lima (5) orang pengamal dan ke bawah) ke dalam era Teknologi Maklumat (IT);
- Berterusan mencari cara untuk memperbaiki keadaan kerja pengamal di Kuala Lumpur.

SFPAC telah melaksanakan aktiviti berikut sepanjang penggal 2017/18:

CADANGAN PENGURUSAN KES MELALUI EMEL

Kami sedang menyediakan kertas kerja untuk pihak Badan Kehakiman berhubung kemungkinan melaksanakan pengurusan kes melalui e-mel di Mahkamah Kuala Lumpur. Jika ia dapat dilaksanakan, masalah tempat letak kereta di Mahkamah Kuala Lumpur akan diselesaikan kerana kami percaya bahawa hampir 80% kereta di Mahkamah Kuala Lumpur setiap pagi di sana adalah untuk pengurusan kes atau sebutan kes.

PENGUMUMAN PENGHAKIMAN MELALUI E-MAIL

Kami amat berminat mengenai pengumuman Penghakiman di Sarawak yang di laksanakan melalui e-mel. Walaupun ia bertentangan dengan peruntukan-peruntukan Akta Mahkamah Kehakiman 1964 yang memperuntukkan Penghakiman diumumkan di Mahkamah terbuka, kami merasakan bahawa jika perkara yang sama dapat dilaksanakan di Kuala Lumpur, ia bukan sahaja akan menjimatkan masa pengamal jalan ke Mahkamah tetapi juga sangat mengurangkan keperluan bagi para pengamal berebut ruang letak kereta yang terhad di Kompleks Mahkamah Kuala Lumpur hanya untuk mendapatkan Penghakiman masing-masing. Kami telah menulis kepada Jawatankuasa Undang-undang Majlis Peguam untuk mendapatkan penjelasan sama ada perkara itu boleh dilaksanakan di Kuala Lumpur. Kami sedang menunggu maklum balas mereka.

FORUM MENGENAI “THE INTRODUCTION TO THE WORLD OF CRYPTOCURRENCY, BLOCKCHAIN AND BITCOIN”

Forum ini diadakan di Auditorium Bar Kuala Lumpur dari 2:30 petang hingga 5:30 petang dengan tiga ahli panel iaitu Kohei Morinaga dari Finatext Group, Suraya Zainudin dari Jawatankuasa Persatuan ACCESS Blockchain dan Jenna Beh Huey Ching dari Bahagian Fintech, MDEC. Forum ini diterima dengan baik sekali dengan penyertaan 81 peserta.

KESIMPULAN DAN PENGHARGAAN

Saya ingin merakamkan ucapan terima kasih dan penghargaan kepada ahli-ahli untuk masa dan sokongan mereka kepada SFPAC.

Alex Anton Netto

Pengerusi

Jawatankuasa Firma-firma Kecil dan Hal Ehwai Pengamal

Pengerusi

Alex Anton Netto

Ahli-ahli Jawatankuasa

Chan Kim Hong

Chen Yu Szen

Chong Pei Yen

Christopher Mar

Daphne Lew Chah Yee

Goh Siu Lin

Grace Chang Lee Ching

Nurul Hikmah binti Abd Khalid

Pang Tek Kit

Zainuddin bin Hj Abdul Razak

Pemerhati

Wan Zafran Pawancheek

JAWATANKUASA REKREASI, SOSIAL DAN KEBUDAYAAN

MAJLIS SILATUL RAHIM PEGUAM KUALA LUMPUR

Acara pertama bagi “teetotallers”, Majlis Silatul Rahim Peguam Kuala Lumpur, telah diadakan pada 22 April 2017 dengan ceramah oleh Azhar Harun a.k.a Art Harun. 20 orang peguam menghadiri acara ini bertempat di Dua by SKOHNS.

MALAM SOSIAL

Acara ini diadakan pada 12 Mei 2017 di MindSpace, 1 Mont Kiara dari 7:30 malam. Ianya adalah satu kejayaan dengan kehadiran 50 orang peguam dan pelatih dalam kamar.

BUKA PUASA POTLUCK DENGAN GELANDANGAN DI SEED

Dianjur bersama dengan Pertubuhan Pembangunan Kebajikan dan Persekitaran Positif Malaysia (SEED), majlis berbuka puasa dengan komuniti gelandangan, orang yang hidup dan terjejas dengan HIV dan transgender telah diadakan pada 13 Jun 2017 di Pejabat SEED di Jalan Tiong Nam, Kuala Lumpur.

KEMPEN DERMA DARAH

Kempen Derma Darah Tahunan ini, dengan bantuan Pusat Darah Negara, telah diadakan pada 14 Ogos 2017 di Aras 2, Kompleks Mahkamah Kuala Lumpur.

Peguam-peguam, kakitangan Mahkamah dan orang awam tampil kedepan untuk menyertai dalam Kempen Derma Darah ini.

Seramai 51 penderma didaftarkan. Walaubagaimanapun hanya 46 orang sahaja yang layak menderma. Lima orang tidak layak menderma darah atas sebab-sebab kurang timbangan berat badan, penyakit darah tinggi atau rendah atau telah bermastautin di United Kingdom dari tahun 1980 sehingga 1996 atau di Eropah diantara tahun 1980 sehingga kini. Sejumlah 46 unit darah telah diterima daripada penderma.

MAJLIS MAKAN MALAM GALA JUBLI PERAK

Majlis Makan Malam Gala Jubli Perak Bar Kuala Lumpur telah dilangsungkan pada 9 September 2017 bertempat di Grand Summit Ballroom @ the Vertical, Connexion Conference and Event Centre, Bangsar South City, Kuala Lumpur, bertema “Nostalgia”. Ia adalah satu malam yang teramat istimewa. Kami meraikan kejayaan gemilang - 25 tahun Bar Kuala Lumpur! Majlis dimulakan dengan persembahan tarian oleh Penari Jemari dan untuk menyuntik perasaan nostalgia kedalam sambutan majlis, penyanyi sensasi Malaysia Nora Ariffin telah menghiburkan hadirin dengan persembahan vokal yang dirindui setelah sekian lama. Kami juga berbangga dengan persembahan bakat-bakat dari kalangan Bar Kuala Lumpur sendiri mendendangkan lagu-lagu nostalgia sepanjang malam.

Tanpa melupakan pengorbanan dan sumbangan para mantan Pengerusi-pengerusi kita yang telah membentuk Bar Kuala Lumpur yang ada kini, kami menghormati setiap mereka di Majlis tersebut.

Terima kasih kepada kemurahan hati penaja-penaja, kami telah memperolehi wang lebih sebanyak RM12,680.04 dan atas sebab masalah teknikal di Grand Summit Ballroom, pihak Connexion Conference and Event Centre telah membuat pembayaran balik sebanyak RM30,000.00. Dengan itu, majlis ini boleh dikatakan amat berjaya kerana mengaut wang lebih sebanyak RM42,680.04. Ia sememangnya satu malam yang teramat istimewa!

Pengerusi

Nik Elin Zurina bt Nik Abdul Rashid

Ahli-ahli Jawatankuasa

Alvin Oh Seong Yew

Atan Mustaffa Yussof Ahmad

Goh Siu Lin

Rachel Tan Mei Chien

Neo Hwee Yong

Daniel Annamalai

Rajsuriyan Pillai

Shugan Raman

Gideon John Luke

Shashi Devan Thalmalingam

Khaizan Sharizad Ab. Razak

Vinu Kamalananthan

PROGRAM KHIDMAT KOMUNITI KUALA LUMPUR

Program khidmat komuniti Kuala Lumpur pertama, disokong oleh Suriana Welfare Society, Wibawa Women, Majlis Kebajikan Kanak-Kanak Malaysia dan Drop & Wash, telah diadakan pada 29 Oktober 2017 di Taman Tasik Dato Keramat, Kuala Lumpur.

Program ini mendapat sambutan baik yang berjaya menarik lebihkurang 200 orang awam. Dalam program ini, kami telah memberikan khidmat nasihat guaman percuma yang bertujuan membantu anak muda yang kurang berkemampuan. Di samping Klinik Bantuan Guaman, aktiviti-aktiviti lain juga diadakan seperti Bengkel Bahasa Inggeris, Kaunseling dan Bimbingan, Kesedaran penganiayaan kanak-kanak (penganiayaan seksual/buli), Menghubungkan anak muda yang menganggur dengan peluang latihan dan pekerjaan dengan SME (Satu Pendaftaran untuk "Program Mentor-Mentee Bersama SME"), Bengkel Mempertahanan Diri dan Memanah.

Jawatankuasa Rekreasi, Sosial dan Kebudayaan ("ReSCu") merekodkan setinggi tinggi penghargaan kepada setiap orang yang menyumbang dengan murah hati terhadap program ini dari segi masa, usaha dan kewangan.

PENGHARGAAN

Saya merakamkan ucapan terima kasih dan penghargaan kepada ahli-ahli ReSCu saya yang telah bekerja keras di belakang tabir untuk memastikan kejayaan projek-projek kami, terutama acara utama kami – Majlis Makan Malam Gala Jubli Perak. Saya juga ingin mengucapkan terima kasih kepada Pegawai Bertanggungjawab, Uvanarajan yang merupakan aset yang luar biasa kepada ReSCu. Terima kasih juga kepada semua ahli Bar Kuala Lumpur atas sokongan yang telah diberikan kepada aktiviti-aktiviti ReSCu.

Nik Elin Zurina bt Nik Abdul Rashid

Pengerusi

Jawatankuasa Rekreasi, Sosial dan Kebudayaan

JAWATANKUASA SUKAN

PERTANDINGAN POOL TERBUKA BAR KUALA LUMPUR KE-3

Pertandingan ini telah diadakan pada 7 Januari 2017 di Five Star Pool & Bar, SS15, Menara Subang Square Corporate, Subang Jaya. Ia merupakan pertandingan berpasukan menggunakan sistem handikap untuk menggalakkan penyertaan di kalangan pemain-pemain baru. Seramai 10 pasangan telah berdaftar untuk bermain dan peringkat akhir telah dilangsungkan pada 19 Januari 2017.

Terdapat hanya satu regu campuran dan satu regu wanita. Mereka membuat kejutan apabila kedua pasukan ini layak ke peringkat separuh akhir, menewaskan beberapa pasangan pilihan.

Pusingan separuh akhir adalah menakjubkan, dengan satu kemenangan berat sebelah dengan mata 8-0 dengan pasangan beregu wanita kalah 6-9 selepas mendahului 6-5 dan mereka hanya memerlukan satu lagi bingkai untuk menang. Perlawanan terakhir itu adalah berwaspada walaupun ditaburi dengan beberapa "safety shots" yang baik dan beberapa "kick shots". Akhirnya, Michael Tan Ching Hooi dan Eugene Teo menjadi pemenang dengan mata 9-6!

Finalis Separuh Akhir

1. Syed Ismit Putra bin Syed Mohd Fuad dan Effa Ruzanna binti Anuar (Kedudukan D)
2. Elaine Tan dan Natasha Louis (Kedudukan C)

Naib Juara

Sean Yeow Huang-Meng dan Peter-Douglas Ling (Kedudukan A)

Juara

Michael Tan Ching Hooi dan Eugene Teo (Kedudukan B)

LARIAN BAR KUALA LUMPUR 2017

Larian Bar Kuala Lumpur 2017 telah diadakan pada 15 Januari 2017 di Taman Tasik Perdana. Suatu rekod memecahkan jumlah 93 pasukan dengan 372 pelari yang terdiri daripada ahli-ahli Bar, pelatih dalam kamar dan siswazah undang-undang mengambil bahagian dalam acara ini.

Larian ini dimulakan pada 7:00 pagi oleh Pengerusi Jawatankuasa Bar Kuala Lumpur ketika itu, Ravin Singh. Pasukan Speedy Gonzalez muncul sebagai juara. Naib juara pertama dan naib juara kedua masing masing adalah Pasukan MO4 dan Pasukan Front Runners (Shearn Delamore & Co).

Aungerah Berpakaian Paling Beragam dimenangi oleh Pasukan DOH! (Chooi & Co) yang datang berpakaian sebagai watak dari The Simpsons. Manakala, tempat kedua telah dimenangi oleh Pasukan ADJ dan tempat ketiga dimenangi oleh Pasukan Agony of Defeat.

Hadiah-hadiah juga diberikan kepada pasukan tercepat keempat dan kelima serta tiga pelari individu lelaki dan perempuan yang terpantas. Pasukan "We Thought It Was KL Bar Rum" muncul sebagai pemenang untuk kategori Nama Terbaik.

SUKAN BAR KUALA LUMPUR-SELANGOR KE-16

Sukan Bar Kuala Lumpur-Selangor Ke-16 telah diadakan pada 21 Januari 2017 di Kompleks Sukan Persada PLUS dengan Bar Selangor sebagai tuan rumahnya. Bar Kuala Lumpur muncul

Pengerusi

Chen Yu Szen

Ahli-ahli Jawatankuasa

Aimee Lee Kim Moong

Alwin Rajasurya

Anand Ponnudurai

Andrea Wong Jie Wei

Aneera Chowdhury

Aric Wong Fong Chin

Chairmaine Lee

Cheng Kie Hong

Chin How Yee, Chloe

H R Dipendra

Hui Chun San, Sam

James F C Fong

Karthigaibalan a/l Kanthabalan

Kee Pei Yong, Susean

Kenneth Yoong Ken Chinson St James

Lee Kah Yent

Lilian Lee

Melissa Tiang

Michelle Khor

Muhendaran Suppiah

Peter-Douglas Ling

Ravinder Singh Dhaliwal

Sathyananthan Sinnappan

Shankar Govinth Balachandran

Sivaruben a/l R Balasekaran

Sri Sarguna Raj

Sundaradevan Ramachandran

Susanah Ng Sing Mei

Sylvester Low Vinzen

Wan Syariahah binti Razman

dengan kejayaan bersih yang tidak pernah berlaku sebelum ini. Bar Kuala Lumpur muncul sebagai juara keseluruhan dengan mata 7-0, memenangi dalam acara golf, bola jaring, bola tampar, badminton, futsal wanita, futsal lelaki dan bola sepak untuk mengangkat Piala Pusingan Lal Singh Muker. Majlis Makan Malam dan Upacara Pemberian Hadiah diadakan di Kafeteria , Kompleks Sukan Persada PLUS dan mendapat sambutan yang baik daripada para peserta Bar Kuala Lumpur.

PERTANDINGAN FUTSAL BAR KUALA LUMPUR KE-5

Pertandingan ini telah diadakan di Samba De Futsa, Petaling Jaya pada 6 Mei 2017. Sebanyak 23 pasukan (20 pasukan lelaki dan 3 pasukan wanita) mengambil bahagian dalam pertandingan tersebut dan pemenang-pemenang adalah:

Kategori Lelaki

- Juara – Morior Invictus
- Naib Juara Pertama – Enjol Troopers
- Naib Juara Kedua – Dark Horses

Kategori Wanita

- Juara – The Outlaws
- Naib Juara – KTT

Kategori Plat Lelaki

- Juara – CPD FC
- Naib Juara – ZICO

Pemain Terbaik Lelaki – Krishnamogan

SUKAN ANTARA BAR-BAR NEGERI

Dianjurkan oleh Jawatankuasa Bar Kedah, Sukan antara Bar-Bar Negeri ini dilangsungkan pada 19 Ogos 2017. Bar Kuala Lumpur muncul sebagai juara keseluruhan dan keputusan-keputusan adalah seperti berikut:

NO	SUKAN	KEDUDUKAN BAR KUALA LUMPUR
1	Golf	Tempat Pertama
2	Bola Sepak	Tempat Ketiga
3	Bola Tampar	Tempat Pertama
4	Futsal Wanita	Tempat Pertama
5	Bola Jaring	Tempat Pertama
6	Badminton	Tempat Kedua
7	Damak	Tempat Ketiga dan Keempat

SUKAN BAR TRIPARTIT 2017

Sukan Bar Tripartit antara Bar Malaysia, Persatuan Peguambela Sarawak dan Pertubuhan Undang-Undang Sabah tahun ini dihoskan oleh Bar Malaysia dan dilangsungkan di Kuala Lumpur pada 6 dan 7 Oktober 2017.

Bar Kuala Lumpur diberi keistimewaan untuk menganjurkan Sukan ini sempena Perayaan Ulang Tahun ke-25 tahun ini dan ia telah memilih Universiti Malaya sebagai tempat untuk kebanyakan sukan yang dimainkan.

Sukan tahun ini melibatkan acara sukan kompetitif berikut - golf, futsal wanita, merentas desa, badminton, bola keranjang, bola sepak dan bowling. Ketiga-tiga Bar juga turut mengambil bahagian dalam tiga acara sukan tidak kompetitif – pool, damak dan “boat race”.

Bar Malaysia memenangi semua acara sukan kompetitif kecuali bola sepak yang kita seri dengan Pertubuhan Undang-Undang Sabah dan muncul sebagai juara keseluruhan dan mempertahankan Piala Juara Keseluruhan Sukan Bar Tripartit.

KARNIVAL SUKAN KE 26 – BAR KUALA LUMPUR LWN KELAB DIRAJA SELANGOR

Kelab DiRaja Selangor menjadi tuan rumah untuk Karnival Sukan Ke 26 antara Bar Kuala Lumpur dengan Kelab DiRaja Selangor bagi Piala Pusingan YA Tan Sri Dato' Harun Hashim. Semua sukan berlangsung pada 28 Oktober 2017 kecuali damak yang berlangsung pada 25 Oktober 2017. Kelab DiRaja Selangor mengalahkan Bar Kuala Lumpur 4-3, memenangi acara damak, kriket, bola sepak dan Hoki untuk menjadi juara keseluruhan. Bar Kuala Lumpur memenangi badminton, pool/snuker dan "boat race". Majlis Makan Malam dan Upacara Pemberian Hadiah mendapat sambutan yang baik.

PERTANDINGAN BOLA SEPAK 7-SEBELAH PIALA PERINGATAN THAYALAN

Dihidupkan semula selepas 11 tahun, pertandingan ini telah dilangsungkan di New Camp, Bandar Utama, Petaling Jaya pada 16 Disember 2017. Sebanyak 14 pasukan (12 Lelaki dan 2 Wanita) mengambil bahagian dalam pertandingan tersebut dan pemenang-pemenang adalah:

- Juara – Jingli Nona FC
- Naib Juara Pertama – Trialist
- Naib Juara Kedua – Tangguh Sebentar FC
- Naib Juara Ketiga – Jamboo FC
- Penjaring gol terbanyak – Syafiq (Trialist)
- Pemain terbaik – Mohammad Hafiz bin Razman (Trialist)

PERTANDINGAN POOL TERBUKA BAR KUALA LUMPUR KE-4 (10 BOLA - PERSEORANGAN)

Pertandingan ini akan diadakan pada 6 Januari 2018 dengan makanan dan minuman ringan di 5ive Star Pool & Bar, SS15, Subang Square Corporate Tower, Subang Jaya.

LARIAN BAR KUALA LUMPUR 2018

Larian ini akan diadakan di Taman Tasik Perdana Kuala Lumpur pada 21 Januari 2018.

PERTANDINGAN BOWLING BAR KUALA LUMPUR KE-3

Pertandingan ini akan diadakan di U Bowl, One Utama, Bandar Utama Damansara pada 27 Januari 2018.

SUKAN BAR KUALA LUMPUR-SELANGOR KE-17

Tahun ini adalah giliran Bar Kuala Lumpur untuk menjadi tuan rumah bagi siri ini dan ia akan diadakan pada 3 Februari 2018, tempat dan masa akan dikesahkan kelak. Sukan-sukan yang dilangsungkan dalam siri lepas adalah golf, bola jaring, bola tampar, badminton, futsal wanita, futsal lelaki dan bola sepak.

Chen Yu Szen

Pengerusi

Jawatankuasa Sukan

JAWATANKUASA PEGUAM MUDA

Jawatankuasa Peguam Muda ("YLC") mewakili dan menggalakkan kepentingan-kepentingan peguam-peguam muda di Kuala Lumpur.

Tujuan YLC adalah untuk:

1. Menggalakkan dan mempertahankan kepentingan dan kebajikan peguam-peguam muda di Kuala Lumpur;
2. Menyediakan ruang untuk merangsang semangat keakraban antara peguam-peguam muda di Kuala Lumpur dengan keseluruhan ahli Bar Malaysia dan juga dengan individu-individu yang bukan ahli Bar Malaysia;
3. Menegakkan keadilan;
4. Memupuk amalan terbaik dalam profesion.

Jawatankuasa-Jawatankuasa kecil YLC telah diubah dan dinamakan semula kepada empat bidang utama iaitu:

1. Kebajikan dan Keadilan Sosial;
2. Perkembangan dan Kemajuan Kerjaya;
3. Latihan dan Kemasukan Badan Peguam; dan
4. Perangkaian Dalam dan Di Luar Badan Peguam.

Ahli-ahli YLC didorong untuk mengemukakan apa-apa idea-idea untuk aktiviti-aktiviti dan mereka diberikan kebebasan untuk menjalankan aktiviti-aktiviti tersebut.

Aktiviti-aktiviti yang telah dijalankan pada tahun ini adalah:

YLC RETREAT

Ini merupakan suatu aktiviti bagi memupuk kerjasama antara ahli-ahli YLC yang baru dan bagi menentukan misi dan visi YLC. Ahli-ahli YLC yang juga akan membuat dan menyediakan rancangan 5-tahun untuk YLC. Aktiviti ini telah diadakan di Resort Seri Pegantin di Janda Baik, Pahang pada 22 dan 23 April 2017. Seramai 28 orang yang hadir.

EXPO UNDANG-UNDANG MALAYSIA ("LEXPO")

YLC telah membuka suatu meja di LEXPO Ke-3 yang diadakan pada 29 April 2017 di Universiti Malaya bagi tujuan mengenalkan dan mewujudkan kehadiran YLC kepada pelajar-pelajar dan ahli-ahli baru Badan Peguam.

MAJLIS IFTAR BERSAMA PELARIAN-PELARIAN ISLAM ROHINGYA DAN MYANMAR

Majlis Iftar bersama 500 orang pelarian-pelarian Islam Rohingya dan Myanmar diadakan pada 18 Jun 2017 di Humanitarian Aid Selangor (dahulunya dikenali sebagai MyWelfare Centre), 14 Jalan 4, Selayang Baru, (Pasar Borong Selayang Lama) 68100 Batu Caves. YLC berjaya mendapatkan sumbangan sebanyak RM2,710 untuk majlis ini.

UJI BAKAT MALAM AMAL

Acara uji bakat penghibur untuk Malam Amal ini diadakan di Drum Asia pada 25 Ogos 2017 dari 8:00 malam hingga 10:00 malam.

Pengerusi
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**Setiausaha Agung Bersama
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Emily Chong Pei Yen
Michael Leong Wei Xin

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Perkembangan dan Kemajuan
Kerjaya**
Muhamad Izwan bin Ishak
Vivian Kuan Hui Xian

**Setiausaha Agung
Latihan dan Kemasukan Badan
Peguam**
Fiona Lim Cho Ching

**Setiausaha Agung Bersama
Perangkaian Dalam dan Di Luar
Badan Peguam**
Louis Liaw Vern Xien
Shugan Raman

**Wakil ke Jawatankuasa Peguam
Muda Nasional**
Rajsurian Pillai a/l Chellappa Pillai

SOSIAL MENJELANG HARI MERDEKA UNTUK PEGUAM DAN PELATIH DALAM KAMAR

Acara ini diadakan di Modern Society, DC Mall, Pusat Bandar Damansara pada 30 Ogos 2017 dari 8:30 malam sehingga lewat. Lebih dari 100 ahli Badan Peguam dan Pelatih Dalam Kamar hadir pada acara ini.

MALAM AMAL

Malam Amal Ke-13 ini diadakan pada 10 November 2017 di Makespace, Quill City Mall dari 7:00 malam hingga 10:00 malam. Sebanyak 11 persembahan diadakan dan lebih dari RM40,000.00 telah dikutip. Benifisiari untuk tahun ini adalah "Cleft Lip and Palate Association of Malaysia (CLAPAM)".

SEMINAR-SEMINAR DAN BENGKEL-BENGKEL

Setakat 31 Disember 2017, kami telah menganjurkan empat (4) seminar dan bengkel seperti berikut:

NO.	TARIKH	TOPIK/BUTIR-BUTIR	PENCERAMAH-PENCERAMAH
1.	15 Julai 2017	"Sexual Harassment Awareness Training"	Yu Ren Chung Daniella Zulkifli
2.	5 Ogos 2017	"Lawyered but not Financially Battered"	Aaron Tang Shen Lee (Blog Mr Stingy's) Julian Ng (Bekas penyampai dan penerbit di BFM) Alex Anton Netto
3.	26 Ogos 2017	"CVs, Cover Letters and Job Interviews: Do's & Don'ts"	Mohd Izral Khairy Richard Wee Thiam Seng Jamie Wong Siew Min
4.	4 Disember 2017	"Criminal Litigation in the United States of America"	Thomas C. Goldstein ("Appellate Advocate, US Supreme Court") New Sin Yew

AKTIVITI-AKTIVITI AKAN DATANG

NO.	TARIKH	BUTIR-BUTIR	PENCERAMAH-PENCERAMAH
1.	20 January 2018	"Habits Of A Highly Effective Lawyer Collaboration with eLawyer"	Lau Kee Sern Shawn Ho Eddie Law
2.	27 January 2018	"Business Development for Lawyers: Building Your Career Beyond Legal Skills"	Foong Cheng Leong Lee Shih
3.	TBC	"An Introduction to Arbitration"	TBC
4.	TBC	"Arbitration Camp"	TBC

PENGHARGAAN

Aktiviti-aktiviti dan projek-projek YLC tidak akan berjaya tanpa sumbangan, usaha dan sokongan ahli-ahlinya.

New Sin Yew

Pengerusi

Jawatankuasa Peguam Muda

PUSAT BANTUAN GUAMAN MAJLIS PEGUAM (KUALA LUMPUR)

1. LAPORAN PANEL PENGURUSAN

Kerjasama baru, Maju Kehadapan, Sibuk, Sibuk dan Sibuk!

Ayat diatas jelas sekali dapat merumuskan tahun 2017 bagi Pusat Bantuan Guaman Majlis Peguam (Kuala Lumpur) ("LAC") yang telah untuk kesekian kalinya membuktikan keberanian dengan bangkit pada setiap kesempatan yang ada.

Saya bersyukur dan berterima kasih kepada LAC dan semua yang telah meletakkan keyakinan terhadap saya sewaktu saya memulakan penggal pertama saya sebagai Pengerusi bagi tahun 2017. Ucapan terima kasih setulus hati ditujukan kepada mereka yang telah memberikan saya peluang menjadi sebahagian daripada LAC dalam tahun yang mengujakan ini dan membolehkan saya memainkan peranan yang aktif dalam usaha ini. Saya berasa bangga dengan kejayaan-kejayaan yang telah dicapai oleh LAC dalam tahun 2017 yang singkat ini. Biar saya mulakan dengan menamakan sedikit sebanyak kejayaan yang dicapai oleh LAC seperti yang berikut:-

I Kerjasama-kerjasama Baru

A. Skim Bantuan Guaman Rakyat Thai (T-CLAS)

Dalam menyediakan satu (1) skim perkhidmatan bantuan guaman yang dinamik dan aktivis, LAC dan Kedutaan Diraja Thai telah bangkit untuk membentuk T-CLAS. T-CLAS adalah merupakan satu skim dimana para peguam kami memberikan perkhidmatan perwakilan guaman kepada rakyat Thai di Malaysia dan para peguam tersebut dibayar daripada satu pembiayaan yang diberikan oleh Kedutaan Diraja Thailand di Kuala Lumpur. Kadar bayaran tersebut adalah gabungan sebahagian besar daripada kadar bayaran YBGK sediaada. T-CLAS telah dilancarkan secara rasmi oleh Duta bagi Kedutaan Diraja Thai di Kuala Lumpur pada 29 November 2017 dan akan diikuti oleh satu sidang media yang akan diadakan pada 13 Disember 2017 di Kedutaan Diraja Thai bersama wakil dari Majlis Peguam Malaysia. Dengan adanya skim ini, dalam visi kami, kami berharap agar lebih banyak Kedutaan akan tampil ke hadapan bagi menubuhkan skim yang sama seperti ini bersama LAC supaya kami dapat mewakili semua warga asing yang terjejas didalam sistem pengadilan.

B. Kongres Kesatuan Pekerja Malaysia (MTUC)

Sebagai tambahan kepada klinik-klinik bantuan guaman sediaada yang telah ditubuhkan bersama rakan-rakan kongsi kami, kami dengan rasa sukacita, ingin melaporkan bahawa satu klinik bantuan guaman telah ditubuhkan dengan kerjasama MTUC. MTUC adalah merupakan satu persekutuan bagi kesatuan pekerja dan memiliki objektif yang antara lainnya adalah untuk menambahbaik kegiatan ekonomi dan kondisi sosial para pekerja. Kami memulakan program tersebut dengan hanya sepuluh (10) orang pelatih dalam kamar bagi kumpulan yang pertama dan jumlah tersebut telah meningkat kepada dua puluh (20) orang bagi kumpulan kedua seterusnya kepada tiga puluh (30) orang bagi kumpulan ketiga. Pergerakan ini dilaksanakan hasil daripada maklumbalas positif yang diberikan oleh para pelatih dalam kamar kami terhadap program ini dan juga hasil daripada permintaan yang diterima daripada MTUC untuk meningkatkan jumlah pelatih dalam kamar yang terlibat. Kami yakin bahawa para pelatih dalam kamar kami yang telah mendaftarkan diri untuk turut serta dalam klinik bantuan guaman ini akan menjadi lebih peka terhadap isu-isu pelanggaran hak-hak pekerja, baik pekerja-pekerja warganegara Malaysia mahupun pekerja-pekerja warga asing dan kami juga

Pengerusi

Collin Arvind Andrew

Setiausaha Kehormat

Terrence Lee Ro Hui

Timbalan Setiausaha Kehormat

Rajeswari Paramasevan

Bendahari

Chan Yen Hui

Ahli-ahli Panel

Ravi Nekoo

Harleen Kaur

Joachim Francis Xavier

Kenneth Koh Zhong Wey

Arun Kumar a/l S. Kanesin

Abd Shukor Tokachil

Kasthuri a/p Krishnan

berharap agar lebih ramai pelatih dalam kamar dapat menegakkan hak-hak para pekerja tersebut pada masa akan datang.

C. Universiti-universiti

Kerjasama kami bersama Universiti-universiti, lebih-lebih lagi Kolej Universiti KDU, membenarkan kami untuk menanamkan falsafah bantuan guaman supaya apabila mereka telah diterima masuk sebagai Peguambela dan Peguamcara, mereka akan sedar kepentingan kedudukan mereka yang boleh mengubah kehidupan ramai orang diluarsana yang tidak memperoleh akses kepada pengadilan. Dengan itu, kami berharap agar mereka akan menawarkan perkhidmatan mereka samada di LAC mahupun dengan keupayaan mereka sendiri dalam memberikan bantuan kepada kumpulan ini. Seterusnya, kami juga melakukan yang terbaik untuk menerapkan nilai-nilai ini dan menjadikan pelatih dalam kamar yang menjalani tempoh latihan bantuan guaman selama empat belas (14) hari, agar lebih peka dengan dengan kesukaran yang dihadapi oleh komuniti-komuniti yang tidak memperoleh akses kepada pengadilan.

II Sibuk, Sibuk dan Sibuk!

LAC yang juga bertindak sebagai Sekretariat YBGK telah berkhidmat selama bertahun-tahun, dan dengan kerjasama ramai rakan kongsi dan sukarelawan, akan terus-menerus melakukannya. Dedikasi kami dilampirkan pada setiap laporan yang disediakan dan ini akan memperlihatkan sendiri jumlah dedikasi yang diberikan oleh setiap kakitangan LAC, para peguam sukarelawan, para pelatih dalam kamar dan semua yang terlibat dalam kejayaan LAC yang sentiasa bertali arus.

III Pengiktirafan

Kini pujian harus diberikan kepada mereka yang terlibat. Dengan itu, saya ingin mengucapkan ribuan terima kasih kepada setiap seorang kakitangan LAC untuk dedikasi yang telah mereka tunjukkan dalam bebanan kerja seharian mereka dan waktu kerja tambahan yang telah mereka sumbangkan melebihi dari jumlah jam kerja yang sepatutnya, dalam melaksanakan pelbagai program dan aktiviti yang telah kami adakan. Ucapan terima kasih khas ditujukan buat Pengarah Eksekutif iaitu Puan Stephanie Bastian, yang telah menjadikan tugas saya sebagai Pengerusi lebih mudah lebih-lebih lagi dalam menjalankan kerja sehari-harian bagi pentadbiran Pusat dan menyusunatur aktiviti-aktiviti di LAC.

Saya berterima kasih kepada kesemua Pemegang Jawatan dan ahli Panel Pengurusan di LAC yang tidak putus-putus menyokong jawatankuasa masing-masing, program-program dan aktiviti-aktiviti yang dilaksanakan di LAC.

Saya juga mengucapkan terima kasih kepada ahli-ahli kanan Majlis Peguam seperti Ravi Nekoo, Ravin Singh, Harleen Kaur atas segala sokongan dan masa yang telah mereka berikan.

Dan tidak lupa juga kepada semua peguam dan pelatih dalam kamar yang telah memberikan bantuan kepada LAC, terima kasih untuk kesemua sokongan dan masa yang telah anda sumbangkan.

Sebagai kesimpulannya, izinkan saya mengambil petikan daripada sebuah lagu bertajuk Encore yang dinyanyikan oleh Jay Z: "Thank you, thank you, thank you, you're far too kind!"

IV Maju Ke hadapan

Akhir sekali, izinkan saya untuk berkongsi bersama anda semua satu berita baik. Lebih kurang pada Oktober 2017 yang lalu, LAC telah diberitahu bahawa Majlis Peguam telah berjaya memperolehi pemilikan kosong di Wisma Straits Trading yang terletak di satu lokasi strategik dan boleh diakses melalui beberapa mod pengangkutan awam. KLLAC adalah merupakan salah satu daripada dua LAC yang terdapat di Semenanjung Malaysia yang tidak memiliki premis tersendiri. Adalah amat penting bagi LAC untuk memiliki premis tersendiri kerana LAC terletak di ibu kota dan perlu menampung sejumlah besar mereka-mereka yang memerlukan khidmat bantuan guaman. Kos sewaan yang tinggi digabungkan bersama lain-lain perbelanjaan sampingan yang diperlukan untuk memelihara dan mengekalkan premis adalah sesuatu yang tidak dapat dijangka oleh LAC. Sehubungan dengan itu, dengan pemberitahuan yang dibuat oleh Majlis Peguam dan dengan rasa sukacita, LAC melaporkan bahawa kami kini telah memiliki premis kami tersendiri untuk terus berkhidmat kepada rakyat dengan lebih baik dan mengadakan lebih banyak aktiviti dengan tidak perlu merasa gusar atau bimbang lagi tentang pembaziran wang. Jelas sekali hal ini adalah merupakan satu langkah untuk maju ke hadapan melalui arah yang betul dan kami berasa teruja untuk membuat perancangan dan perincian yang perlu untuk berpindah ke premis yang kini dengan bangganya kami boleh memanggilya sebagai premis kami sendiri dalam tempoh beberapa bulan akan datang.

Sekian, terima kasih.

Colin Arvind Andrew

Pengerusi

Pusat Bantuan Guaman Majlis Peguam (Kuala Lumpur)

**2. PUSAT BANTUAN GUAMAN MAJLIS PEGUAM KUALA LUMPUR (“LAC”)
LAPORAN TAHUNAN JANUARI HINGGA OKTOBER 2017**

STATISTIK KLIEN

A. KLIEN LAC

A.	KLINIK/PROGRAM	KLIEN 2016 (JAN-DIS)	KLIEN 2017 (JAN-OKT)
1.	Tahanan Reman Sungai Buloh (bukan warganegara)	3	-
2.	Kajang Wanita (bukan warganegara)	-	-
3.	Kajang Lelaki (bukan warganegara)	1	19
4.	LAC “Walk in” Klien	1991	1721
5.	Klinik Syariah	46	39
6.	LAC/SIS	420	435
7.	LAC/AWAM	425	193
8.	LAC/WAO	103	294
9.	LAC/Tenaganita	5641	3748
10.	LAC/UNHCR	3034	1542
	Jumlah	11664	7991

B. KLIEN YBGK

B.	KLINIK/PROGRAM	KLIEN 2016 (JAN-DIS)	KLIEN 2017 (JAN-OKT)
1.	Tahanan Reman Sungai Buloh (Warganegara)	194	246
2.	Kajang Wanita (Warganegara)	138	50
3.	Kajang Kanak-kanak (Warganegara)	360	194
4.	Kajang Lelaki (Warganegara)	7	6
5.	YBGK Walk in Klien	755	720
6.	Tangkapan	4	-
7.	Reman	16559	10855
8.	Jamin	193	3
9.	Mitigasi	616	29
10.	Rumah Tahanan Reman Kanak-kanak	13	-
11.	Program Dock Brief	2699	2780
	Jumlah	21538	14883

C. KLIEN-KLIEN LAC + YBGK

C.	JUMLAH KESELURUHAN KLIEN LAC & YBGK	KLIEN 2016 (JAN-DIS)	KLIEN 2017 (JAN-OKT)
1.	Jumlah Kecil Klien LAC	11664	7991
2.	Jumlah Kecil Klien YBGK	21538	14883
3.	Jumlah Besar Klien LAC & YBGK	33202	22874

STATISTIK UNTUK FAIL

		SETAKAT DISEMBER 2016			SETAKAT OKTOBER 2017		
	KATEGORI	DIBUKA	DITUGASKAN/ SELESAI	TIDAK DITUGASKAN	DIBUKA	DITUGASKAN/ SELESAI	TIDAK DITUGASKAN
A	File LAC						
1	Fail Jenayah	6	6	-	3	3	-
2	Fail Pekerjaan LAC	19	19	-	18	18	-
3	Fail Keluarga LAC	49	49	-	21	19	2
4	Fail Syariah	1	1	-	3	3	-
5	Fail Lain-lain	1	1	-	1	1	-
6	Fail Sivil	-	-	-	2	2	-
	Jumlah BCLAC(KL)	76	76	-	48	46	2

B		SETAKAT DISEMBER 2016			SETAKAT OKTOBER 2017		
	FAIL YBGK - JENAYAH	DIBUKA	DITUGASKAN/ SELESAI	TIDAK DITUGASKAN	DIBUKA	DITUGASKAN/ SELESAI	TIDAK DITUGASKAN
1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • YBGK Fail LAC Walk in • YBGK Fail Penjara • Surat Mahkamah 	194	196	1	189	184	6
		108	115	1	64	59	6
		321	349	4	49	53	-
	Jumlah YBGK	623	660	6	302	296	12

C		DIBUKA	DITUGASKAN/ SELESAI	TIDAK DITUGASKAN	DIBUKA	DITUGASKAN/ SELESAI	TIDAK DITUGASKAN
1	Jumlah LAC Files	76	76	-	48	46	2
2	Jumlah YBGK Files	623	660	6	302	296	12
3	Jumlah Keseluruhan LAC & YBGK Files	699	736	6	350	342	14

3. LAPORAN PROGRAM KESEDARAN UNDANG-UNDANG

Disediakan oleh Sekretariat LAC

Ketua Projek Bersama

Joachim Francis Xavier

Kenneth Koh Zhong Wey

Pengenalan

Program Kesedaran Undang-Undang dijalankan oleh Pusat Bantuan Guaman Majlis Peguam untuk menggalakkan kesedaran dan pemahaman yang lebih mendalam di kalangan pelatih peguam tentang kepentingan kerja bantuan guaman melalui Program Bantuan Guaman wajib. Program Kesedaran Undang-Undang ini memberikan tujuan yang sangat penting dalam menyediakan pelatih-pelatih peguam untuk apa yang diharapkan dari mereka selama 14 hari tugas guaman mereka, dan dalam membantu mereka menamatkan tugas mereka setelah selesai dengan menyusun pelajaran yang mereka pelajari secara komprehensif.

Matlamat

Tujuan Program Kesedaran Undang-Undang adalah untuk mendidik pelatih-pelatih peguam mengenai tanggungjawab sosial mereka sebagai penyokong dan peguamcara pada masa depan. Matlamat ini dapat dicapai dengan mendedahkan pelajar kepada idea mengenai isu-isu semasa, konsep hak asasi manusia, dan tugas mereka terhadap masyarakat sebagai pengamal undang-undang dalam menegakkan undang-undang.

Aktiviti-Aktiviti

Sehingga 30 November 2017, aktiviti Program Kesedaran Undang-Undang telah dirancang sebagai beberapa Sesi Orientasi yang diadakan pada permulaan (Sesi Pengenalan) dan pada akhir (Sesi Penilaian Keluar) Program Bantuan Guaman.

Sesi-sesi ini menggabungkan kedua-dua aktiviti dan ceramah kumpulan yang memberi tumpuan kepada menyediakan pelatih-pelatih peguam untuk Program Bantuan Guaman dengan memperluaskan kesedaran sosial mereka serta pengetahuan teknikal undang-undang. Sesi ini bertujuan untuk mendidik pelatih peguam mengenai penggunaan undang-undang yang betul, dan juga mengajar mereka kemahiran insaniah yang diperlukan untuk mengurus pelanggan mereka.

a) Sesi Pengenalan

Ahli-ahli Jawatankuasa telah mengadakan lapan (8) sesi Pengenalan untuk melatih pelatih-pelatih peguam dari "Batch" 90 hingga 94. Latihan difokuskan kepada peningkatan kesedaran mengenai isu-isu hak asasi manusia dan memperkenalkan pelatih-pelatih peguam kepada pelbagai program yang dikendalikan oleh Pusat Bantuan Guaman Kuala Lumpur ("KLLAC"). Sesi-sesi ini menggunakan kaedah penyertaan dengan menggalakkan perbincangan terbuka dan penerokaan dinamik kumpulan.

Melalui sesi orientasi ini, para peserta diajar untuk melihat pelanggan mereka bukan hanya dari perspektif pengamal undang-undang, tetapi sebagai seorang manusia biasa dengan masalah kehidupan sebenar. Memandangkan KLLAC mempunyai pelbagai jenis klien yang menghadapi pelbagai isu undang-undang, adalah penting untuk murid memahami cara yang betul untuk berurusan dengan klien yang berbeza dan cara menerapkan kaedah ini untuk menangani pelanggan dengan berkesan. Pelatih peguam juga diberi taklimat mengenai pelbagai bantuan bantuan undang-undang yang kini dijalankan oleh KLLAC, dan diberi peluang untuk memohon untuk menyertai program yang mereka berminat.

Pada masa lalu, anggota Jawatankuasa Bar KL, Kenneth Koh Zhong Wey, Joachim Francis Xavier dan Vernon Samuel telah bertindak sebagai fasilitator untuk sesi orientasi ini. Mereka adalah penceramah yang cemerlang yang menerima ulasan terperinci dari pelatih-pelatih peguam pada setiap sesi.

b) Sesi Penilaian Keluar

Sebanyak lapan Sesi Penilaian Keluar juga diadakan dari "Batches" 90 hingga 93. Sesi-sesi ini direka untuk menggalakkan pelatih-pelatih peguam untuk membincangkan pengalaman mereka sepanjang tempoh program bantuan guaman mereka, dan untuk mengumpulkan input dan maklumbalas tentang bagaimana program-program ini dapat diperbaiki. Pelatih peguam juga diberikan peluang untuk mendaftarkan diri dan mengambil bahagian lagi sebagai ahli pasukan Bantuan Guaman sebagai peguam yang berkelayakan di masa depan.

Adalah diharapkan bahawa Sesi Penilaian Keluar ini akan membantu murid menyelesaikan empat belas hari mereka dengan wawasan yang lebih baik mengenai kepentingan Program Bantuan Guaman sebagai alat untuk membangunkan komuniti negara kita secara keseluruhan.

Kesimpulan

Oleh kerana bilangan pelatih peguam meningkat setiap tahun, 2017 menjadi tahun yang sangat sibuk untuk Jawatankuasa ini. Jawatankuasa berharap ahli-ahlinya akan terus menunjukkan sokongan, komitmen dan dedikasi mereka untuk menjalankan Program ini pada tahun-tahun akan datang.

4. LAPORAN PROGRAM DOCK BRIEF

Disediakan oleh Sekretariat LAC

Ketua Projek

Collin Arvind Andrew

Pengenalan

Program Dock Brief dimulakan pada tahun 1989 di Mahkamah Majistret Jalan Raja. Pada mulanya, ia bermula dengan hanya 4 orang pelatih dalam kamar untuk bertugas di dua mahkamah. Kini, ia telah meliputi 14 mahkamah di mana 75 pelatih dalam kamar akan ditugaskan untuk membantu klien tempatan, klien dari negara asing dan termasuk klien juvana.

Para pelatih dalam kamar telah diperengkapkan dengan latihan-latihan untuk membangunkan kemahiran-kemahiran advokasi dan sesi temu bual. Perkhidmatan untuk kes-kes Jenayah yang diliputi dalam program ini termasuk mitigasi, permohonan ikat jamin dan lain-lain nasihat yang berkaitan.

Untuk memastikan para pelatih dalam kamar telah dilengkapi dengan pengetahuan dan kemahiran yang lengkap, peguam-peguam yang berpengalaman akan dijemput oleh pihak ahli jawatankuasa untuk mengadakan sesi latihan. Pada tahun ini, Encik T Vijay telah dijemput oleh ahli jawatankuasa untuk mengadakan sesi-sesi latihan tersebut. Selain daripada latihan-latihan yang diberikan oleh para peguam yang berpengalaman, para ahli jawatankuasa juga mengadakan Role Play dan Mock Trial dalam latihan-latihan tersebut untuk memastikan para pelatih dalam kamar mempunyai pemahaman dan pengenalan yang lebih dalam terhadap program Dock Brief.

Sehingga ke separuh tahun 2017, ahli jawatankuasa telah mengadakan:-

1. empat (4) program latihan Dock Brief untuk pelatih-pelatih dalam kamar dari kumpulan 90, 91, 92 dan 93. Seramai 295 pelatih-pelatih dalam kamar telah menghadiri latihan-latihan tersebut.
2. empat (4) Ulasan Separuh Penggal (Mid Term Reviews) untuk para pelatih dalam kamar dalam program ini.

Jumlah Statistik pelatih dalam kamar bagi se-kumpulan

KUMPULAN	90	91	92	93
Jumlah Pelatih Dalam Kamar	70	75	75	75

Statistik

Sehingga 31 Oktober 2017, program Dock Brief telah menyediakan perwakilan guaman kepada 3,246 klien di Mahkamah Majistret Jenayah Kuala Lumpur di Jalan Duta. Jadual di bawah menunjukkan kategori kes-kes yang telah dikendalikan oleh pelatih-pelatih dalam kamar:-

BULAN	MITIGASI DAN PERWAKILAN	APPLIKASI IKAT JAMIN	NASIHAT DAN PENANGGUHAN	KLIEN 'DB WALK-IN'	JUMLAH
Januari	233	6	19	31	289
Febuari	261	11	17	16	305
Mac	368	17	30	46	461
April	243	5	6	35	289
Mei	246	2	8	51	307
Jun	224	24	9	22	279
Julai	278	16	11	37	342
Ogos	290	14	24	39	367
September	204	44	18	43	309
Oktober	234	30	6	28	298
Jumlah	2581	169	148	348	3246

5. LAPORAN PROGRAM PENJARA

Disediakan oleh Sekretariat LAC

Ketua Projek

Ravi Nekoo

Pengenalan

Klinik ini telah bermula pada Disember 1997 di Penjara Sungai Buloh dan berkembang kepada program-program lain seperti Penjara Wanita Kajang ("KWP") pada tahun 2000, Penjara Wanita Migran Kajang ("KWMP") pada September 2003 serta Penjara Migran Sungai Buloh ("SBMP") pada Mei tahun berikutnya. Di samping itu, Program Reman Rumah Juvana ("JRH") telah bermula pada tahun 2001 dan ia telah berkembang kepada Penjara Juvana Kajang ("KJP") pada tahun 2007.

Pada tahun 2013 Yayasan Bantuan Guaman Kebangsaan (YBGK) telah mengambil alih Program Penjara untuk melawat dan menjalankan sesi temubual. Dengan penubuhan YBGK, semua perwakilan undang-undang ("Legal Representations") bagi tahanan tempatan dan bawah umur di dalam penjara akan ditugaskan kepada peguam YBGK. Manakala, LAC akan terus

membantu klien Migran yang berumur 21 tahun ke atas dengan mengagihkan fail kepada peguam YBGK yang tertentu.

Pada tahun 2016, Program Penjara kini beroperasi dibawah dua negeri iaitu Selangor dan KL yang dikelolakan oleh YBGK masing-masing. YBGK Selangor mengendalikan Program Penjara di Sungai Buloh yang membuat lawatan setiap Rabu minggu alternatif. Manakala, YBGK KL pula mengendalikan Program Penjara Juvana dan Wanita di Kajang setiap Rabu minggu alternatif.

Kedua-dua YBGK negeri ini bekerjasama untuk mengendalikan sesi temubual dengan klien serta menghantar borang-borang temubual untuk tindakan lanjut.

Sehingga akhir tahun 2017, Program Penjara telah:

1. Menjalankan empat (4) Program Latihan Penjara bagi Pelatik Dalam Kamar ("PDK") yang terdiri daripada Kumpulan PDK (Batch) 90, 91, 92 dan 93. Secara keseluruhannya, seramai 40 orang PDK telah menghadiri latihan tersebut.
2. Mengadakan empat (4) Penilaian Pertengahan Penggal untuk PDK yang terlibat dalam Program Penjara ini.

Statistik temu bual untuk bulan Januari hingga Oktober 2017

PERKARA	BILANGAN TEMU BUAL
Temu bual oleh YBGK Selangor	249
KJP	172
KWP	54
Jumlah	475

6. LAPORAN KLINIK BANTUAN GUAMAN LAC

Disediakan oleh Sekretariat LAC

Klinik Bantuan Guaman LAC adalah salah satu program di bawah Pusat Bantuan Guaman Majlis Peguam (Kuala Lumpur) yang memberi nasihat percuma kepada orang ramai dan representasi untuk kes-kes tertentu. Program ini beroperasi di Pusat Bantuan Guaman Majlis Peguam (Kuala Lumpur) dan dibuka dari hari Isnin ke hari Jumaat dari pukul 10 pagi hingga 5 petang.

Seramai 25 pelatih dari kamar diepruntukkan untuk setiap kumpulan untuk membantu menjalankan program tersebut. Pelatih-pelatih ini diberikan latihan terlebih dahulu sebelum mereka memulakan tugas mereka di Pusat Bantuan Guaman Majlis Peguam (Kuala Lumpur). Dalam latihan ini, pelatih dalam kamar akan dilatih cara membuat 'means test' dan juga cara menemu bual klien-klien. Mereka kemudian akan mendapatkan maklumat-maklumat penting dari klien dan merujuk kepada peguam-peguam sukarela untuk arahan selanjutnya.

Klien-klien yang datang ke Pusat Bantuan Guaman Majlis Peguam (Kuala Lumpur) juga akan dirujuk kepada organisasi – organisasi dan badan kerajaan jika bantuan tidak boleh diberikan disebabkan oleh masalah tertentu. Pelatih – pelatih dalam kamar juga akan membantu klien-klien menemani mereka ke balai polis, badan kerajaan dan organisasi lain jika perlu. Bantuan sebegini dikenal sebagai 'intervention'.

Selain daripada itu, Klinik Bantuan Guaman LAC juga melaksanakan beberapa program 'outreach' untuk memberi kesedaran kepada orang ramai tentang hak-hak mereka dan juga tentang undang-undang di Malaysia. Sebagai salah satu program 'outreach', peguam-peguam sukarela LAC telah dijemput untuk memberi temu bual di Astro.

7. LAPORAN PROGRAM KLINIK SYARIAH

Disediakan oleh Sekretariat LAC

Program Klinik Syariah ini adalah dijalankan oleh pelatih-pelatih dalam kamar dengan pengawasan peguam Syariah yang berpengalaman. Mereka dilatih secara interaktif untuk memberikan khidmat nasihat kepada mereka yang memerlukan nasihat untuk masalah Syariah.

Klinik in beroperasi di Pusat Bantuan Guaman Majlis Peguam (Kuala Lumpur) dari Isnin ke Jumaat dari pukul 10:00 pagi hingga 5:00 petang. Untuk klien yang memerlukan representasi, mereka akan dirujuk kepada Jabatan Bantuan Guaman.

8. LAPORAN KLINIK LAC/AWAM/WAO/SIS

Disediakan oleh Sekretariat LAC

Ketua Projek

Harleen Kaur

Pusat Bantuan Guaman Majlis Peguam (KL) bekerjasama dengan All Women's Action Society (AWAM)/Women's Aid Organisation (WAO) dan Sister's In Islam (SIS) dalam menyediakan bantuan guaman kepada wanita-wanita yang terdedah yang memerlukan bantuan guaman. Organisasi-organisasi ini mengendalikan pelbagai isu berkaitan wanita seperti keganasan rumah tangga, prosiding perceraian, penjagaan anak, dan lain-lain. SIS lebih berfokus kepada isu-isu yang melibatkan wanita beragama Islam manakala AWAM dan WAO mengendalikan isu-isu yang melibatkan wanita secara amnya tanpa mengira agama mereka.

PROGRAM	KUMPULAN 91	KUMPULAN 92	KUMPULAN 93	JUMLAH
AWAM	2	2	2	6
WAO	4	4	5	13
SIS	2	2	3	7
Jumlah	8	8	10	26

Jadual 1: Bilangan Pelatih Dalam Kamar bagi setiap kumpulan

Terdapat empat kumpulan pelatih dalam kamar yang ditugaskan di AWAM, WAO dan SIS masing-masing antara Januari sehingga Oktober 2017. Bilangan pelatih dalam kamar yang ditugaskan kepada pelbagai organisasi diringkaskan seperti jadual di atas.

WAO telah diperuntukkan pelatih dalam kamar dengan bilangan yang tertinggi, disusuli dengan SIS dan AWAM. Bilangan pelatih dalam kamar yang diperuntukkan kepada pelbagai NGO adalah berdasarkan kepada bilangan hari bertugas dan bilangan klien yang dikendalikan oleh NGO.

PROGRAM	JAN	FEB	MAC	APRIL	MEI	JUN	JUL	OGOS	SEPT	OKT
AWAM	28	26	35	14	23	15	13	14	6	19
WAO	34	32	47	16	31	32	37	31	34	62
SIS	50	45	52	44	52	44	65	64	39	54

Jadual 2: Bilangan klien yang dikendalikan oleh setiap NGO setiap bulan

PROGRAM	JUMLAH KLIEN
AWAM	193
WAO	356
SIS	514

Jadual 3: Bilangan Klien yang dikendalikan oleh setiap NGO dari Januari-Oktober 2017

SIS mengendalikan bilangan klien yang tertinggi (514 clients) disusuli dengan WAO (356 clients) dan AWAM (193 clients). Pelatih dalam kamar memberikan nasihat guaman kepada klien yang hadir dan membuat panggilan ke pejabat NGO terbabit. Mereka juga membantu melakukan penyelidikan berkenaan kes undang-undang dan perkembangan undang-undang. Tugas pelatih dalam kamar adalah tidak terhad kepada tugas pejabat dan kadang-kadang mereka menemani klien ke balai polis, pusat imigresen dan hospital.

Pelatih dalam kamar perlu menjalani latihan sebelum memulakan tugas mereka di NGO yang berkaitan. Pelatih dalam kamar diperkenalkan kepada skop tugas dan dilatih dengan undang-undang yang berkaitan dengan tugas mereka di NGO yang berkaitan. Sewaktu minggu ke-7 bagi setiap kumpulan, Penilaian Separuh Penggal dijalankan di mana pelatih dalam kamar berkongsi mengenai pengalaman mereka dan juga kekurangan yang dihadapi semasa menjalankan tugas bantuan guaman mereka. Wakil-wakil daripada setiap NGO juga akan memberikan maklum balas mengenai prestasi pelatih dalam kamar. Keseluruhannya, pelatih dalam kamar dan wakil-wakil NGO berpuas hati dengan klinik LAC/AWAM/WAO/SIS.

KLLAC juga mengadakan beberapa pertemuan dengan NGO untuk berhubung dan menilai semula program yang dijalankan. Pertemuan telah diadakan pada 4 Oktober 2017 dengan AWAM, yang diwakili oleh Lee Wei San dan Louise, pada 9 Oktober 2017 dengan WAO, yang diwakili oleh Charlene dan Erica, dan pada 10 Oktober 2017 dengan SIS yang diwakili oleh Shazarina.

9 LAPORAN KLINIK LAC/TENAGANITA

Disediakan oleh Sekretariat LAC

Ketua Projek

Harleen Kaur

Tenaganita adalah sebuah organisasi bukan kerajaan yang bertujuan untuk memberi perlindungan kepada pendatang, pelarian, wanita dan kanak-kanak daripada menjadi mangsa eksploitasi, dera, dan perdagangan manusia. Pusat Bantuan Guaman Kuala Lumpur berkerjasama dengan Tenaganita dengan menghantar pelatih dalam kamar ke Tenaganita untuk membantu Tenaganita dalam menjalankan tugasnya.

Sebelum memulakan tugas mereka di Tenaganita, pelatih-pelatih dalam kamar akan menjalani latihan selama dua hari untuk menyediakan mereka dengan kemahiran yang diperlukan untuk menjalankan tugas mereka di Tenaganita. Mereka juga akan dilatih mengenai undang-undang yang berkaitan dan kemahiran insaniah seperti kemahiran berkomunikasi, kemahiran untuk melakukan temuramah serta kemahiran untuk berunding.

Empat kumpulan pelatih dalam kamar telah ditugaskan ke Tenaganita dari bulan Januari ke Oktober 2017. Jadual 1 menunjukkan jumlah pelatih-pelatih dalam kamar yang ditugaskan ke Tenaganita bagi setiap kumpulan. Terdapat pengingkatan jumlah pelatih yang ditugaskan ke Tenaganita dalam kumpulan 93 kerana jumlah Pelatih yang mendaftar untuk bantuan guaman bagi kumpulan ini adalah banyak.

KUMPULAN	91	92	93
Jumlah Pelatih	20	20	30

Jadual 1: Jumlah Pelatih bagi Setiap Kumpulan

BULAN	JAN	FEB	MAC	APR	MEI	JUN	JUL	OGOS	SEP	OKT	JUMLAH KESELURUHAN
Jumlah Klien	362	301	341	319	294	292	549	478	407	405	3,748

Jadual 2: Jumlah Kes bagi setiap bulan.

Tenaganita telah mengendalikan sejumlah 3,748 kes dari Januari sehingga Oktober 2017. Pelatih-pelatih dalam kamar telah mengendalikan pelbagai kes semasa ditugaskan di Tenaganita. Semasa tugas mereka, mereka juga berpeluang untuk berhubung dengan pelbagai pihak seperti polis, jabatan imigresen, jabatan buruh dan juga mahkamah. Mereka akan sentiasa dipantau oleh pegawai kes dari Tenaganita yang akan membimbing dan membantu mereka. Pelatih-pelatih dalam kamar juga terlibat dalam mendokumentasi kes, dimana ia melibatkan pengumpulan semua bukti dan dokumen yang berkaitan dengan kes tersebut. Mereka juga membantu dalam menyediakan perjanjian persetujuan, surat-surat, dan laporan polis serta laporan susulan mengenai kes yang akan mereka kendalikan. Secara keseluruhannya, mereka akan memainkan peranan yang proaktif untuk berunding dengan pihak majikan, agen dan juga pegawai-pegawai kerajaan sehingga kes ini berjaya diselesaikan.

Bagi setiap kumpulan pelatih-pelatih dalam kamar, pada minggu ketujuh tugas di Tenaganita, suatu penilaian pertengahan penggal akan diadakan di pejabat Pusat Bantuan Guaman Kuala Lumpur. Semasa penilaian tersebut pelatih-pelatih dalam kamar akan diberi peluang untuk menyuarakan sebarang masalah yang dihadapi sepanjang tugas mereka dan mencadangkan sebarang penambahbaikan bagi tugas mereka di Tenaganita. Penilaian ini juga menyediakan suatu platform bagi wakil dari Tenaganita untuk memberi maklum balas kepada pelatih-pelatih dalam kamar mengenai tugas mereka di Tenaganita.

Setakat ini, pelatih-pelatih dalam kamar dan pihak Tenaganita sangat gembira dengan program ini. Ramai pelatih dalam kamar menjadi sukarelawan dan membantu Tenaganita walaupun tempoh tugas mereka telah tamat.

10. LAPORAN PESURUHJAYA TINGGI PBB BAGI PELARIAN (UNHCR)

Disediakan oleh Sekretariat LAC

Ketua Projek

Harleen Kaur

Pesuruhjaya Tinggi PBB Bagi Pelarian (UNHCR) adalah suatu agensi di bawah Pertubuhan Bangsa-bangsa Bersatu yang membantu pendaftaran pencari suaka bagi menentukan status pelarian mereka dan pada akhirnya mencari negara tuan rumah bagi menempatkan pelarian-pelarian.

Pusat Bantuan Guaman Majlis Peguam (KL) membantu UNHCR dengan memperuntukkan pelatih dalam kamar kepada UNHCR.

KUMPULAN	91	92	93
Bilangan Pelatih Dalam Kamar	20	20	20

Jadual 1: Bilangan Pelatih Dalam Kamar bagi setiap kumpulan

Tiga kumpulan pelatih dalam kamar telah ditugaskan kepada UNHCR dari Januari sehingga Oktober 2017.

Sebanyak 20 pelatih dalam kamar telah ditugaskan kepada UNHCR bagi tiap-tiap kumpulan.

BULAN	BILANGAN KLIEN
Januari	158
Februari	182
Mac	132
April	156
Mei	213
Jun	134
Julai	172
Ogos	155
September	85
Oktober	155
Jumlah	1,542

Jadual 2: Bilangan Klien yang dikendalikan setiap bulan

Sejumlah 1542 klien telah dibantu oleh pelatih dalam kamar antara Januari sehingga Oktober 2017. Klien hadir ke UNHCR dengan pelbagai masalah seperti masalah perkahwinan, keganasan rumah tangga, rompakan, penahanan yang salah, kad UNHCR dicuri dan lain-lain. Pelatih dalam kamar yang menemu bual klien, mencatat penemuan mereka dan menyampaikannya kepada pegawai-pegawai UNHCR untuk tindakan lanjut. Pelatih dalam kamar turut ikut bersama pegawai UNHCR ke pusat tahanan untuk memohon pelepasan pelarian-pelarian di pusat tahanan.

Pelatih dalam kamar menjalani latihan sepanjang hari di UNHCR sebelum memulakan tugas mereka di UNHCR. Sewaktu latihan, pelatih dalam kamar dilatih dengan undang-undang yang berkaitan dengan pelarian dan pendaratang. Mereka juga dilatih dengan kemahiran lain seperti dokumentasi, dan kaedah temu bual yang relevan dengan tugas mereka di UNHCR. Semasa minggu ke-7 bagi setiap kumpulan, pelatih dalam kamar dikehendaki menghadiri penilaian separuh penggal yang membolehkan mereka memberikan maklum balas mengenai tugas mereka dan apa-apa penambahbaikan yang boleh dilakukan kepada klinik UNHCR-KLLAC. Sewaktu proses ini juga, wakil-wakil daripada UNHCR akan memberikan maklum balas kepada pelatih dalam kamar mengenai tugas mereka di UNHCR.

Klinik UNHCR- KLLAC berupaya membantu UNHCR dalam menjalankan tugas hariannya dan juga memberikan pendedahan kepada pelatih dalam kamar mengenai masalah yang dihadapi oleh pelarian-pelarian di Malaysia.

11. LAPORAN KLINIK LAC-MTUC

Disediakan oleh Sekretariat LAC

Diskriminasi dan isu tidak bayar gaji, pembatalan permit kerja serta suasana kerja yang tidak selamat adalah antara permasalahan yang dialami oleh pekerja dalam pelbagai sektor di Malaysia. Walaupun terdapat pelbagai bentuk hak dan perlindungan disediakan kepada pekerja secara umumnya di bawah Akta Nasional, proses untuk mendapatkan khidmat guaman mungkin akan mengambil masa yang lama yang mana akan memberi kesan kepada pekerja-pekerja tersebut.

Menyedari bahawa terdapatnya kekurangan bantuan kepada pekerja-pekerja yang melibatkan pencerobohan hak asasi pekerja, khususnya pekerja asing, Pusat Bantuan Guaman, Majlis Peguam(KL) telah membuat kolaborasi dengan Kongres Kesatuan Sekerja Malaysia (MTUC) dengan menubuhkan 'LAC-MTUC Clinic'. MTUC adalah kesatuan sekerja di mana objektifnya adalah antara lainnya, untuk memperbaiki tahap ekonomi dan sosial para pekerja. Aktiviti-aktiviti MTUC dijalankan bagi menjamin kesaksamaan, menaikkan taraf kehidupan para pekerja dan mewujudkan suasana kerja yang selamat dan lebih baik.

Klinik ini mula beroperasi pada tahun ini dengan sepuluh (10) orang pelatih dalam kamar bagi sesi pertama, dengan memberi bantuan kepada pihak MTUC di premis mereka berkenaan pelbagai isu yang dihadapi oleh para pekerja. Jumlah pelatih dalam kamar kemudiannya meningkat kepada lima belas (15) orang untuk sesi kedua dan dua puluh (20) untuk sesi ketiga. Peningkatan ini adalah berikutan dengan maklum balas positif yang diberikan oleh pelatih dalam kamar yang menyertai program ini dan juga permintaan daripada pihak MTUC sendiri untuk meningkatkan jumlah pelatih dalam kamar. Kami percaya bahawa pelatih dalam kamar yang menyertai bantuan guaman ini, kini lebih peka terhadap isu pencerobohan hak asasi pekerja, sama ada pekerja tempatan mahupun pekerja asing dan kami berharap agar lebih ramai pelatih dalam kamar dapat memberi bantuan berkenaan hak-hak pekerja tersebut demi masa depan mereka.

12. LAPORAN PROGRAM SANGKUTAN

Disediakan oleh Sekretariat LAC

Pusat Bantuan Guaman Majlis Peguam (Kuala Lumpur) (BCLAC KL) mengasaskan Program Sangkutan untuk menggalakkan pelajar-pelajar jurusan undang-undang untuk mengambil bahagian dalam usaha ini, dan mempersiapkan diri mereka dalam menempuhi kerjaya undang-undang.

Program Sangkutan membolehkan pelajar-pelajar ini menyertai pelbagai program bantuan undang-undang yang diadakan oleh BCLAC KL yang bertujuan untuk membantu mereka mencapai potensi sepenuhnya untuk menjadi peguam yang berkebolehan dan berupaya pada masa hadapan.

Sepanjang tempoh sangkutan, pelajar-pelajar diberi peluang untuk menyertai pelbagai program yang dianjurkan oleh Pusat Bantuan Guaman, seperti:-

- (a) Klinik Pusat Bantuan Undang-Undang ("LAC"), di mana pelatih dalam kamar mengadakan temuduga dengan klien yang mempunyai masalah dan memberikan nasihat undang-undang untuk membantu mereka membuat keputusan yang wajar;
- (b) Program Dock Brief, di mana pelatih dalam kamar menjalankan permohonan mitigasi dan jaminan bagi pihak defendan-defendan yang mengaku bersalah;
- (c) Program Penjara, di mana pelatih dalam kamar mengadakan temuduga dengan orang-orang yang ditahan di dalam penjara; dan
- (d) Program-program yang dijalankan oleh Pertubuhan Bukan Kerajaan (NGO) seperti Persatuan All Women's Action Society Malaysia ("AWAM"), Women's Aid Organisation ("WAO"), Sisters in Islam ("SIS"), United Nation High Commissioner for Refugees ("UNHCR"), Tenaganita, dan Pink Triangle Foundation, di mana pelatih dalam kamar membantu dalam temuduga klien dan tugas-tugas pentadbiran yang lain.

Sebagai tambahan kepada program-program tersebut, pelajar-pelajar sangkutan juga digalakkan untuk melibatkan diri mereka dalam pengurusan program harian dan menghadiri pelbagai latihan yang dijalankan oleh BCLAC KL.

Pelajar-pelajar sangkutan mempunyai pilihan untuk menyertai Program Sangkutan selama seminggu atau selama sehingga dua bulan. Pada akhir Program Sangkutan, pelajar-pelajar akan dianugerahkan dengan Sijil Penyempurnaan dari BCLAC KL.

13. LAPORAN YAYASAN BANTUAN GUAMAN KEBANGSAAN (YBGK)

Disediakan oleh Sekretariat LAC

Pengenalan

Tahun ini merupakan tahun ke-5 YBGK telah menyediakan bantuan guaman secara percuma kepada rakyat dan imigran yang berumur bawah 18 tahun yang direman di balai polis dan juga mereka yang didakwa di mahkamah bagi pelbagai kesalahan jenayah. Ujian tahap kemampuan digunapakai terhadap mereka yang memohon representasi semasa perbicaraan dan rayuan di mana klien mestilah mempunyai pendapatan kurang daripada RM36,000 setahun. YBGK diselia oleh Jawatankuasa Pengelola YBGK Majlis Peguam dan disokong oleh Sekretariat YBGK Majlis Peguam yang terletak di KLLAC. Pusat Bantuan Guaman Negeri Majlis Peguam yang sedia ada juga berperanan sebagai pejabat YBGK Negeri.

Berikutan isu tiada pembayaran kepada peguam-peguam YBGK, dari bulan Februari ke April 2017, sebahagian kakitangan KLLAC, Ahli-ahli Jawatankuasa Pengelola, dan peguam-peguam sukarela dihantar ke Ibu Pejabat YBGK untuk membantu menyelesaikan tuntutan peguam-peguam YBGK yang tertunggak di Malaysia Timur dan Malaysia Barat.

Statistik YBGK

YBGK Kuala Lumpur meliputi 5 IPD dan 1 IPK. 5 IPD tersebut adalah Dang Wangi, Brickfields, Cheras, Putrajaya dan Sentul. YBGK Kuala Lumpur juga meliputi 3 mahkamah reman di Jinjang, Dang Wangi dan Putrajaya.

Dalam tempoh 10 bulan yang lalu (Januari – Oktober 2017), peguam-peguam YBGK daripada KLLAC telah hadir bagi 10855 orang di mahkamah reman. Peguam-peguam juga telah membantu 32 orang yang didakwa, dan memerlukan bantuan dalam permohonan mitigasi dan jamin.

Selain itu, sebanyak 302 fail jenayah telah dibuka dan ditugaskan kepada peguam-peguam YBGK dalam tempoh yang sama.

Latihan YBGK untuk Peguam-peguam

Sejumlah 10 Latihan YBGK untuk peguam-peguam telah dijalankan di Malaysia Timur dan Malaysia Barat bagi tahun 2017. Bagi tahun 2015, ujian penilaian telah dimasukkan sebagai sebahagian daripada Latihan YBGK. Ini adalah terbukti sebagai berkesan kerana hanya peguam-peguam yang benar-benar berminat dengan program YBGK mendaftar diri untuk latihan dan lulus ujian tersebut. Peguam-peguam ini kemudiannya akan didaftarkan sebagai peguam-peguam YBGK yang berkelayakan. Bahagian 3 Latihan YBGK yang terdiri daripada advokasi pembelaan jenayah juga telah dilanjutkan kepada latihan selama 2 hari bagi membolehkan latihan yang lebih intensif, lebih interaksi dan pembentangan berkumpulan dijalankan. Setakat tahun 2017, seramai 2538 peguam telah berdaftar sebagai peguam YBGK di Malaysia Timur dan Malaysia Barat.

Program Pelatih Dalam Kamar YBGK

Program Pelatih Dalam Kamar YBGK telah diperkenalkan pada tahun 2013 disebabkan oleh skop dan pengalaman pembelajaran yang luas yang disediakan oleh Program YBGK. Dalam program ini, pelatih dalam kamar didedahkan dengan pelbagai aspek undang-undang dan prosiding jenayah.

Pelatih dalam kamar memberikan bantuan dengan cara menemu bual klien, kerja-kerja intervensi undang-undang, memantau di mahkamah reman dan balai polis dan dalam tugas-tugas pentadbiran. Pelatih dalam kamar juga dikehendaki untuk menjalankan kaji selidik mengenai pelbagai aspek sistem keadilan jenayah dan membuat cadangan dan saranan bagi pembaharuan undang-undang.

Setiap kumpulan program ini terdiri daripada 15-20 orang pelatih dalam kamar. Pelatih dalam kamar diberikan taklimat mengenai YBGK dan dilatih dengan undang-undang dan prosiding jenayah.

Sekretariat YBGK

KLLAC sebagai perintis program YBGK juga mendapati ia berada dalam kedudukan pengelola berkenaan dengan beberapa aspek program YBGK. KLLAC juga bertindak sebagai sekretariat YBGK, dengan berhubung dengan LAC Negeri lain terutamanya untuk tujuan polisi, pentadbiran dan latihan.

KLLAC juga berhubung dengan pihak berkuasa dan jabatan yang berkaitan bagi memastikan kelancaran perjalanan program YBGK.

KLLAC turut berhubung dengan pejabat YBGK yang berpejabat di KLRCa dari segi pendaftaran peguam-peguam YBGK, dalam menyemak tuntutan dan pembayaran kepada peguam-peguam dan pelaksanaan standard prosedur operasi.

Kesimpulan

Program YBGK secara rasminya bermula pada 2 April 2012 dan telah beroperasi selama kira-kira 5 tahun dan juga merupakan projek yang berterusan. Dahulunya, 80% orang tidak mempunyai representasi undang-undang di mahkamah Majistret, kini ribuan orang yang berhadapan dengan prosiding jenayah di Kuala Lumpur dan negeri-negeri yang lain telah dibantu oleh Program YBGK.

Secara keseluruhannya, YBGK telah membawa perubahan yang signifikan kepada Sistem Undang-undang Jenayah. YBGK telah menyediakan program bantuan guaman yang komprehensif dan mapan bagi mereka yang terlibat dengan sistem keadilan jenayah.

14. LAPORAN PROGRAM SKIM BANTUAN GUAMAN RAKYAT THAI (T- CLAS)

Disediakan oleh Sekretariat LAC

Pusat Bantuan Guaman Majlis Peguam (Kuala Lumpur) (BCLAC KL) sentiasa percaya bahawa setiap individu layak diwakili seorang peguamcara tanpa mengambilkira kaum, agama, kewarganegaraan atau apa-apa jenis perbezaan. Yayasan Bantuan Guaman Kebangsaan (YBGK) adalah salah satu jenis skim tersebut di mana peruntukan Artikel 5 Perlembagaan Persekutuan diangkat oleh peguamcara. Walaubagaimanapun, YBGK ini hanya terhad kepada perkara jenayah semata kepada warganegara Malaysia dan setiap individu dibawah umur 18 tahun. Warga asing dewasa yang tidak mampu untuk mendapatkan wakil guaman tidak layak untuk skim ini.

BCLAC KL telah berusaha mengadakan skim tambahan untuk memenuhi jurang kekosongan yang terdapat di dalam Skim YBGK. Sejarah telah menunjukkan bahawa sementara Peguam sukarelawan di BCLAC KL telah berjuang dengan menggunakan masa dan tenaga mereka untuk mewakili anakguam dalam pelbagai jenis kes tanpa apa-apa bayaran, malahan mereka pula yang kerap menggunakan wang saku mereka, ia adalah penting untuk mempunyai satu skim yang menyeluruh untuk memastikan pihak-pihak yang terkesan diwakili secukupnya.

Berdasarkan latarbelakang ini, tahun ini BCLAC KL, telah bekerjasama dengan Kedutaan Diraja Thai untuk menyediakan wakil guaman percuma kepada Warganegara Thai di Malaysia di mana Kedutaan Thai akan menyumbangkan dana untuk kos dan perbelanjaan berkaitan dengan skim ini. Memandangkan ini adalah inisiatif pertama, kedua-dua pihak telah memasuki perjanjian untuk enam bulan sebagai skim perintis bagi menggariskan mekanism dan kadar bayaran bagi melaksanakan skim ini secara berkesan. Perjanjian tersebut telah dimeteraikan antara kedua-dua pihak pada 9 November 2017.

Antara lain, skim ini akan memberi wakil guaman percuma daripada peguam terlatih kami pada bidang-bidang perundangan berikut:

- (a) Undang-undang Jenayah;
- (b) Undang-undang Immigresen; dan
- (c) Undang-undang keluarga.

Selain daripada itu, BCLAC KL mendapat balasan positif dari Kedutaan Thailand untuk program- program yang telah diadakan oleh BCLAC KL untuk warganegara Thailand di Malaysia, terutamanya dalam bidang undang-undang keluarga.

BCLAC KL berharap untuk membina hubungan yang lebih erat dan memperluaskan perkhidmatan bagi tahun-tahun akan datang. Lebih banyak perkara perlu dibuat dan BCLAC KL sememangnya berbangga dengan kerja yang telah dibuat dalam masa singkat ini.

Ia juga adalah harapan BCLAC KL dengan adanya skim ini, lebih banyak kedutaan akan tampil menyertai skim berasingan yang serupa dengan skim ini dengan BCLAC KL supaya kami dapat mewakili kesemua warga asing yang terjejas di dalam system keadilan ini.

15. LAPORAN PROGRAM BANTUAN PENANGKAPAN SEGERA

Disediakan oleh Sekretariat LAC

Pusat Bantuan Guaman Kuala Lumpur menyediakan perkhidmatan bantuan tangkapan segera untuk pelbagai perhimpunan yang di anjurkan oleh pelbagai organisasi. Penganjur perhimpunan tersebut akan membuat permohonan rasmi daripada pusat bantuan guaman untuk meminta bantuan dan pusat bantuan guaman akan menyediakan peguam untuk berada di tempat perhimpunan tersebut.

Antara bantuan yang disediakan oleh pihak pusat bantuan guaman termasuklah pergi ke balai polis dan menyediakan bantuan guaman kepada mana-mana individu yang ditahan dalam tahanan reman serta memberi perkhidmatan untuk mewakili tahanan reman sementara pendengaran dijalankan.

Dari bulan Januari sehingga November 2017, pusat bantuan guaman telah menerima sebanyak 4 permohonan bagi bantuan tangkapan segera.

Permohonan pertama adalah daripada kumpulan badan bukan kerajaan (NGO) terdiri daripada Bersih 4.0, Suaram bagi bantuan tangkapan segera ketika "Perhimpunan Penolakan Usul Hadi" (Reject Hadi Bill Gathering) yang diadakan pada 18 Februari 2017. Permohonan kedua datangnya daripada Suaram untuk tangkapan segera untuk himpunan "Hari Mei" pada 1 Mei 2017. Permohonan ketiga datangnya daripada kumpulan badan bukan kerajaan wanita untuk perhimpunan "Wanita Bantah Politik Toksik" yang diadakan pada 10 September 2017. Permohonan terakhir adalah datang daripada kumpulan badan bukan kerajaan bagi perhimpunan "Himpunan Sayangi Malaysia, Hapus Kleptokrasi" yang diakan pada 14 Oktober 2017.

Semasa perhimpunan-perhimpunan diadakan, tidak berlaku sebarang tangkapan dan peguam-peguam tidak perlu memberi perkhidmatan perwakilan untuk sebarang tangkapan atau reman. Peguam-peguam hanyalah berada di dalam keadaan bersiap sedia. Ini dapat dilihat daripada perhimpunan yang dianjurkan pada tahun-tahun lalu di mana pihak polis tidak membuat sebarang tangkapan terhadap peserta-peserta perhimpunan.



AUDITED ACCOUNTS
KUALA LUMPUR BAR COMMITTEE
FINANCIAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2017

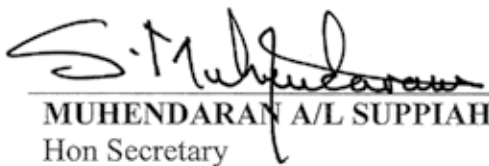
KUALA LUMPUR BAR**STATEMENT BY MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE**

We, the undersigned, being the Chairman and the Hon Secretary of the Kuala Lumpur Bar, do hereby state that in our opinion, the financial statements set out on pages 5 to 22 are drawn up in accordance with the Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards and International Financial Reporting Standards so as to give a true and fair view of the financial position of the Kuala Lumpur Bar as at 31 December 2017 and of the financial performance and cash flows of the Kuala Lumpur Bar for the year then ended.

Signed on behalf of the Committee



GOH SIU LIN
Chairman



MUHENDARAN A/L SUPPIAH
Hon Secretary

Kuala Lumpur
Date: **02 FEB 2018**

KUALA LUMPUR BAR

STATUTORY DECLARATION

I, Goh Siu Lin, being the Chairman responsible for the financial management of the Kuala Lumpur Bar, do solemnly and sincerely declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief, the financial statements set out on pages 5 to 22 are correct and I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing the same to be true and by virtue of the provisions of the Statutory Declarations Act, 1960.



GOH SIU LIN
Chairman

Subscribed and solemnly declared at Kuala Lumpur, Wilayah Persekutuan on 02 FEB 2018

Before me:



No. 86, Tingkat Bawah
Jalan Putra
50350 Kuala Lumpur

Commissioner for Oaths

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CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE
KUALA LUMPUR BAR****Report on the Audit of the Financial Statements**

We have audited the financial statements of the Kuala Lumpur Bar, which comprise the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2017 and the statement of income and expenditure and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, as set out on pages 5 to 22.

Basis for opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with approved standards on auditing in Malaysia and International Standards on Auditing. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements section of our report. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Independence and Other Ethical Responsibilities

We are independent of the Kuala Lumpur Bar in accordance with the By-Laws (on Professional Ethics, Conduct and Practice) of the Malaysian Institute of Accountants ("By-Laws") and the International Ethics Standards Board for Accountants' Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants ("IESBA Code"), and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the By-Laws and the IESBA Code.

Responsibilities of the Committee Members' of the Kuala Lumpur Bar for the financial statements

The Committee members of the Kuala Lumpur Bar are responsible for the preparation of financial statements of the Kuala Lumpur Bar that give a true and fair view in accordance with Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards and International Financial Reporting Standards. The Committee Members of Kuala Lumpur Bar are also responsible for such internal control as the Committee Members determine are necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements of the Kuala Lumpur Bar as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with approved standards on auditing in Malaysia and International Standards on Auditing will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF THE
KUALA LUMPUR BAR (continued)**

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements (continued)

As part of an audit in accordance with approved standards on auditing in Malaysia and International Standards on Auditing, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements of the Kuala Lumpur Bar, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the Committee Members.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements of the Kuala Lumpur Bar, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with the Committee Members regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

Other Matters

This report is made solely to the members of the Kuala Lumpur Bar, as a body, in accordance with Section 64(2) (b) of the Legal Profession Act 1976 in Malaysia and for no other purpose. We do not assume responsibility to any other person for the content of this report.


PCCO PTT (LLP0000506-LCA)
No. AF 1056
Chartered Accountants


WONG SOOK CHUN
No. 1173/09/18(J)
Chartered Accountant

Kuala Lumpur
Date: **02 FEB 2018**

KUALA LUMPUR BAR

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

for the year ended 31 December 2017

	NOTE	2017 RM	2016 RM
INCOME			
Advertising income		10,232	10,627
Compensation		-	60
Bank commission		2	2
Interest from fixed deposits		63,180	63,756
Post box rental received		40,267	54,062
Photocopy charges		3,169	2,954
Talk and seminars		502,705	298,828
Subscriptions		1,035,130	992,818
Sundry income		5,774	14,211
TOTAL INCOME		<u>1,660,459</u>	<u>1,437,318</u>
Less : EXPENDITURE			
Functions and events	7	339,920	226,396
Office expenses	8	231,212	224,391
Other operating expenses	9	286,341	120,534
Staff costs	10	854,519	775,667
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		<u>1,711,992</u>	<u>1,346,988</u>
(DEFICIT)/SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR	6	(51,533)	90,330
ACCUMULATED FUND			
As at 1 January		<u>2,923,082</u>	<u>2,832,752</u>
As at 31 December		<u>2,871,549</u>	<u>2,923,082</u>

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

as at 31 December 2017

	NOTE	2017 RM	2016 RM
ASSETS			
NON CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment	11	157,561	347,084
CURRENT ASSETS			
Inventories	12	-	285
Subscription in arrears		13,438	12,988
Other receivables	13	188,940	196,252
Cash and cash equivalents	15	2,856,067	2,688,409
		3,058,445	2,897,934
TOTAL ASSETS		3,216,006	3,245,018
MEMBERS' FUNDS AND LIABILITIES			
Accumulated fund		2,871,549	2,923,082
TOTAL MEMBERS' FUNDS		2,871,549	2,923,082
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Other payables and accruals	14	344,457	321,936
TOTAL LIABILITIES		344,457	321,936
TOTAL MEMBERS' FUNDS AND LIABILITIES		3,216,006	3,245,018

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

for the year ended 31 December 2017

	NOTE	2017 RM	2016 RM
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
(Deficit)/surplus for the year		(51,533)	90,330
Adjustments for:			
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment		196,397	43,246
Fixed deposits interest income		(63,180)	(63,756)
Operating surplus before working capital changes		81,684	69,820
Working capital changes:			
Inventories		285	-
Subscription in arrears		(450)	4,073
Other receivables		7,312	(18,327)
Other payables and accruals		22,521	(13,079)
Cash inflows from operations		111,352	42,487
Interest received		63,180	63,756
Net cash inflows from operating activities		174,532	106,243
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(6,874)	(13,250)
Net cash outflows from investing activities		(6,874)	(13,250)
NET INCREASE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		167,658	92,993
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR		2,688,409	2,595,416
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT END OF YEAR	15	2,856,067	2,688,409

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended 31 December 2017

1. FORMATION AND OBJECTIVES

The Kuala Lumpur Bar was established under the Advocates and Solicitors Ordinance 1947 to Cater Solely for the needs of lawyers in the Federal Territory.

2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

(a) Statement of compliance

The financial statements of the Kuala Lumpur Bar have been prepared in accordance with Malaysian Financial Reporting Standards (“MFRSs”) and International Financial Reporting Standards.

The accounting policies adopted are consistent with those of previous financial year except as follows:

On 1 January 2017, the Kuala Lumpur Bar adopted the following Amendments to published standards mandatory for annual financial periods beginning on or after 1 January 2017:

Amendments

Annual Improvements to MFRSs 2014 – 2016 Cycle as follows:

- Amendments to MFRS 107 Disclosures Initiative

The adoption of the above Amendment does not have any material effect on the financial statements of the Kuala Lumpur Bar.

The following new MFRSs and Amendments to published standards have been issued and are relevant but are not yet effective to the Kuala Lumpur Bar:

Standards/Amendments	Effective date
MFRS 9 – Financial Instruments (IFRS 9 as issued by IASB in July 2014) and mandatory effective date of MFRS 9	1 January 2018
MFRS 9 – Prepayment Features with Negative Compensation (Amendments to MFRS 9)	1 January 2019
MFRS 16 – Leases	1 January 2019

The initial adoption of the new MFRSs and Amendments does not have any material effect on the financial statements except for MFRS 9 and MFRS 16. Due to the complexity of the standards and their requirements, the financial effects of their adoption are still being assessed by the Kuala Lumpur Bar.

KUALA LUMPUR BAR**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)****2. BASIS OF PREPARATION (continued)****(b) Functional and presentation currency**

The financial statements are presented in Ringgit Malaysia which is the Kuala Lumpur Bar's functional and presentation currency.

(c) Basis of Measurement

The financial statements are prepared on the historical cost basis unless otherwise indicated in the accounting policies.

(d) Use of estimates and judgments

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make judgments, estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities, income and expenses, and the disclosure of contingent liabilities at the reporting date. However uncertainty about these assumptions and estimates could result in outcomes that could require a material adjustment to the carrying amount of the assets or liabilities affected in the future.

3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**(a) Property, plant and equipment**

All items of property, plant and equipment are initially recorded at cost.

Cost includes expenditure that are directly attributable to the acquisition of the asset and any other costs directly attributable to bringing the asset to working condition for its intended use, and the costs of dismantling and removing the items and restoring the site on which they are located.

Subsequent costs are included in the assets' carrying amounts or recognised as separate assets, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the items will flow to the Kuala Lumpur Bar and the costs of the items can be measured reliably. The carrying amount of the replaced part is derecognised. All other repairs and maintenance are recognised in income and expenditure.

Subsequent to recognition, property, plant and equipment are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses, if any.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*

3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(continued)*

(a) Property, plant and equipment *(continued)*

Depreciation is provided for on a straight line basis to write off the cost of each asset to its residual value over its estimated useful lives at the following annual rates:

	%
Furniture and fittings	10%
Office equipment	10% - 20%
Signboards	10%
Air – conditioners	20%
Refrigerator	10%
Cafe bar	20%
Post boxes	10%
Renovations	20%

An item of property, plant and equipment is derecognised upon disposal or when no future economic benefits are expected from its use or disposal. The difference between the net disposal proceeds, if any and the net carrying amount is recognised in the income and expenditure.

Where an indication of impairment exists, the carrying amount of the asset is assessed and written down immediately to the recoverable amount.

(b) Impairment of assets

The carrying amounts of the Kuala Lumpur Bar's assets other than financial assets (except those measured at fair value through profit or loss) are reviewed at each reporting date to determine whether there is any indication of impairment. If any such indication exists, the asset's recoverable amount is estimated and an impairment loss is recognised whenever the recoverable amount is less than the carrying amount of the asset. The impairment loss is recognised in profit or loss immediately. All reversals of an impairment loss are recognised as income immediately in the income and expenditure.

(c) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash comprises cash on hand and demand deposits. Cash equivalents are short term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to cash with insignificant risk of changes in value.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(continued)*

(d) Inventories

Inventories are valued at the lower of costs and net realisable values. Cost is determined on the “first in, first out” basis.

Net realisable value is the estimated selling price in the ordinary course of business less the estimated costs necessary to make the sale.

(e) Income recognition

Income is recognised when it is probable that future economic benefits will flow to the entity and the income can be measured reliably.

Income is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable.

Subscriptions and other income are recognised on the receipt basis.

Interest income is recognised using the effective interest method.

(f) Employee benefits

(i) Short term employee benefits

Wages, salaries, bonuses and social security contributions are recognised as expenses in the year in which the associated services are rendered by employees of the Kuala Lumpur Bar.

(ii) Defined contribution plans

As required by law, employers in Malaysia make contributions to the state pension scheme, the Employees Provident Fund (“EPF”).

(g) Leases

(i) Classification

A lease is recognised as a finance lease if it transfers substantially to the Kuala Lumpur Bar all the risks and rewards incidental to ownership. All leases that do not transfer substantially all the risks and rewards are classified as operating leases.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*

3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(continued)*

(g) Leases *(continued)*

(ii) Operating leases – the Bar as a lessee

Operating lease payments are recognised as an expense on a straight-line basis over the term of the relevant lease. The aggregate benefit of incentives provided by the lessor is recognised as a reduction of rental expense over the lease term on a straight-line basis.

(h) Financial assets

The Kuala Lumpur Bar shall recognise a financial asset on its statement of financial position when the entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instruments.

Financial assets are derecognised when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial assets have expired or have been transferred and the Kuala Lumpur Bar has transferred substantially all its risks and rewards of ownership of the financial assets.

Financial assets are initially recognised at fair value plus transaction costs for all financial assets not carried at fair value through profit or loss. Financial assets carried at fair value through profit or loss are initially recognised at fair value and transaction costs are expensed in the profit or loss.

At the time of initial recognition, financial assets are classified into the following specified categories: ‘fair value through profit or loss, held-to-maturity investments, available-for-sale and loans and receivables’. The classification depends on the purpose of the financial asset.

(i) Financial assets at fair value through profit or loss (“FVTPL”)

Financial assets are classified as at FVTPL when the financial asset is either held for trading or it is designated as at FVTPL.

A financial asset is classified as held for trading if:

- It has been acquired principally for the purpose of selling it in the near term;
- Part of a portfolio of identified financial instruments that are managed together and there are recent actual pattern of short-term profit-taking;
- It is a derivative (except for financial guarantee contract or a designated and effective hedging instrument).

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(continued)*(h) Financial assets *(continued)*

(ii) Held-to-maturity investments

Non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments and fixed maturity dates and that the Kuala Lumpur Bar has positive intention and ability to hold to maturity.

(iii) Loans and receivables

Loans and other receivables are non-derivative financial assets with fixed or determinable payments that are not quoted in an active market.

(iv) Available-for-sale financial assets (“AFS”)

AFS are non-derivative financial assets that are designated as available-for-sale or are not classified as loans and receivables, held-to-maturity investments or FVTPL.

Investments in unquoted equity instruments whose fair value cannot be reliably measured are measured at cost less impairment loss.

FVTPL and AFS are subsequently carried at fair value. Held-to-maturity investments and loans and receivables are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

Gains or losses arising from changes in fair value from FVTPL are recognised in profit or loss.

Gains or losses arising from changes in fair value from AFS are recognised directly in equity.

Gains or losses from financial assets carried at amortised costs are recognised through profit or loss.

The Kuala Lumpur Bar assesses at the end of each reporting period whether there is any objective evidence that a financial asset or group of financial assets are impaired.

For financial assets carried at amortised cost, the amount of the impairment loss recognised is the difference between the asset’s carrying amount and the present value of estimated future cash flows, discounted at the financial asset’s original effective interest rate. The carrying amount of the asset shall be reduced directly through use of an allowance account. The amount of the loss is recognised in profit or loss. If there is reversal of previously recognised impairment loss, it is reversed either directly or by adjusting an allowance account. The reversal shall not result in the carrying amount of the financial assets exceeding what the amortised cost would have been had the impairment not been recognised at the date the impairment loss is reversed. The amount of reversal is recognised in profit or loss.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS *(continued)*

3. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES *(continued)*

(i) Financial liabilities

The Kuala Lumpur Bar shall recognise a financial liability on its statement of financial position when the entity becomes a party to the contractual provisions of the instruments.

Financial liabilities are derecognised when it is extinguished i.e. when the obligation specified in the contract is discharged or cancelled or expired.

(i) Financial liabilities at fair value through profit or loss (“FVTPL”)

Financial liabilities are classified as at FVTPL when the financial liability is either held for trading or it is designated as at FVTPL.

A financial liability is classified as held for trading if:

- It has been acquired principally for the purpose of selling it in the near term;
- Part of a portfolio of identified financial instruments that are managed together and there are recent actual pattern of short-term profit-taking;
- It is a derivative (except for financial guarantee contract or a designated and effective hedging instrument).

(ii) Other financial liabilities

Other financial liabilities are financial liabilities that are not classified as financial liabilities at FVTPL.

Other financial liabilities are initially recognised at fair value plus transaction costs. Financial liabilities carried at fair value through profit or loss are initially recognised at fair value and transaction costs are expensed in the profit or loss.

Other financial liabilities are subsequently carried at amortised cost using the effective interest method. Financial liabilities at FVTPL are measured at fair value except for derivatives liability that are linked to and must be settled by delivery of such unquoted equity instruments whose fair value cannot be reliably measured are measured at cost.

Gains or losses arising from changes in fair value from financial liabilities classified at FVTPL are recognised in profit or loss.

Gains or losses from other financial liabilities carried at amortised costs are recognised through profit or loss.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

4. FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES

The Kuala Lumpur Bar's operating, investing and financing activities expose the Bar to credit risk and liquidity risk. The Bar's overall risk management programme focuses on the unpredictability of financial markets and seeks to minimise potential adverse effects on the Bar's financial performance.

(a) Credit risk management

Credit risk is the risk of loss that may arise on outstanding financial instruments should a counterparty default on its obligations.

The Bar's exposure to credit risk arises from its cash and cash equivalents.

For banks and financial institutions, only major banks are accepted.

(b) Liquidity risk management

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Bar will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they fall due. The Bar's exposure to liquidity risk arises principally from its various payables.

The Bar monitors and maintains a level of cash and cash equivalents deemed adequate by the management to ensure, as far as possible, that it will have sufficient liquidity to meet its liabilities when they fall due.

The table below analyses the Kuala Lumpur Bar's non-derivative financial liabilities into relevant maturity groupings based on the remaining period at the reporting date to the contractual maturity date:

	Within 1 year RM
As at 31 December 2017	
Non-derivative financial liabilities	
Other payables and accruals	<u>344,457</u>
As at 31 December 2016	
Non-derivative financial liabilities	
Other payables and accruals	<u>321,936</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued)

5. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS BY CATEGORIES AND ITS FAIR VALUE ESTIMATION

	2017 RM	2016 RM
Financial assets		
Loans and receivables		
- Other receivables (excluding prepayments)	188,580	196,252
- Subscription in arrears	13,438	12,988
- Cash and cash equivalents	2,856,067	2,688,409
Financial liabilities		
Other financial liabilities		
- Other payables and accruals	344,457	321,936

Financial assets and financial liabilities are not carried at fair value but their carrying amounts are reasonable approximation of their fair value due to their short term nature.

6. (DEFICIT)/SURPLUS FOR THE YEAR

	2017 RM	2016 RM
(Decifit)/surplus for the year is stated after charging/(crediting):		
Auditors' remuneration	2,800	1,750
Depreciation	196,397	43,246
Interest income from:		
fixed deposit	(63,180)	(63,756)
Post box rental	(40,267)	(54,062)
Operating lease expenses:		
rental of photocopier machine*	1,495	1,560
rental of premises**	185,011	174,733

During the year, the Kuala Lumpur Bar contributed an amount of RM90,120 (2016:RM84,447) to the Employees' Provident Fund.

* Included in this is a cancellable operating lease whereby two months' notice is required for termination of the agreement.

** This is a non-cancellable operating lease whereby the lease commitment is as disclosed in note 16 to the financial statements.

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7. FUNCTIONS AND EVENTS

	2017 RM	2016 RM
Events for Committees	327,487	206,709
Functions and dinners	12,433	19,687
	<u>339,920</u>	<u>226,396</u>

8. OFFICE EXPENSES

	2017 RM	2016 RM
Electricity and water	10,192	8,882
Gazette charges	-	64
Internet fee	8,570	4,398
Journal books	-	1,671
Newspaper and periodicals	2,173	2,168
Office upkeep and repair	2,223	5,263
Postage	397	2,333
Printing and stationary	6,793	7,512
Refreshments	1,683	1,731
Operating lease expenses:		
rental of photocopier machine	1,495	1,560
rental of premises	185,011	174,733
Safety deposit box	193	193
Telephone and fax	12,482	13,883
	<u>231,212</u>	<u>224,391</u>

9. OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES

	2017 RM	2016 RM
Acceptance and income fee on trust account		
Accounting fee		
Advertisement	4	90
AGM expenses	23,119	22,462
Auditor's remuneration	2,800	1,750
Bank charges	533	542
Court proceeding expenses	-	6,839
	<u>26,456</u>	<u>31,683</u>
Balance carried forward	26,456	31,683

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9. OTHER OPERATING EXPENSES (continued)

	2017	2016
	RM	RM
Balance brought forward	26,456	31,683
Depreciation	196,397	43,246
Digitalisation exercise	4,170	5,400
General expenses	3,122	1,983
GST expenses	-	762
Insurance	17,231	15,185
Repairs and maintenance	31,595	5,743
Sponsorship	923	6,792
Stamp duty	-	1,622
Reference proceedings	4,999	7,086
Travelling expenses	698	332
Upkeep of bar room	250	200
Upkeep of motorcycle	500	500
	286,341	120,534

10. STAFF COSTS

	2017	2016
	RM	RM
EPF and SOCSO	97,317	90,751
Long service staff award	24,300	4,000
Medical fees	3,466	4,870
Salary, bonus and allowance	728,936	675,451
Staff welfare	500	595
	854,519	775,667

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11. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

2017	Furniture and Fittings RM	Office equipment RM	Signboard RM	Renovation RM	Air conditioner RM	Refrigerator RM	Cafe bar RM	Post boxes RM	Total RM
At Cost									
At 1 January 2017	242,928	468,572	4,629	276,733	88,577	3,385	5,960	216,900	1,307,684
Additions	-	6,874	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,874
At 31 December 2017	242,928	475,446	4,629	276,733	88,577	3,385	5,960	216,900	1,314,558
Accumulated depreciation									
At 1 January 2017	195,254	423,781	4,417	76,347	35,525	3,384	5,959	215,933	960,600
Charge for the year	7,119	20,256	152	157,021	10,883	-	-	966	196,397
At 31 December 2017	202,373	444,037	4,569	233,368	46,408	3,384	5,959	216,899	1,156,997
Net book value									
At 31 December 2017	40,555	31,409	60	43,365	42,169	1	1	1	157,561

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11. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT (continued)

2016	Furniture and Fittings RM	Office equipment RM	Signboard RM	Renovation RM	Air conditioner RM	Refrigerator RM	Cafe bar RM	Post boxes RM	Total RM
At Cost									
At 1 January 2016	242,685	456,365	4,629	275,933	88,577	3,385	5,960	216,900	1,294,434
Additions	243	12,207	-	800	-	-	-	-	13,250
At 31 December 2016	242,928	468,572	4,629	276,733	88,577	3,385	5,960	216,900	1,307,684
Accumulated depreciation									
At 1 January 2016	185,723	404,200	4,172	65,231	35,072	3,384	5,959	213,613	917,354
Charge for the year	9,531	19,581	245	11,116	453	-	-	2,320	43,246
At 31 December 2016	195,254	423,781	4,417	76,347	35,525	3,384	5,959	215,933	960,600
Net book value									
At 31 December 2016	47,674	44,791	212	200,386	53,052	1	1	967	347,084

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12. INVENTORIES

	2017 RM	2016 RM
Consumables	-	285

13. OTHER RECEIVABLES

	2017 RM	2016 RM
Equipment deposit	3,700	2,000
Rental deposit	92,506	92,506
Telephone deposit	2,100	2,100
Utility deposit	2,450	2,450
Parking deposit	1,000	600
Renovation deposit	3,212	3,212
Restoration deposit	32,120	32,120
Other receivables	51,492	61,264
Prepayments	360	-
	<u>188,940</u>	<u>196,252</u>

Other receivables are repayable upon demand.

As at reporting date, no other receivables and deposits were past due nor impaired.

14. OTHER PAYABLES AND ACCRUALS

	2017 RM	2016 RM
Post box deposits	184,408	200,008
Accruals	2,800	1,750
Other payables	157,249	120,178
	<u>344,457</u>	<u>321,936</u>

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15. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

	2017	2016
	Total	Total
	RM	RM
Fixed deposits with licensed banks	1,870,024	1,806,843
Cash and bank balances	986,043	881,566
	<u>2,856,067</u>	<u>2,688,409</u>

Deposits are neither past due nor impaired and are placed with or entered into with reputable licensed banks.

16. LEASE ARRANGEMENTS

The future minimum lease payments payable under non-cancellable operating lease contracted for as at the reporting date but not recognised as payable are as follows:

	2017	2016
	RM	RM
Within one year	123,341	185,011
Two to five years	-	123,341
	<u>123,341</u>	<u>308,352</u>

17. TAXATION

The Kuala Lumpur Bar Committee is exempted from income tax by operation of Section 142(2) of the Income Tax Act 1967. As such no provision for taxation has been made for the current and prior years.

18. COMPARATIVE FIGURES

The comparative figures were not audited by PCCO PLT.

