

# MAURITIUS BAR ASSOCIATION



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Dear friends,

Your attention is drawn to a website '[lawyersmauritiushmu](http://lawyersmauritiushmu)' which advertises the names of various barristers as 'Members' and which provides for an appointment service with legal professionals including barristers in exchange for a fee.

From initial investigations with several of members of the Mauritius Bar Association, it appears that the permission and/or consent of barristers has not been sought for the publishing of their contact details, nor have they agreed to becoming members of the aforesaid website.

You are reminded of the provisions of article 7 of the Code of Ethics for Barristers regarding personal publicity which prohibits a barrister from seeking personal publicity, more particularly of article 7.2 which provides that "*A barrister shall not do or cause or allow to be done on his behalf anything with the primary motive of personal advertisement or anything likely to lead to the reasonable inference that it was so motivated.*"

The Council has written to the website provider and is presently referring the matter to the Attorney General.

You may wish to take any action that you may deem fit in your own name should you feel aggrieved by the above.

**Varuna R Bunwaree Goburdhun**  
**Secretary of the Bar Council**  
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