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**5<sup>th</sup> April 2021**

**COMMUNIQUE – Update on Trade Licence Fees**

Dear Friends,

As you are aware, Barristers are being subject to payment of a Trade Licence fee.

The stand of the MBA has always been that Barristers are non-traders and as such the payment of Trade Licence fees stems from an erroneous interpretation of GN 252 of 2019.

Following several representations made to the authorities concerned, the Bar Council took the decision on 15<sup>th</sup> February 2021 to contest the imposition of Trade Licence fees on Barristers.

The Council hereby informs its members that an application for Judicial Review has been lodged today 5<sup>th</sup> April 2021 with a view to contest that decision.

Yours faithfully,

**Mayuri D. Bunwaree-Ramlackhan**

**Secretary of the Bar Council**

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