



**24 February 2021**

Dear Law Practitioners,

I have been informed on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2021 by the Honourable Chief Justice of the reconstitution of the Board of the Institute for Judicial and Legal Studies and of the appointment of Mr Joseph Gérard Angoh, former Supreme Court judge, as the Chairperson as from March 1<sup>st</sup>.

As I step down as Chairperson, on behalf of the Board and in my own name, I express my deep appreciation to all law practitioners for their cooperation and collaboration ever since mandatory continuing professional development was introduced by legislation in 2011. It is safe to say that despite initial reticence, formal continuing professional development is now well accepted within the legal profession. The Institute has strived to maintain quality in the courses provided. Whilst many of the resource persons were law professionals of high calibre from abroad and renowned law professors of international standing, yet the contribution of our local resources was of no lesser quality and value. I am very conscious that for busy professionals, each contribution was only made possible by dedicating considerable time and effort.

It must therefore come as a matter of great pride to law practitioners that in its report, the Committee set up and chaired by the Right Honourable the Lord Philips of Worth Matravers KG to review among other matters, the running of courses for admission to practise law in Mauritius concludes that the Institute is *"the body best suited to have overall responsibility for the Vocational Course."*

I have no doubt that as a body deeply conscious of its role in the efficient administration of justice, the legal profession will continue to support the fostering of legal education and the new Board of the Institute.

Kind Regards

**Ah Foon CHUI YEW CHEONG**

**CC: The President of Mauritius Bar Council  
The President of Mauritius Law Society  
The President of La Chambre des Notaires**