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Report on Continuing Professional Development (Part 2) | CPD Camps

We refer to Circular No 004/2017 entitled "Report on Continuing Professional Development (Part 1) | CPD Training Events", dated 6 Jan 2017.

At the 70th Annual General Meeting of the Malaysian Bar ("AGM") on 19 Mar 2016, Members of the Bar adopted a resolution making the Continuing Professional Development ("CPD") Scheme mandatory for Members, to take effect on a staggered basis. With effect from 1 July 2016, Members admitted to the Bar from 1 July 2011 onwards are required to obtain 16 CPD points for each 24-month CPD cycle, and pupils who commenced their pupillage from 1 July 2016 onwards are required to obtain eight CPD points in the course of their pupillage.

This is the second of a series of four reports regarding the progress of the mandatory CPD Scheme in the current CPD cycle, which runs from 1 July 2016 until 30 June 2018 ("CPD Cycle #3").

During the first two CPD cycles, the CPD Scheme was implemented on a voluntary basis, pursuant to a resolution adopted at the 66th AGM on 10 Mar 2012.

CPD Camps

CPD Camps, organised by the CPD Department for the benefit of Members and pupils in chambers, were held in various states throughout Peninsular Malaysia, supported by State Bar Committees. Participants paid RM27 (inclusive of 6% GST) per person for each four-hour immersion session. The fee for attending the CPD Camps was substantially reduced by a subsidy from our Professional Indemnity Fund, and the trainers conducted the sessions on a voluntary basis.

The table below contains data about the CPD Camps held during the first six months of CPD Cycle #3, ie from 1 July 2016 to 31 Dec 2016. All the figures displayed are based on data received from organisers and updated in our database, as at 26 Dec 2016.

			Nu	ımber of Partic		
Date	Venue	Topics and Speakers	Pupils in Chambers	Members (Fewer than Five Years in Practice)	Members (More than Five Years in Practice)	Total
14 July 2016	Rawang	Basic Conveyancing Practice (Karen Cheah Yee Lynn)	2	6	0	8

		Essentials of Banking and Finance (Sumathi Murugiah)	3	5	1	9
26 July 2016	Penang	Introduction to Civil Litigation (Ravi Nekoo)	9	15	2	26
		Basics of Family Law (Pushpa Ratnam)	7	21	4	32
28 July 2016	Selangor	Basic Principles of Islamic Family Law (Hj Mokhtar b Abdullah)	2	13	0	15
		Introduction to Civil Litigation (Avinder Singh Gill)	2	9	0	11
3 Aug 2016	Johore	Introduction to Civil Litigation (Ravi Nekoo)	16	24	0	40
		Basics of Family Law (Pushpa Ratnam)	15	24	0	39
8 Aug 2016	Kedah	Basic Conveyancing Practice (Lee Peck Ha)	4	2	0	6
		Basics of Criminal Litigation (Salim Bashir Bhaskaran)	4	1	1	6
10 Aug 2016	Muar	Basic Conveyancing Practice (Karen Cheah Yee Lynn)	3	12	1	16
		Basic Principles of Islamic Family Law (Hj Mokhtar b Abdullah)	1	8	1	10
18 Aug 2016	Kuala Lumpur	Introduction to Civil Litigation (Ravi Nekoo)	7	27	1	35

		Basics of Criminal Litigation (Salim Bashir Bhaskaran)	4	17	5	26
25 Aug 2016	Klang	Introduction to Civil Litigation (Ravi Nekoo)	1	3	1	5
		Core Elements of Industrial Relations (Janice Leo)	0	10	2	12
6 Sept 2016	Pahang	Introduction to Civil Litigation (Avinder Singh Gill)	3	2	1	6
		Basic Principles of Islamic Family Law (Hj Mokhtar b Abdullah)	4	2	0	6
8 Sept 2016	Negeri Sembilan	Basic Conveyancing Practice (Karen Cheah Yee Lynn)	6	14	2	22
		Basics of Criminal Litigation (Salim Bashir Bhaskaran)	6	18	2	26
28 Sept 2016	Terengga nu	Introduction to Civil Litigation (Avinder Singh Gill)	2	15	5	22
		Core Elements of Industrial Relations (Janice Leo)	3	16	2	21
6 Oct 2016	Kelantan	Basic Conveyancing Practice (Lee Peck Ha)	15	4	7	26
		Essentials of Banking and Finance (Lee Peck Ha)	11	13	2	26

13 Oct 2016	Perak	Introduction to Civil Litigation (Avinder Singh Gill)	11	10	0	21
		Basics of Criminal Litigation (Salim Bashir Bhaskaran)	12	8	0	20
25 Oct 2016	Malacca	Introduction to Civil Litigation (Ravi Nekoo)	18	15	0	33
		Basics of Family Law (Pushpa Ratnam)	11	10	1	22
3 Nov 2016	Selangor	Basic Conveyancing Practice (Karen Cheah Yee Lynn)	9	12	1	22
		Core Elements of Industrial Relations (Janice Leo)	4	9	1	14
14 Nov 2016		Basic Principles of Islamic Family Law (Hj Mokhtar b Abdullah)	8	0	0	8
Tota	Total Number of Participants			345	43	591

The CPD Department aims to conduct 30 CPD Camps across Peninsular Malaysia from January to June 2017. These camps are open to all Members and pupils in chambers, at subsidised rates.

Thank you.

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