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The Hon. Speaker of the House,
Hon. Deputy Governor,
Hon. Premier,
Hon. Leader of the Opposition,
Hon. Ministers of Cabinet,
Members of the Legislative Assembly,
Legislative Assembly, 33 Fort Street
George Town, Grand Cayman
Cayman Islands

Dear Sir/s,

Re: Association of Legal Practitioners and Advocates (Cayman) Ltd.

We wish to inform you of the recent formation and incorporation of the Association of Legal Professionals and Advocates (Cayman) Ltd. (“ALPA”) (a copy of the constitutional documents, which include our objects, are attached for your ease of reference and perusal).

ALPA is a professional association of Caymanian Attorneys who operate either as sole practitioners, legal advisers and/or are employed by a Cayman Islands law firm of five or less attorneys. Our association was formed on the basis of there being a lack of representation of our segment of the legal community and the necessity to support that segment and secure the best possible future for any Caymanian attorney, who decides to take the step towards starting their own law practice and making this a viable option for them.

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The legal services provided by our membership are crucial to the administration of justice and to the rule of law in these Islands. Our members, and others in our segment, work closely with a wide cross section of the community to provide essential legal services, as well as affordable access to justice, including providing much needed support to the legal aid system. We represent a large cross-section of the grass roots level of Cayman Society and we believe that our input is essential in any decision making process which affects the legal profession.

As such, it is critical to the development of this jurisdiction that ALPA be given a voice and opportunity to assist in creating and maintaining the legal framework in which our membership is required to operate. We therefore humbly request that ALPA be included on, and provide input on any proposed laws, draft bills or any amendment to the existing legislative framework, which may at any time impact the Cayman Islands' legal profession or Caymanian attorneys. We are of the view that this will assist with providing a broader perspective on the issues and concerns within the legal community, and access to justice in the Islands.

Our membership and support is growing as it is clear that there is a void for the type of representation that is sought by our association.

We are committed and look forward to working with all members of the Legislative Assembly toward ensuring that the interests of Caymanian legal practitioners are fairly and adequately represented.

If you require any further information or have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours Sincerely,

ASSOCIATION OF LEGAL PRACTITIONERS AND ADVOCATES (CAYMAN) LTD.



Stephen Symons
President – Executive Council of ALPA