



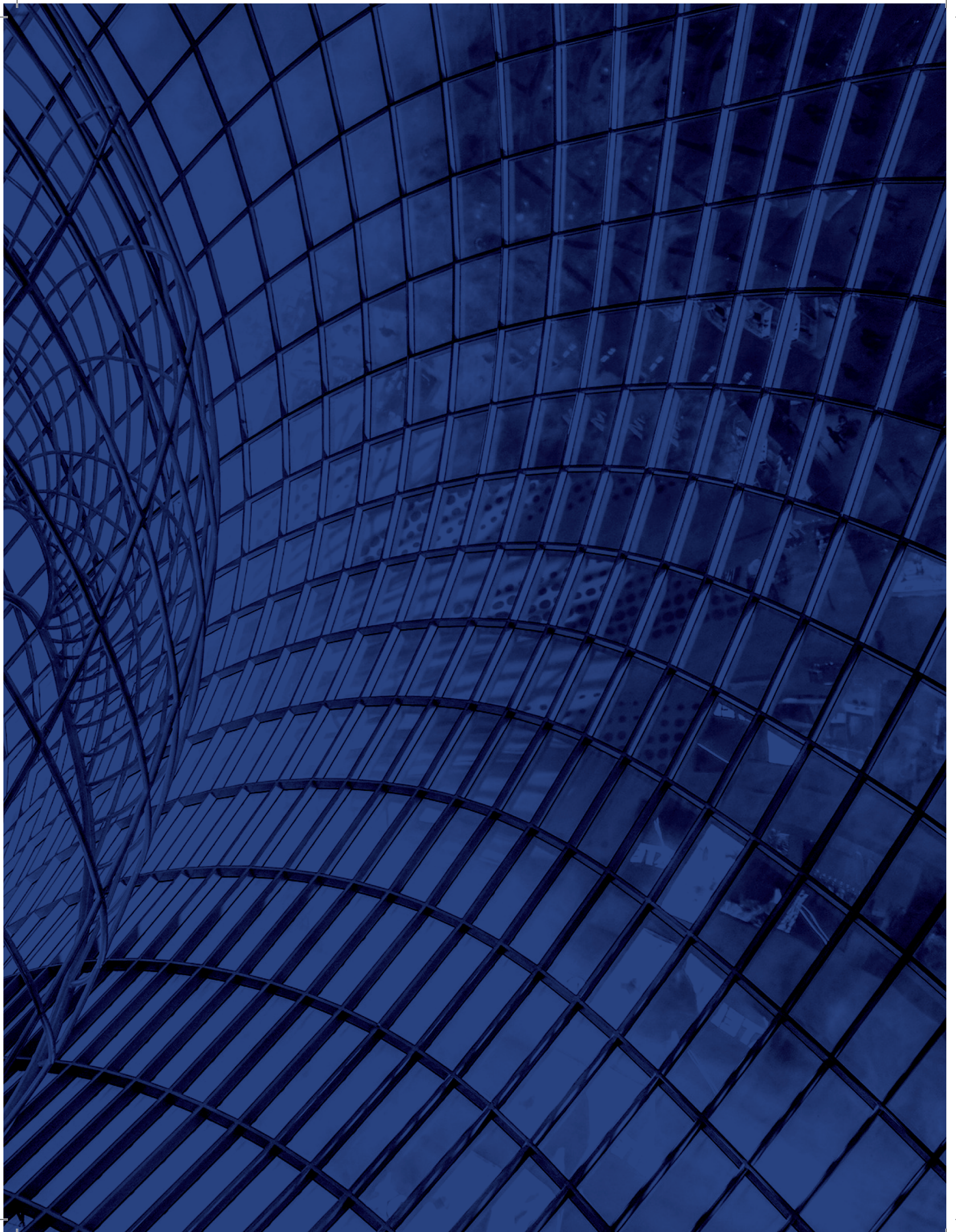
June 7 - 9, 2019 - Sandals Royal Barbados |

# KEEP UP!

LIFE OUTSIDE THE (BRICK AND MORTAR) BOX











## Welcome Message |

# MS. **LIESEL WEEKES**

**President** - Barbados Bar Association |

It is our pleasure and privilege to welcome you to our third annual Whitsun Weekend Law Conference entitled Keep Up! Law Outside the (brick and mortar) Box.

This year's conference is so themed because much of what is driving the emergence of new areas of law and legal practice and the development of new policies procedures rules and regulations is occurring outside of the confines of any one structured physical edifice.

From the mobile money independent of any credit card or connection to an established financial institution, to the effect of social medial communications on the fairness of a trial, to the efficiency of Registries and the ability for all of the functions of a Court to be effectively and legitimately executed without the cost, time or inconvenience required by the visit to a building. The concept of a truly itinerant court better able to meet the needs of a greater proportion of the public which it serves in a more efficient and cost effective way.

The conference content spans a wide range of interesting topics including discussions on recent legislative developments in Barbados from Data Protection to constitutional changes affecting the judiciary. It is our aim that when the weekend is over you would have been exposed to interesting provocative and edifying subject matter, you would have been able to transfer and share your own knowledge by your participation in and contribution to the discussions following each presentation and even more importantly you would have established new and invaluable collegial connections while strengthening existing ones.

It is our hope that we are able to deliver a product with which you were sufficiently satisfied that your valuable time was well spent.

We look forward to welcoming you back at Keep Up! 4 - May 29th to 31st 2020.

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## AGENDA

### FRIDAY JUNE, 7 | 2019

8:30am - 8:40am

**Welcome Address |**

**Ms. Liesel Weekes**, President Barbados Bar Association

8:45am - 8:55am

**Opening Remarks |**

**Hon. Madam Chief Justice Kaye Goodridge** - Chief Justice of Barbados (ag)

9:00am - 9:45am

**Leveling The Playing Field? Impact of The Abolition of The IBC's And The Restructuring of Corporate Tax Regime In Barbados |**

Moderator: Ms. Kaye Williams

**Mr. Andrew Ferreira Q.C.**, Managing Partner Chancery Chambers

10:00am - 10:45am

**A Whole New World! Anti-Money Laundering in the Digital Currency Era |**

Moderator: Mrs. Nicola Berry

**Ms. Sade Jemmott, LL.B, TEP, LL.M (UCL), MSc.**, General Counsel of BITT Technologies

**11:00am - 11:15am**

**COFFEE BREAK |**

11:20am - 12:20pm

**Transforming Information into Intelligence**

**Fraud investigation and prevention techniques |**

Moderator: Mr. Jared Richards

**Mr. Timothy Abrahams**, Partner – PwC - Forensic Services, Advisory Practice, Chicago

**Mr. Jude Vanover**, Director – PwC - Forensic Services, Advisory Practice

12:35pm - 1:20pm

**Privacy Policies and the Data Protection Bill, Barbados |**

Moderator: Mr. Omari Drakes

**Mr. Bartlett Morgan**, Attorney at Law

**Ms. Nicole Nurse**, Attorney at Law

**Ms. Shari-Ann Walker**, Attorney at Law

**1:35pm - 2:20pm**

**LUNCH |**

2:30pm - 3:15pm

**Resolution of Sports Disputes |**

Moderator: Mr. Gregory Nicholls

**Mr. J. Tyrone Marcus**, Attorney-at-Law, Co-Author of Commonwealth Caribbean Sports Law

3:30pm - 4:15pm

**Rights of the Child – Legal Representation and Sentencing |**

Moderator: Ms. Nailah Robinson

**Mrs. Jacqueline Sealy-Burke**, Director, Legal Aid and Counselling Clinic - Grenada

Afternoon refreshments will be available from 2:00 p.m. There will be no formal coffee break in the afternoon sessions.



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## AGENDA

SATURDAY JUNE, 8 | 2019

9:30am - 10:15am	<b>The Appellate Advocate and the Appellate Function in our Court System  </b> Moderator: Mrs. Laura Harvey-Read <b>Hon. Justice Andrew Burgess JCCJ</b>
10:30am - 11:15am	<b>Towards Expediency and Efficiency – E-Registries  </b> Moderator: Mr. Michael Koeiman <b>Mr. Bruce Preston</b> , Court room Expert for JUST project in Jamaica and JUSTICE Project in Ghana
11:30am - 11:45am	<b>COFFEE BREAK  </b>
12:00pm - 12:45pm	<b>E-Discovery and E-Forensics in Criminal and Civil Proceedings  </b> Moderator: Mr. Jared Richards <b>Ms. M. Georgia Gibson-Henlin</b> , Q.C. Attorney-at-Law CLPD Director JAMBAR
1:00pm - 1:45pm	<b>Social Media: The Impact of Admissibility of Evidence and the Right to a Fair Trial  </b> Moderator: Mr. Benjamin Drakes <b>Ms. Donna Babb-Agard</b> , Q.C. Director of Public Prosecutions of Barbados
2:00pm - 2:50pm	<b>LUNCH  </b>
3:00pm - 3:45pm	<b>Recent Constitutional Amendments and Judicial Independence  </b> Moderator: Mr. Gregory Nicholls <b>Dr. Ronnie Yearwood</b> , Attorney-at-Law, Lecturer UWI Cave Hill <b>Ms. Tammi Pilgrim</b> , LLM, Attorney-at-Law Partner LEX Caribbean
4:00pm - 4:45pm	<b>Revised Treaty of Chaguaramas – A Treaty Right to Legal Education? – Jason Jones A Case Study  </b> Moderator: Dr. David Berry <b>Dr. Corlita Babb-Schaeffer</b> , General Counsel to CARICOM
5:00pm - 5:45pm	<b>Corporate Identity and Liability in the Modern World</b> Moderator: Ms. Rita Evans <b>Mr. Rowan Pennington-Benton</b> , Attorney-at-Law

## Presenters |



### Mr. Andrew Ferreira Q.C.

**Managing Partner** - Chancery Chambers |

Andrew C. Ferreira, QC is a graduate of the University of the West Indies and of the Norman Manley Law School, and is admitted to practice in Barbados and Trinidad and Tobago. He is at present a Partner, and the Head of the Commercial and Tax practice at Chancery Chambers in Barbados.

He has completed post graduate legal studies in international law and holds membership in several international organisations, including the International Tax Planning Association, the International Fiscal Association and British Institute of International and Comparative Law; and participates at the Joint Colloquium on International Arbitration sponsored under the auspices of the ICC, the AAA and ICSID.

Incidental to his primary areas of legal practice (which is described as international economic law dealing with the legal aspects of several areas of the law of economic development), Andrew has been involved in several international projects, advising governments, regional and international organisations as well as development banks; he has provided legal consulting services to these agencies and worked on feasibility and pre-feasibility studies commissioned directly by these agencies. He is a member of task force on international tax advising the Government of Barbados.

At Chancery Chambers, he provides advice to clients on the tax law aspects of regional and international transactions, and has an extensive knowledge of the international tax law framework relevant to Barbados. His professional work and interests reflect a developed knowledge of this subject and of current issues related directly and indirectly to international financial planning. In addition he has worked in conjunction with the major accounting firms in providing legal support related to tax aspects of international structures.



### Ms. Sade Jemmott, LL.B, TEP, LL.M (UCL), MSc.

**General Counsel** - BITT Technologies |

Sade N. Jemmott is a Barbados-qualified Attorney-at-Law and Certified Trust & Estate Practitioner. Prior to becoming General Counsel of the Barbados-based Bitt group of financial technology companies, where she leads the Legal and Regulatory Department, she specialized in International Business at the pan-Caribbean law firm Lex Caribbean.

Sade has served as CARICOM Youth Ambassador (CYA) to Barbados, Vice Dean of Regional Initiatives in the CYA Corps, Global Shaper in the Bridgetown Hub and an active member of the Barbados International Business Association. She is also a Director of the Barbados Entrepreneurship Foundation, who she has represented on a national steering committee in relation to micro, small and medium enterprises. Having already earned a Masters of Law in International Commercial Law at University College London in the UK as a Chevening Scholar, Sade recently attained a Masters of Science in Integration Studies at the University of the West Indies, Cave Hill, with special emphasis on international trade in goods and services, regional integration and development.

Sade is also a business development consultant.





## Mr. Timothy Abrahams

**Partner - PwC** - Forensic Services, Advisory Practice, Chicago |

Tim is a Partner in PwC's Forensic Services Practice, based in Chicago. He has extensive experience in information risk management and governance, intellectual property and contract disputes, complex data analysis, digital forensics, eDiscovery readiness, data analysis, forensic accounting, and fraud investigations. Tim's expertise includes helping government and major public and private corporations across various industries worldwide prepare for and respond to unplanned events with a legal, regulatory, or compliance element.



## Mr. Jude Vanover

**Director - PwC** - Forensic Services, Advisory Practice |

Jude is a Director in PwC's Forensic Services Practice, based in Detroit. He has assisted numerous clients with complex global forensic matters and fraud investigations. His experience includes advising companies on fraud risks and current/emerging trends with regard to technology vulnerabilities.



## Mr. Bartlett Morgan

**Attorney-at-Law** |

Bartlett D. Morgan is a Senior Associate in the Barbados office of Lex Caribbean. Bartlett is the firm's lead on data protection and cybersecurity and has advised leading regional and international entities in the finance and tourism sectors on aspects of their data protection obligations in Barbados and the Eastern Caribbean.

He is a respected thought leader on data protection in the Caribbean and is regularly called upon to contribute at fora including the Caribbean Internet Governance Forum, the CARICOM Secretariat, the Regional Data Security Conference and the Organisation of American States' High-level Consultations on the Developments of a Cybersecurity Strategy for Barbados. He is also a member of the International Association of Privacy Professionals (IAPP) where he has contributed to their Privacy Tracker publication.

Bartlett is deeply committed to service in the telecommunications and internet policy spheres. He currently serves as one of 15 members of the At-Large Advisory Committee that advises the Board of the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN), the global not-for-profit charged with setting internet names and numbers policy. In Barbados, he is a member of the Telecommunications Reform Working Group, the Barbados ICT Professionals Association and the Barbados Chapter of the Internet Society. He has also crafted detailed commentary on a prior iteration of the Barbados Data Protection Bill on behalf of a coalition of ICT-focused civil society organisations in 2018.

Bartlett is a graduate of the Norman Manley Law School in Jamaica. He read for his LLB at the University of the West Indies at Cave Hill and is also the holder of a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of the West Indies at Mona, where he was named Prestonite of the Year in 2005.



## Ms. Nicole Nurse

### Attorney-at-Law |

Nicole A. Nurse, an attorney of 20 years, was admitted to practice in New York in May 1999 and in Barbados in 2005 and maintains good standing in both jurisdictions. Ms. Nurse is a graduate of the University of Western Ontario (BA, French & Philosophy) and of the University of Wolverhampton (LLB, Hons.).

Nicole has worked in the public sector, including as a Legal Consultant at the United Nations in New York. She has also worked in the private sector, including at George Walton Payne & Co. and FirstCaribbean International Bank, where she is currently In-house Legal Counsel. One of her responsibilities there is as Subject Matter Expert for Privacy Matters.

Having observed the ever-changing legal landscape relating to privacy across the globe, Nicole has conducted research in this area particularly in the CARICOM region. As cyber criminals become more active and their tools more complex, it has become necessary for legislators to address these concerns as a matter of priority. Our region is no exception as most territories have either enacted data protection legislation or are currently working on doing so. Of particular interest in her research is compliance by Data Controllers and Data Processors within the emerging global legal framework, especially as many of the data protection statutes purport to carry extra-territorial scope.



## Ms. Shari Ann Walker

### Attorney-at-Law |

Shari-Ann Walker obtained her Bachelor of Laws Degree from the University of the West Indies, Cave Hill Campus in 2014 and subsequently, her Legal Education Certificate from the Norman Manley Law School in 2016. Shari-Ann was called to the Barbados Bar in that same year and is currently an Associate at Willoughby & Associates. She has advised and represented clients in a number of areas including employment law, contract law, e-defamation, privacy law and on the recent European Union's General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). She has also appeared before the Caribbean Court of Justice (CCJ), in which a successful landmark judgment was obtained.

Shari-Ann is a legal technology advocate and has written articles on cybercrime legislation in the Caribbean, on cybersecurity awareness of legal practitioners and on practice management. She otherwise regularly writes on legal technology developments primarily affecting the Caribbean region.





## Dr. Corlita Babb-Schaeffer

**General Counsel to CARICOM |**

Dr. Babb-Schaeffer obtained her legal training at the University of the West Indies, Cave Hill Campus, before she travelled to Cambridge University to obtain her LLM in Commercial Law and subsequently her doctorate in Company Law. She is admitted as a Solicitor of the Supreme Court of England and Wales and as Attorney-at-Law in Barbados. She is currently General Counsel of the CARICOM Secretariat where she provides legal advice to all organs and bodies of the Caribbean Community and to the CARICOM Secretariat. Prior to this, she was a Counsellor (Legal), Permanent Mission of Barbados to the United Nations Office and other International Organisations, in Geneva, Switzerland, where she represented Barbados at bilateral, regional and international meetings and undertaking negotiations on behalf of Barbados at these levels. Corlita was Principal Crown Counsel at the Attorney General's Chambers, Barbados and lecturer in law at the Faculty of Law, Cave Hill Campus where she lectured and tutored Offshore Financial Law, Intellectual Property Law, Legal Methods, Research and Writing, Family Law and Public International Law. She served as Deputy Dean (Postgraduate & Research at UWI. As well as Deputy Registrar (Intellectual Property) Corporate Affairs and Intellectual Property office in Barbados.

Her areas of interests in law include Community Law, Public international law, Intellectual Property Law, Corporate law, Private International Law/International Commercial Litigation and Offshore Financial Law.



## Mr. J. Tyrone Marcus

**Attorney-at-Law, Co-Author - Commonwealth Caribbean Sports Law |**

J. Tyrone Marcus is an Attorney-at-Law admitted to practice in Trinidad and Tobago, Jamaica and Barbados, an adjunct lecturer in sports law at the University of the West Indies, St. Augustine, Trinidad and a member of the NORCECA Volleyball Legal Commission. He was a former board member of the Caribbean Regional Anti-Doping Organization (RADO), a past legal adviser at the Ministry of Sport and Youth Affairs and a past Chairman of the Disciplinary Committee of the Trinidad and Tobago Professional Football League. He previously served as the legal consultant for CANOC Broadcasting Inc., the Caribbean media rights holders for the Rio 2016 Olympics and has been specializing in sports law since 2006. He has a Masters' Degree in Sports Law and Practice from the De Montfort University in Leicester, England and is the co-author of Commonwealth Caribbean Sports Law (1st edn, Routledge, 2019). He has also published contemporary sports law articles for the International Bar Association, the International Sports Law Journal, the Sport and the Law Journal, the World Sports Advocate, the Law in Sport online journal and the Global Sports Law and Taxation Reports. He currently serves as the President of the Trinidad and Tobago Association for Sport and Law.



## Mrs. Jacqueline Sealy-Burke

**Director, Legal Aid and Counselling Clinic - Grenada |**

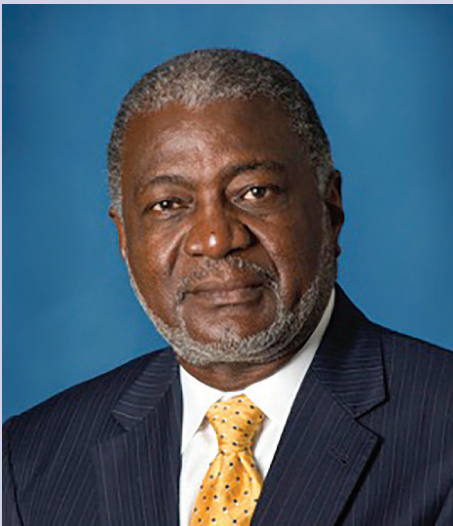
Mrs. Sealy-Burke has over twenty (20) years practical experience as a lawyer and consultant. She has local, regional and international experience, having worked throughout the O.E.C.S., the wider Caribbean and North America.

She has produced a wealth of research reports for international and regional agencies including UNICEF, UN Women, The World Bank, the OECS Commission, the O.E.C.S. Supreme Court, the Commonwealth Secretariat and the CARICOM Secretariat.

She is also an educator, having lectured at the University of Toronto and the St. George's University. Her area of academic focus is Family Violence.

The two (2) areas of child justice and gender based violence feature very centrally in Mrs. Sealy-Burke's social justice work. In addition to extensive research, she has developed legal and policy frameworks for the advancement of children and families. Her child justice experience is far reaching, having offered her expertise across the greater part of the region on a wide range of issues including diversion; institutional arrangements for children in conflict with the law; program development and legal reform.

She brings a socio-legal perspective to all aspects of her work. Her dual experience in the fields of social services and legal practice allows her to establish the often missed linkages between the law and social service delivery. This asset significantly enhanced her role as the immediate past Director (2003-March 2017) of the Grenada Legal Aid and Counseling Clinic, which is a multidisciplinary setting combining legal interventions; psycho-social services; advocacy; research and public legal education.



## Hon. Justice Andrew Burgess JCCJ

The Honourable Mr. Justice Andrew Burgess, a native of Barbados, was sworn in as a CCJ Judge on the 18th of January 2019. He was previously a Court of Appeal Judge in Barbados, a Dean of the Faculty of Law at The University of the West Indies' Cave Hill campus and a Professor of Corporate and Commercial Law. At the University of the West Indies, he had the distinction of being the longest-serving dean at the Law Faculty's Cave Hill campus. He also was the first law graduate to be appointed a professor and also serve as Dean. In 2013, Mr. Justice Burgess was awarded by the Office of Alumni Relations of the University of the West Indies for his outstanding contribution to the Faculty of Law.

He is currently a judge on the 7-member panel of the World Bank Administrative Tribunal, having been appointed in 2013. In 2017, he was elected by his fellow Judges to be the Vice President of the tribunal. The Tribunal is the final and binding forum of last resort for the resolution of cases submitted by members of the staff of the bank alleging non-observance of their contracts of employment or terms of appointment. The present World Bank Administrative Tribunal also comprises judges from the United States, Argentina, Egypt, Sierra Leone, Iran and France.

He also had a distinguished career internationally as a judge of the Inter-American Development Bank's Administrative Tribunal in Washington, D.C. Mr. Justice Burgess was the body's Vice-President in 2007 and 2009 and served as President from 2009-2010.

Mr. Justice Burgess is also an author, having published Commonwealth Caribbean Company Law in 2013 and The Law of Corporate Receivers and Receiver-Managers in 2002, in addition to being published on legal issues especially in corporate and commercial jurisprudence.

The career of Mr. Justice Burgess also includes terms as a Senator in the Senate and as a Councillor in the Council of the University of the West Indies; as a member of the Barbados Judicial Council, as a member of the Tax Appeal Tribunal in Barbados, and as Chairman of a number of national and regional committees. He was a Senior Commonwealth Fellow at Oxford University, England between 1992-1993. He is married to Mrs. Sandra Osborne-Burgess and is the father of two sons, Ayo and Akil.





## Mr. Bruce Preston

**Court room Expert** - JUST project in Jamaica and JUSTICE Project in Ghana |

Bruce Preston has worked for the Courts Administration Service in Toronto since 1989. He has moved to progressively more senior positions, and is presently an Assessment and Taxation Officer. Since 2010, Bruce has participated in justice reform initiatives for court registrars, administrators and judges in Ghana and Jamaica with regard to caseload management, records management, judicial case management, and scheduling. As part of these initiatives he developed a records management system for the Jamaica Parish Court. In 2017, he worked half time with the UNDP in Jamaica. He has a Master's degree from Brock University specializing in Judicial Administration (1987), and since that time has completed continuing education courses related to dispute resolution, decision-writing, negotiation, and running a fair hearing. He is currently completing a Master's degree in pastoral care and counseling at McMaster University. Bruce is married and has two children.



## Ms. M. Georgia Gibson-Henlin Q.C.

**Attorney-at-Law** - CLPD, **Director** - JAMBAR |

Called to the Jamaican Bar in 1993 and admitted to the inner bar in 2015, Georgia has practised in all the courts in Jamaica with her current focus being: Supreme Court, Court of Appeal and the Privy Council. She is also a member of the Ontario Bar since 2002 and a Notary Public for Ontario.

M. Georgia Gibson Henlin's practice focuses on Information Technology, Telecommunications, Competition Law, Commercial and complex legal issues. She has wide ranging experience in other areas of the law including Intellectual Property, Family, Estate Planning, Real Estate, Commercial, Finance and Taxation. In 2002 she was awarded a Master of Laws Degree in Innovation Law and Policy from the University of Toronto where she specialized in the Law of E-Commerce and Information Technology, Legal Issues in Cyberspace, Telecommunications Economics, Wireless Communications (Spread Spectrum), Internet Law and Governance, Entertainment Law, Freedom of Expression and the Press, Intellectual Property in the Digital Era and Intellectual Property in Cyberspace. She has in the past acted for the telecommunications regulatory authority The Office of Utilities Regulation particularly as it relates to its functions under the Telecommunications Act 2000.

She has worked with one of the major Mobile Telecommunications providers particularly as it relates to Interactive Voice Response (IVR), Short Messaging Services (SMS), numbering issues and competition law issues and the use and misuse of confidential information. She has responded to Office of Utilities Regulations Consultative documents on Universal Service and Dominance in Mobile Call Termination.

She has provided advice on and published papers on competition in communications. She is referenced in the BICSI 1st edition Wireless Design Manual and has authored the 2nd Chapter of the Wireless Design Reference Manual and has co-authored the 2nd Chapter of the 3rd Edition. She has authored a chapter on Legal Issues relating to the Electronic Security Design Professional Manual in the BICSI organization published in January 2009.

She has published numerous Journal Articles on "VoIP: A Regulatory Conundrum Under the Telecommunications Act 2000", "Internet Protocol Telephony – The Demise of Traditional Regulatory Paradigms? Implications for Caribbean Countries.", "Flight or Right: Issues relating to Custody and Access to Children in Jamaica", "Access to Justice via Technology", "By Any Means Necessary – Pirating v. Protecting Copyright!" .

She is a member of the Jamaican Bar; The Ontario Bar, the Civil Procedure and Practice Sub-Committee of the Jamaican Bar Association; The Technology, Broadcasting and Telecommunications Committee of the Jamaican Bar Association; The Private Sector Organisation of Jamaica (firm representative); Jamaica Chamber of Commerce (firm representative); Congress of Fellows – Centre for International Legal Studies; The International Trademark Association (INTA); International Technology Law Association (Itech Law).



## Mrs. Donna Babb-Agard Q.C.

**Director of Public Prosecutions - Barbados |**

Mrs. Donna Babb-Agard, Q.C., pursued her Bachelor of Laws Degree (LLB) at the University of the West Indies, Cave Hill Campus, in Barbados; and the Legal Education Certificate (LEC) at the Norman Manley Law School in Jamaica.

She was admitted to the Barbados Bar in October 1991, and spent her first year specializing in Family Law; Personal Injury and Wrongful Dismissal Cases. She also appeared as Defence Counsel in a number of Criminal matters with her Learned Senior, and this re-ignited her passion for the Criminal Law.

Mrs. Babb-Agard left private practice in 1992, and joined the Department of Public Prosecutions as a Crown Counsel; and in 1998, was appointed to act as a Magistrate, presiding over the Criminal Courts and Traffic Court at District "A" in Bridgetown. On her return to the Department of Public Prosecutions, Mrs. Babb-Agard, Q.C., was promoted to Principal Crown Counsel, and was subsequently selected as a member of the Barbados Delegation, to appear alongside a former Attorney-General, before the Inter-American Court of Human Rights in Washington, D.C., United States of America, to argue issues surrounding the abolition of the Death Penalty.

Over the past twenty-eight years, she has prosecuted a wide range of criminal cases in Barbados, primarily: Money Laundering, Murders, Fraud, Sexual Offences and Drugs. In 2009, she was successful in arguing, on behalf of the Crown, the first two Criminal Appeals from Barbados, before the Caribbean Court of Justice (CCJ), in Trinidad and Tobago.

In November 2005, having gained extensive experience in the criminal courts, Mrs. Babb-Agard, Q.C., became the first female to be appointed as Deputy Director of Public Prosecutions in Barbados. Four years later she "took silk", and was called to the Inner Bar and elevated to the honour of Queen's Counsel.

Mrs. Babb-Agard has delivered lectures locally and internationally. One such Paper presented locally was entitled "Delays in the Criminal Justice System in Barbados" which explored delays from the moment an accused is charged with an offence until the conclusion of his criminal trial. That Presentation was the catalyst for a Judicial Report which drafted Recommendations to combat major delays in the Criminal Courts.

In October 2017, Mrs. Babb-Agard, Q.C., with the generous assistance of the Embassy of the United States of America and British High Commission in Barbados, organized and hosted the First Director of Public Prosecutions' Conference with the main focus on Cybercrime and Transnational Organized Crime.

Mrs. Babb-Agard, Q.C., was appointed Director of Public Prosecutions on January 01, 2018, becoming the first female in Barbados to hold that post.

As recently as mid-May 2019, Mrs. Babb-Agard, Q.C. delivered a joint presentation with the Director of Public Prosecutions in the Cayman Islands during the 34th Annual General Meeting and Conference of the Association of Caribbean Commissions of Police (ACCP) entitled: "Challenges and Opportunities of Prosecuting in a Digital Age". Mrs. Babb-Agard, Q.C. is a member of the International Association of Prosecutors.

Mrs. Babb-Agard is married and has three (3) children.





## Dr. Ronnie Yearwood

**Attorney-at-Law, Lecturer - UWI Cave Hill |**

Dr. Ronnie R. F. Yearwood is a qualified lawyer having been called to the Senior Courts of England and Wales (2013) and the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court of the British Virgin Islands (2016). He was recently admitted as a Freeman of the City of London Solicitors' Company (2018). Dr. Yearwood is a Chevening Scholar, National Development Scholar and Overseas Research Scholar. He attended the University of West Indies, University of California, Berkeley and University of Newcastle.

He has practiced in international finance and banking law, which included structured products, derivatives, restructuring and loans; general commercial, contract and corporate law, and offshore law. He practiced at Ashurst and K&L Gates in London, and offshore at Conyers Dill & Pearman in the British Virgin Islands. He has also worked in-house in the Treasury Legal team of the investment bank Goldman Sachs International (London).

He also has experience in World Trade Organisation (WTO) law, holding a doctorate in international economic law, and having worked, published and lectured in the area. He has public policy experience having worked in the Prime Minister's Office (Barbados) (specifically with the Research Office, the Caribbean Single Market & Economy Implementation Unit, and the National Committee on Cultural Industries.)

Dr. Yearwood currently lectures in law at the University of the West Indies, Cave Hill Campus. He has published in the areas of WTO law, banking, fintech, Islamic finance and regulatory sandboxes. His research areas also include legal theory, international economic law, offshore law, fintech, legal education, women in politics and governance



## Ms. Tammi Pilgrim LLM

**Attorney-at-Law, Partner - LEX Caribbean |**

Tammi C. Pilgrim specialises in commercial dispute resolution, particularly arbitration (domestic and international) and commercial litigation. She has appeared in complex litigation cases before the Barbados and Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court and the CCJ in (among others) arbitration-related matters, banking and contract disputes, cross-border relief/assistance matters and jurisdictional disputes. Her international commercial and investment treaty arbitration experience, under the ICSID, ICC, LCIA and LMAA arbitration rules, was earned in the London office of a respected international law firm's Global Arbitration Group.

Admitted to practice in Barbados, St. Lucia and New York, Tammi brings a multi-jurisdictional perspective to clients' investment and commercial needs, including assessment of investment risk, rule of law, compliance and enforcement issues. She co-authored the Barbados chapter of Thomson Reuters Global Guides on Dispute Resolution and, in 2018, delivered a presentation on a sustainable development-based model regional bilateral investment treaty entitled, "Using BITs to Pick Up the Pieces: Offering investor protection and minimising pitfalls for small island developing states" at the Caribbean Commercial Law Workshop in the Bahamas.

Tammi has an LL.M in International Legal Studies (with Distinction) from the Georgetown University Law Center, Washington D.C. (specialising in International Arbitration & Dispute Resolution). She graduated from the Hugh Wooding Law School in 2006, appearing on the Principal's Roll of Honour and receiving the Peterson Lambert Peterson & Co prize for the Best Performance in Evidence and Forensic Medicine. She also holds an LL.B (Upper Second Class Honours) from the University of the West Indies, Barbados.

Memberships include the International Bar Association, American Bar Association, Young ICSID and the London Court of International Arbitration's Young International Arbitration Group (YIAG). She is a native English speaker and is proficient in Spanish.



## Mr. Rowan Pennington-Benton

### Attorney-at-Law |

Rowan practises in two main areas – commercial law and public/Constitutional law. Much of his work has an international dimension (including commercial and international arbitration, advising and appearing in cases from a range of foreign jurisdictions, and dealing with appeals to the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council). Increasing practice in DLT, blockchain and crypto-currency work. Rowan is rated in the UK Legal 500 (2018): ‘He has a brilliant and versatile legal mind and a real passion for his cases and his clients.’

#### Recent work includes:

- On-going commercial arbitration in the Caribbean (value \$70m), concerning allegations of fraud and corruption in respect of the Citizenship By Investment scheme.
- Commercial arbitration – LCIA (London seat), successful multi-million Euro dispute arising out of the sale, and alleged breach of warranties, in respect of an off-shore run-of-the-river energy facility. Now cross-border enforcing the Awards in Italy and Madagascar.
- Energy disputes: Representing B.O.T Government in on-going commercial proceedings, arising out of a dispute for breach of service and standards agreement for ad hoc energy supply to the national grid.
- State Aid – judicial review: claim in Gibraltar (over £100m), concerning a finding that non-taxation of passive interest amounted to State Aid in breach of EU law. Privy Council appeals including:  
Dean v Bhim Privy Council [2019] UKPC 10 (wills / probate appeals, findings of fact);  
Archie v Law Association of Trinidad and Tobago [2018] UKPC 23 (impeachment/ investigation of judicial wrongdoing);  
Arawak Homes Ltd v Attorney General of the Bahamas [2016] 1 W.L.R. 5214 (compulsory purchase of land / property rights).
- Public law: judicial review and appeals in the UK and abroad – most recently:  
Patel v Secretary of State for the Home Department UKSC 2018/0006 (UK Supreme Court appeal concerning the scope of the right to citizenship, in the context of third party carers of British citizens – immigration / human rights);  
R (Scunthorpe United Football Club Ltd v Greater Lincolnshire LEP Ltd [2018] EWHC 3351 (judicial review of a planning / local enterprise decision in respect of development grant).

Rowan is a successful and highly persuasive advocate, regularly instructed to appear before the UK’s highest courts – including the Supreme Court / Privy Council. His advice is insightful, clear and timeously delivered.



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