

JUST RIGHTS

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1. **NEW LEGISLATION**: The Bar has received the following Bills from the Houses of Parliament (Gordon House):
 - (a) An Act to Amend the Constitution of Jamaica to provide for the Charter of Fundamental Rights and Freedoms and for connected matters. (**Act No. 12/11**);
 - (b) An Act to Amend the Constitution of Jamaica. (**Act No. 13/11**);
 - (c) An Act to Amend the Foreign Nationals Commonwealth Citizens (Employment) Act. (**Act No. 14/11**);
 - (d) An Act to Apply a sum of the Consolidated Fund to the service of the year ending on the 31st day of March, 2012 and to appropriate the sum granted in this Session of Parliament (**Act No. 15/11**);

Copies of these may be obtained from the Bar office.

2. **LEGAL NOTICE**

The Land Administration and Management Programme and the Inter-American Development Bank (LAMP/IDB) will be having a workshop/seminar targeting Attorneys and Paralegal on Wednesday, August 10, 2011 from 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon at the Spanish Court Hotel registration is at 8:30 a.m.

The objective of the seminar is to improve the private Bar's understanding of the requirements for registration under the Special Provisions Act.

3. **OVERSEAS PROGRAMMES/SEMINARS**:

- The International Bar Association (**IBA**) Annual Conference will be held in Dubai, October 30 – November 4, 2011. The Opening Ceremony Keynote Speaker is Nobel laureate is **Dr. Mohamed ElBaradei**. Discounted, early registration fees are available until July 29, 2011.

- The 2011 National Convention of Lawyers will be held in Nantes, France on 19-22 October, 2011 in the presence of French President Nicolas Sarkozy (subject to confirmation). The main theme of the national convention is “*Trust, Confidence and Security: the new legal needs*”

Please contact the Bar office for further information.

4. REPORTS/PUBLICATIONS

The following reports are available at the Bar office:

- The Open Society Justice Initiative – The Socioeconomic Impact of Pretrial Detention
- Executive Summary Regional Human Development Report for the Latin America and the Caribbean 2010; Acting on the future:breaking the intergenerational transmission of inequality
- Criminal Law & Justice Weekly (CL&J) Vol. 175 No. 22 May 28, 2011
- Criminal Bar Quarterly (CBQ) Issue 2 Summer 2011

5. JAMBAR CONTACT: The Association’s offices are located at 78 Harbour Street, Kingston. The telephone numbers are 967-3394; 967-9034; 967-3783 (fax); Email: jba@flowja.com. Website: www.jambar.org.

6. PRESIDENT’S CONTACT INFORMATION: Email may also be sent to the president at president@jambar.org.

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