



How can I become a member?

It's easy . . . simply log on to our website at: <http://www.cawj.org> and register.

What are CAWJ's future plans?

The CAWJ encourages judicial officers in their individual territories to launch local associations. An example of how a local association can play a role in promoting the rights of women - in January 2015 the Trinidad and Tobago Association of Women Judges ("TTAWJ") held a workshop on Sextortion and Sexual Harassment in the Workplace in association with the International Labour Organisation ("ILO") and the Industrial Court of Trinidad and Tobago.

CAWJ will also be partnering with the Latin American Association of Women Judges to co-host a Latin American and Caribbean Regional Conference in Sao Paulo, Brazil from 21-23 October 2015. This will be the first time that Latin America and Caribbean regions will be coming together to undertake such a venture.

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Why a Caribbean Association of Women Judges?

Judicial officers throughout the Caribbean are proud to have come together to launch a Caribbean Association of Women Judges ("CAWJ") to promote a greater understanding and better resolution of legal issues facing all persons and issues concerning women judges in the Caribbean region. The CAWJ will also focus on general issues affecting women and women judges in the Caribbean region. The CAWJ is particularly pleased that it falls under the umbrella of the well-recognized and respected International Association of Women Judges ("IAWJ"). The CAWJ is a registered non-profit organization.

Who can Join the CAWJ?

The CAWJ is open to all persons who hold judicial posts, both male and female, and also to those who have retired from a permanent or salaried judicial post. The CAWJ will warmly welcome all judges, magistrates, masters, court administrators, registrars, and any person appointed or serving in a judicial or adjudicatory capacity, including members of tribunals, boards and commissions.



The Executive Committee of the CAWJ comprises a formidable team of judicial officers from around the region:

- The Honourable Mme Justice Joan Charles (Trinidad and Tobago) - President
- The Honourable Mme Justice Maureen Rajnauth-Lee, JCCJ - Vice President
- The Honourable Mme Justice Yonette Cumings-Edwards (Guyana) - Vice President
- The Honourable Mme Justice Jacqueline Cornelius (Barbados) - Vice President
- Her Honour Paula Blake-Powell (Jamaica) - Vice President
- The Honourable Mme Justice Nadia Kangaloo (Trinidad and Tobago) - Treasurer
- The Honourable Mme Justice Carla Brown-Antoine (Trinidad and Tobago) - Secretary
- Her Worship Lisa Ramsumair-Hinds (Trinidad and Tobago) - Assistant Secretary

What does the CAWJ want to achieve?

To ensure that the justice systems in the Caribbean promote and protect the rights and interests of women and other persons and reflect equality before the law for these persons and the general population;

To implement and encourage strategies to achieve gender equality and equity in the Caribbean justice systems;

To encourage cooperation and collaboration among judicial officers in each territory and throughout the region to address these objectives;

To increase understanding of the broad range of social, economic, psychological and cultural factors that influence women involved in and interfacing with the court systems;

To seek to ensure diverse, merit-based and transparent judicial selection processes and that each judiciary reflects the population it serves and in particular is sensitive to the need for gender balance.

From its unique perspective to contribute to the understanding and resolution of legal issues facing women.

Do we have a Constitution?

The CAWJ Constitution has been approved. It is available on our website.