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Subject: Submissions on Unification of Solicitors and Barristers

Dear Sirs,

As a solicitor I would be against any unification of both professions. You are entering unchartered waters that is going to result in so many difficulties. In my view it's a total waste of tax payers money. The existing system has been in existence for many years and has stood the test of time. If there are concerns in relation to any issues with the current system then implement changes to deal with the issues. Don't abolish both systems that have been working for generations . You refer to improving the proper and efficient administration of justice by a proposed amalgamation of both professions. The administration of justice is run by the courts services. They dictate how efficient or inefficient it operates not the legal profession. They are civil servants run by unions . There needs to be a greater work ethic. There are numerous innovations that could be made to improve the efficiency of the courts services . Why does it take 16 weeks to get a grant of probate issued at the earliest, why does it take so long to get a case on for hearing from date of set done, why do courts start at 11 am and finish at 4 pm and many more.

It is within the public and everyone else's interest to make whatever positive changes are required to make a more efficient system. But introducing a new amalgamated system is not going to solve your problems. Identify the problems and inefficiencies and implement recommendations to fix the problems. Don't amalgamate the professions.

Regards

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