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JAWATANKUASA PEGUAM PULAU PINANG PENANG BAR COMMITTEE

Circular 21/21

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To Members of the Penang Bar,

Assistance for Members in Need: An Initiative by the Bar Council's LawCare and Welfare Committee

The Penang Bar Committee hopes that all Members are doing well and keeping safe during these difficult times.

We would like to draw Members' attention to the Bar Council's [Circular No 276/2021](#) on an initiative by the LawCare and Welfare Committee for a donation drive that was launched in July 2021 to assist Members who are facing financial difficulties due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Members of the Penang Bar who require financial assistance may submit their details through the application form appended below to secretariat@penangbar.org with the e-mail subject "Request for Bar Council's Financial Assistance" before 29 Oct 2021.

The guidelines for disbursement of the donation drive fund to assist Members is also appended below for Members' attention and reference.

Ravi Chandran
Chairman



DONATION DRIVE FUND APPLICATION FORM

Applicant (Member of the Bar)

Name	
BC No.	
NRIC No	
Name of Firm	
Situation and Circumstances of the Applicant	

Guidelines for Disbursement of Donation Drive Fund to Assist Members

- (i) All applications for assistance are to be made by members to their respective State Bars which will evaluate and investigate each application based on the following criteria:-
 - Poverty or lack of income and resources due to illness or incapacity;
 - Inability to afford urgent and essential medical expenses of the member necessitated by serious and or life-threatening illness or injury; or
 - Such other reasons as the BC may approve.
- (ii) State Bars shall forward all applications which they consider valid and worthy of assistance to the BC with reasons therefore and recommendations on the quantum payable.
- (iii) The Co-Chairpersons of the LawCare and Welfare Committee shall consider and decide on the State Bars' recommendations and forward the names of deserving members to the Finance Committee for direct payment to the State Bars which will in turn release the monies to the members concerned.