



Admission Ceremonies 8 October 2012

Chief Justice's observations

Ladies and gentlemen,

My colleagues and I welcome you to the legal profession. Your admission today bespeaks intellectual application and moral commitment. It will usually also reflect substantial support from parents, siblings and friends, and we welcome many of them to the Banco Court this morning. And we congratulate you on your personal achievement.

The hallmark of our profession is the deployment of our particular talent and knowledge to assist those who lack those things. We would hope that those you assist in that way will include persons without means or position in the community. That will reflect true professionalism.

You join a truly noble profession, and it is fitting you have been admitted in such grand, contemporary surroundings. Our joint mission, the delivery of justice according to law, is indeed a grand mission. It is integral to maintenance of the rule of law.

We warmly wish you well as you proceed now to exercise new entitlements and embrace new responsibilities.