

26<sup>th</sup> November 2010

Mrs. Rachel L. Culmer

Honorary Secretary

Bahamas Bar Council

Nassau, The Bahamas

Dear Madam:

Re: Vinette Graham Allen

I am writing to object to the call of the above captioned individual pursuant to the notice dated 9<sup>th</sup> November 2010 issued by the Bar Council.

I believe her call is to facilitate the Government's decision to deny a qualified Bahamian the appointment as the Director of Public Prosecutions. That decision in my view is contrary to the public interest. The Bar Council is bound in those circumstances to refuse the application.

There is instant litigation pursuant to this matter in the courts which reinforces the point made above.

Further, the reports about her conduct in her previous jobs does not support the view that there are particular and special skills which would make for an exception to the policy that Bahamians get first call on posts in the public service and in their country generally. The Bar Council ought to take that into consideration in deciding whether this is in the public interest.

Yours sincerely,

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Fred Mitchell MP

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