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Jennifer Barsky. Ms. Barsky manages the International Finance Corporation's (IFC) Global Financial Infrastructure Program and is responsible for leading IFC's work in the area of secured transactions reform and credit reporting systems in Latin America. Based in Bogota, she brings almost 20 years of international development experience in project and program management, philanthropy and donor partnerships. Prior to joining the WBG, she served as Nike Foundation's founding Director and worked across the globe for a range of corporate and international institution clients on issues of poverty and private sector development. She also served as a Lecturer at Columbia and New York Universities, where she taught classes on Poverty and the Extractives Sector and on Corporate Social Responsibility. She began her career as a financial journalist.



Spyridon (Spiros) V. Bazinas. Mr. Bazinas is the Secretary of the UNCITRAL Working Group VI (Security Interests), which is preparing a draft Model Law on Secured Transactions. As Secretary of the Working Group, Mr. Bazinas is responsible for preparing comparative law studies, drafting legislative texts and commentaries, and servicing the Working Group. Mr. Bazinas served as Secretary of Working Group VI, when it prepared the UNCITRAL Legislative Guide on Secured Transactions (2007), the Supplement on Security Interests in Intellectual Property Rights (2010) and the UNCITRAL Guide on the Implementation of a Security Rights Registry (2013). He also served as Secretary of the Working Group on International Contract Practices, when it prepared the draft Convention on the Assignment of Receivables in International Trade (2001). He has also been involved in the Commission's work on insolvency, bank guarantees, procurement and electronic

commerce. He has co-authored eight books and has published numerous articles on various international trade law topics and, in particular, on secured financing. He has also provided technical assistance, lectured all over the world on a variety of UNCITRAL work topics, and taught classes on secured financing in various academic institutions, including the Law School of the University of Vienna, Austria, the London School of Economics, the Bristol University Law School, Bocconi University, Milan, Italy, University of Paris V, Paris, France, the Moscow State Institute of International Relations (MGIMO) and the Moscow State University (Lomonosov), Moscow, Russian Federation, and the International Hellenic University in Thessaloniki, Greece.



Avery Belka (Ph.D.). Mr. Belka is Assistant General Counsel at the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco where he provides legal advice on banking laws and regulations to examiners. Previously he was the Deputy Central Point of Contact within the Reserve Bank's Division of Banking Supervision with responsibility for supervising the U.S. operations of Mitsubishi UFJ Financial Group. During the recent financial crisis he was Senior Counsel at the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System with responsibility for enforcement actions against troubled institutions and served as a member of the inter-agency working group that drafted the U.S. resolution plan regulations. He also participated on the Basel Committee's Cross Border Resolution Plan Working Group. He has been involved in a variety of initiatives in the Americas including a seminal 2001 study of the financial transparency and disclosure of banking in Latin America and has been a guest lecturer in Honduras where he discussed legal and supervisory issues related to secured lending. He has also worked in the private sector as Executive Vice President at a top 10 U.S. bank where he implemented a comprehensive compliance program. He obtained his Juris Doctorate degree from the University of California and his Bachelor Degree in finance from California State University. He is a graduate of the Pacific Coast Banking School.



Neil B. Cohen. Prof. Cohen teaches courses in domestic and international commercial law, contracts, and constitutional law at Brooklyn Law School, N.Y. For two decades, Professor Cohen has been a key participant in major domestic and international law reform projects with respect to commercial transactions. He was the Reporter for Revised Article 1 of the Uniform Commercial Code and for the American Law Institute's Restatement of the Law of Suretyship and Guaranty; in honor of his accomplishments as Reporter for the Restatement, he was named as the Institute's R. Ammi Cutter Reporter. Professor Cohen currently serves as the Director of Research of the Permanent Editorial Board for the Uniform Commercial Code. He is a Fellow and Regent of the American College of Commercial Finance Lawyers and an adviser for the American Law Institute's Principles of the Law of Software Contracts. In addition he has been a member of several drafting committees for revising various articles of the UCC. Professor Cohen has been active since 1995 in the modernization, harmonization, and internationalization of the law governing secured credit, serving as a member of United States delegation to the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) for its work on harmonizing and

modernizing the law of secured credit and as an Observer for the work of the International Institute for the Unification of Private Law (UNIDROIT) in its development of principles for international contracts. In 2009, he was named to the United States Department of State's Advisory Committee on Private International Law. He was formerly a professor of law at Seton Hall University School of Law and has served as a visiting professor at Columbia Law School in 1994 and 2009. Professor Cohen is a well-known lecturer on contract and commercial law issues and is a co-author of one of the leading contracts casebooks. He has published numerous law review articles in the field of commercial law, and has also written in areas as diverse as bankruptcy, medical malpractice, probability and statistics, and baseball and the law.



María Celina Conte. Ms. Conte has worked at the Executive Secretariat of the Inter-American Commission of Women (CIM) of the Organization of American States (OAS) in Washington, D.C. since January 2009. Ms. Conte is responsible for the efforts relating to the institutionalization of gender perspective and women rights at the OAS, as well as for the promotion of the integration of such perspectives in key areas/sectors of the OAS. She holds two degrees: a Public Policy degree from John Hopkins University, Washington, D.C. and another degree from the Politics and International Commerce School of Public Policy at George Mason University, Virginia. A national of Peru, she has received awards on three different occasions in recognition of her outstanding work at the OAS.



Richard Hawkins. With over 30 years of experience working with and for the Asset Based Lending (ABL) industry, Richard's career history spans all aspects of Risk Management in the sector. He was at the forefront of developing Asset Based Lending techniques in the UK in the 1980s. He is recognized as one of the leading experts in his field and has lectured and moderated at several international lending seminars and conferences. Richard established Atlantic RMS in 1997 with offices in London, Chicago and Hong Kong. Atlantic RMS is the leading International provider of specialized services dedicated to the ABL, trade and receivable finance industries. The business specializes in pre-lending reviews, audits, portfolio management, workouts, recoveries, consulting and training. They work for many of the leading financial institutions in Europe, USA and Asia including HSBC, Citi, JP Morgan Chase, BAML, Deutsche Bank, RBS, Lloyds Bank, Rabbo Bank, Santander, AIB and many more. Atlantic RMS has undertaken assignments in over 25 countries across 4 continents.



Niko Kluyvert. Mr. Kluyver is partner at Corporate Financial Solutions and Willemstad Private Equity Fund, which he manages together with his brother and partner, Albert Kluyver. Willemstad Private Equity Fund invests in a variety of Caribbean-based companies involved in trade, financial services, transportation, tourism and real estate. They started Caribbean Credit Bureau N.V. in 2003 and FactorPlus (a.k.a. Caribbean Factoring Services) in 2006. Mr. Kluyver started his career as a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) and subsequently worked in the banking sector for 10

years before starting as an entrepreneur. He served on several boards, including the Curaçao International Financial Services Association and the Curaçao Chamber of Commerce and Industry. He currently serves on the board of the Latin American/Caribbean Sub-Chapter of the International Factors Group (IFG) and is a board member of the International Factoring Association (IFA). He is a supervisory board member of several companies, including InselAir, the largest privately-held commercial airline in the Caribbean. Mr. Kluyver holds an MBA of Erasmus University in Rotterdam, the Netherlands, a Bachelor degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Washington in Seattle and is certified as a public accountant (CPA) in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Mr. Kluyver enjoys sports and is a frequent participant in open water swimming events and triathlons.



Christopher P. Malcolm. Dr. Malcolm is a native of Jamaica who is admitted to practice in Jamaica, the Virgin Islands, Dominica, and St. Lucia. His legal and professional experience spans over 18 years, including as a lecturer in the Faculty of Law at the University of the West Indies, from which he obtained his Bachelor of Laws (LL.B.) degree. He also holds a Master of Law (LL.M.) degree, as well as a Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) degree from the Centre for Commercial Law Studies, Queen Mary University, London. In 2010, Dr. Malcolm completed a course on Legal Instruments of International Economic Law and Regional Integration from UNCTAD Virtual Institute in collaboration with the Universities of Barcelona and Chile. His research interests and areas of expertise include banking and finance; regulation and compliance; regional integration and economic development; international trade and investment; arbitration and alternative dispute resolution; corporate and commercial law. He has been the Head of the Legal Unit at the Organization of Eastern Caribbean States; Guest Lecturer at Queen Mary University in London; and Tutor of the World Trade Organization Trade Policy Course. Dr. Malcolm is the author of several notable publications; recipient of many distinctions, honors and awards; and has travelled, worked extensively and presented at various conferences and seminars within the region and internationally. He is also the Founder/Director of Partners for Economic Development Limited; Partner in Malcolm Gordon, Attorneys-at-Law and Chair of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators - Caribbean Branch. Dr. Malcolm was the Attorney General of the British Virgin Islands between 1 January 2012 and 31 December 2014. He has since returned to teaching in the Faculty of Law at Mona, University of the West Indies, and to private practice.



Joaquín Prestol. Mr. Prestol studied economics with a concentration in project design and evaluation and has completed additional education on participatory planning, microfinance and social development. Mr. Prestol is in charge of financial inclusion matters within the SME-promotion Deputy Ministry of the Ministry of Industry and Commerce (MIC). Currently, he serves as Manager of the National Program of Financial Education for MSMEs of MIC. Mr. Prestol also provides technical support to the Financing Program for SMEs (DR-L1045) of the MIC and the Inter-American Development Bank (IADB) for the establishment of the first National Credit Guarantee Fund and works collaboratively with the World Bank, the Finance

Ministry, the Central Bank and the U.S. Department of the Treasury's Office of Technical Assistance (OTA) on the implementation of the secured transactions system.



E. Patrick Shea, C.S. Mr. Shea is a partner in Gowling Lafleur Henderson LLP and was called to the Ontario Bar in 1997. He obtained his B.A. (with distinction) from Carleton University and his LL.B. (cum laude) from the University of Ottawa. He practices in the area of commercial law with a particular focus on the areas of commercial insolvency out of the firm's office in Toronto, Canada and is certified by the Law Society of Upper Canada as Specialist in Bankruptcy and Insolvency Law. Patrick has acted for a variety of clients in large corporate restructuring and insolvency matters in the entertainment, retail, automotive, airline, food and beverage, pharmaceutical and other industrial sectors. He sits as a member of the Canadian Bar Association's Legislation and Law Reform Committee and has been engaged as an outside advisor/consultant to the Canadian and Jamaican Governments on the reform of their insolvency legislation. Patrick served as a reserve Officer in the Canadian Forces. In 2012, he was awarded the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal, in 2013, he was made a Member of the Order of St. John and in 2014 he was awarded the Canadian Minister of Veteran's Affairs Commendation.



Alex Straun. Mr. Straun holds a Diploma in Financial Services from the Institute of Financial Services (formerly the Chartered Institute of Bankers) in London and a Masters of Arts in Banking and Finance from the Sheffield Hallam University, in the United Kingdom. He has worked in the Financial Services Sector for over 25 years, with approximately 22 years of central banking experience. Mr. Straun is currently a Deputy Director in the Banking and Monetary Operations Department at the Eastern Caribbean Central Bank. So far in his tenure at the Bank, Mr. Straun has been instrumental in the development of the Payment System Act, the Money Services Act and the Amended Bills of Exchange Act. He has worked with the Eastern Caribbean Central Securities Depository to improve Delivery Versus Payment (DVP). In addition, he developed the Business and Technical Specifications for the Eastern Caribbean Automated Clearing House (ECACH), a regional payment clearing house now being implemented in the eight (8) Eastern Caribbean Currency Union (ECCU) countries.



Carolina Subero Ortiz. A lawyer specialized in capital markets, Ms. Subero holds a Masters Degree in Finance. Currently, she is Deputy Director of Financial System Regulation within the Dominican Republic Central Bank. Over the course of her professional career, she took part in many working groups tasked with drafting laws, particularly governing the development of the Dominican mortgage and trusts markets, secured transactions, capital markets and debt restructuring, as well as regulations on repurchase agreements, micro lending, consumer protection, liquidity risks, corporate governance and integral risk assessment guidelines.



Patrick B. Trammell. Mr. Trammell is President of Southeastern Commercial Finance, LLC, headquartered in Birmingham, Alabama, and is First Vice President of the Commercial Finance Association (CFA). He is a graduate of the University of Alabama with degrees in accounting and business administration. He founded Southeastern Commercial Finance, LLC in the spring of 1996. Mr. Trammell is a member of the Alabama Society of Certified Public Accountants. Patrick is a former president of the MidSouth Chapter of the CFA. He has developed and taught several classes for the CFA, including the popular ABL and Factoring Basics Workshop. Patrick is an Elvis Presley Fellow with the Institute of the American South and an active member of The Saint Andrew's Society of the Middle South, the Institute of the Americas, and the Single Wing Football Society of America.

OAS TEAM



Dante Negro. Mr. Negro is the Director of the Department of International Law of the OAS, having served in the Secretariat of Legal Affairs (SLA) for nearly two decades. During his tenure at the SLA, he has advised the Secretary General in the search for solutions to border conflicts, as well as in the processes for democratic development. Mr. Negro has written several articles and materials regarding international law, especially focusing on the role and evolution of the Inter-American judicial system; the scope and content of the diverse Inter-American treaties; the Summits of the Americas, humanitarian international law and human rights. In addition, Mr. Negro has participated as an active panelist in numerous workshops, training seminars and high-level conferences, both within and outside of Latin America. Mr. Negro is a professor in the Master's program in International Protection of Human Rights at the Universidad de Alcalá, in Spain and is frequently invited to lecture in universities across the region. He earned his law degree at the Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú, where he has also completed post-graduate studies in International Economic Law. In addition, he earned his Master of Laws degree in International Law and Human Rights from the University of Notre Dame in the United States.



Jeannette Michelle Elisabeth Tramhel. Ms. Tramhel has a law degree (LL.B.) from Queen's University in Canada and a Masters in International and Comparative Law (LL.M., with distinction) from Georgetown University in Washington, D.C. She is a Senior Legal Officer with the Department of International Law at the Organization of American States (OAS) where she is responsible for topics in private international law. Earlier in her career, she practiced law in the private sector and worked with the Government of Canada; she has also served as a Legal Officer with the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL) and has taught courses in international trade, business law and legal research. She is a member of the bar in New York and Ontario (Canada) and the American Society of International Law. Jeannette has also worked as a development professional with several communities in the developing world, with emphasis on the use and benefits of the participatory process in sustainable development.



Martha Ramos. Ms. Ramos has been Assistant to the Director of International Law of the OAS since 1999, providing logistic and administrative support to the lawyers of the department. She obtained a certification as executive secretary from Sena (Bogota Colombia). Ms. Ramos completed her tourism studies from La Escuela Superior Profesional INPAHU and received her degree in paralegal studies. Ms. Ramos worked for el Banco de la República as part of the Secretariat for Economic Research for 13 years.



María Elena Cruz. Ms. Cruz joined the OAS in 2001 as an accounting technician in the Department of Financial Services, Secretariat for Administration and Finance, supporting the technical areas of the General Secretariat. After eight years in that position, she became a part of the Executive Office of the Secretary for Legal Affairs, providing administrative and financial support to all areas of the Secretariat. Prior to joining the OAS, Ms. Cruz worked in the retail industry, providing financial and administrative support at points of sale.

Additional information can be found on the OAS secured transactions website,
http://www.oas.org/en/sla/dil/secured_transactions.asp



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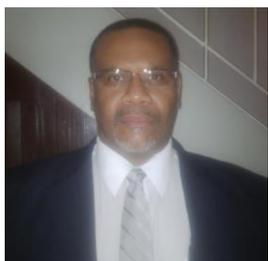
Curtis Barnett. Mr. Barnett is an experienced banker who has worked for over 25 years in the financial industry spanning the field of commercial and investment banking. Since September 2011 he has been the General Manager of the National People's Cooperative Bank of Jamaica Limited, in charge of thirty six branches. Mr. Barnett is a past student of St. Jago High School. He is a recipient of the Associate of the Chartered Institute of Bankers, ACIB (London); he also attained a MBA in Finance from the Manchester Business School in England. He has completed other short courses such as portfolio management, certified licensed securities dealer, among others.



Lilyclaire Bellamy. Ms. Bellamy has been Acting Executive Director and Legal Counsel of the Jamaica Intellectual Property Office since 2014. In this capacity, Ms. Bellamy directs the legal and policy aspects at the Jamaica Intellectual Property Office; provides legal advice and guidance relating to intellectual property laws, international relations and issues to the Minister of Industry, Investment and Commerce as well as to other ministries and departments of the Jamaican government at their request. She is an attorney-at-law and trained communicator, with extensive experience in intellectual property law, health administration and law. She holds bachelor's degrees in communications and law, a Master's degree in media studies with a minor in educational technology.



Dennis Chung. Mr. Chung is currently the CEO of the Private Sector Organization of Jamaica, the President of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Jamaica, Alternate Director of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of the Caribbean and Council member of UTECH, where he is Honorary Treasurer and Chairman of the Finance and Investment committees. A chartered accountant by profession, Mr. Chung completed his Bachelor of Science and Master of Science degrees in accounting, in 1987 and 1989 respectively, at the University of the West Indies, and the Certified Public Accountant exams in 1990 in California, USA. Mr. Chung has written a weekly column in the Financial Gleaner and then in the Jamaica Observer, on economic and financial matters, since 2003 and contributes commentary to both print and electronic media. He has done numerous presentations, in Jamaica and within the Caribbean region. He has also served on numerous public and private sector boards, including the Bank of Jamaica and First Global Financial Services Limited amongst others. He has authored “Charting Jamaica’s Economic and Social Development – A much needed paradigm shift.”



Joseph Cox. An economic consultant and advocate for over 25 years, Mr. Cox holds both a Bachelor and a Master’s degree in Economics from the University of the West Indies. Currently he is the Managing Partner for the Centre for Growth and Development and doubles as the Executive Director of Growth Secretariat at the Planning Institute of Jamaica and up until recently provided oversight for the IDB / GOJ Jamaica Competitiveness Enhancement Programme. Mr. Cox’s contribution to national development has also manifested itself in part through the establishment of three financial institutions and includes the preparation of the Taxation for Growth Strategy for Jamaica as well as the preparation of the Economic Development Strategy for Kingston and St. Andrew, coupled with advocacy on a myriad of social and economic policy issues. In addition, he is the President of the Trafalgar Council, former Director of Economic Research and Business Development of the PSOJ and Group Director of Corporate Development at Island Life. Mr. Cox has also distinguished himself in the international development community having successfully completed diverse assignments for the IADB and the World Bank. A prolific writer, Mr. Cox is the former Editor of the Financial Journal, a monthly financial magazine and is also an active blogger and former talk show host. He received the Prime Minister’s Medal of Appreciation for Service to Jamaica in 2012.



Mildred Crawford. Ms. Crawford is the President of Jamaica Network of Rural Women Producers, a farmer and a practitioner in community organizing and people empowerment, having worked with women in rural communities for over 14 years. She spearheads projects for poverty reduction, social protection and is an advocate for rural women in the Latin America and Caribbean territories. She has participated as an expert in the Expert Group Meeting on “Enabling rural women’s economic empowerment: institutions, opportunities and participation,” based on her expertise and experience in the subject matter/rural women. This allowed the opportunity to write and discuss a paper on Women’s Role in

Agriculture and to contribute to the formulation of recommendations for the report of the CSW56 meeting held in Accra Ghana in September 2011. Currently, she represents Caribbean grassroots and rural women before the United Nations on Women Civil Society Advisory Group for Latin American and the Caribbean.



Albert B. W. Edwards, C.D., LL.M. Maritime Law (LON), LL.M. Legislative Drafting (UWI), LL.B. (Hons.) (UWI). An attorney-at-Law (Jamaica) and Solicitor (England & Wales), Mr. Edwards has served in the Jamaican public service since 1983 in the field of law. Since May 2007, he has been Chief Parliamentary Counsel for Jamaica, serving in the Office of the Parliamentary Counsel. He concurrently provides leadership as a Statute Law Commissioner for the purposes of the Law Revision Act and in that capacity oversees the work of the Law Revision Office. He is also an Associate Tutor in Legal Drafting at the Norman Manley Law School, Jamaica, and speaks occasionally at various seminars on parliamentary and legislative matters. As Chief Parliamentary Counsel, he has had oversight over the Office of the Parliamentary Counsel's development of Bills that have led to well over 150 Acts of Parliament and the drafting of hundreds of pages of regulations since 2007. In 2014, he was conferred with the national honour of the Order of Distinction in the rank of Commander (C.D.) on the occasion of the 52nd Anniversary of Jamaica's Independence, for distinguished public service in the field of law and the development of legislation. In that year, he was also awarded the Civil Service medal in appreciation of his long and faithful service.



Sharon Ffolkes Abrahams. Mrs. Ffolkes Abrahams is the Jamaican Honourable Minister of State, an Attorney-at-Law, a lecturer in law, a long-standing newspaper columnist and a Member of Parliament for West Central St. James. Mrs. Ffolkes Abrahams is a graduate of the University of the West Indies, Cave Hill, where she obtained her first degree in law, following which she was called to the Jamaican Bar in 1981. In Canada, she qualified for the Bar at Osgoode Hall Law School and was called to the Ontario Bar in 1985. She received her Master's degree in Administrative Law in 2003 from Osgoode Hall, Law School, York University. Mrs. Ffolkes Abrahams is a trained human rights specialist who has successfully practiced in Ontario courts and tribunals in the areas of immigration, human rights and criminal law, and has always had a passion for social justice, having worked with the Constitutional Reform Committee as a law student in Jamaica. Mrs. Ffolkes Abrahams worked also as counsel for the Ontario Human Rights Commission, was a Human Rights Tribunal member and manager of human rights for the Bank of Nova Scotia in Canada. She is immediate Past President of the Jamaican Diaspora Foundation of Canada, where she represented Jamaica's interests. Upon her return home to Jamaica and prior to entering representational politics, she lectured in law at the University of Technology in Montego Bay and was a weekly columnist for The Gleaner newspaper on immigration matters.



Harold Davis. Mr. Davis is a trained industrial engineer with over twenty-five years experience in industrial development. His areas of specialization include development finance, agriculture, construction, business development, energy management and developing strategies for Micro, Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (MSME). Mr. Davis is currently the Deputy Chief Executive Officer at Jamaica Business Development Corporation (JBDC) and has served in this capacity since 2001. Prior to joining the JBDC he served in the capacity of Technical Services Director of the Productivity Centre at Jamaica Promotions Corporation (JAMPRO) and also as Industrial Engineer at Export Import Bank of Jamaica (EXIM Bank).



Sheron Henry. Ms. Henry is the General Manager of Legal Services at the Development Bank of Jamaica (DBJ). An attorney-at-law with over 30 years of experience in commercial and company law, Ms. Henry has spent most of her working life in the field of development financing with the Agricultural Credit Bank of Jamaica, which merged with the National Development Bank of Jamaica in 2000 to form the DBJ.



Wayne Saint Aubyn Henry. Dr. Henry joined Scotiabank Group Jamaica in September 2011 as Vice-President for Government Affairs. In this capacity he plays an important role in strategically managing Scotiabank's public sector relationships and public policy priorities, providing advice and counsel to the Bank, liaising with governments and multilateral institutions in Jamaica and other regional jurisdictions, and monitoring the policy environment for developments that would impact the banking and financial sector. Prior to joining Scotiabank, Dr. Henry was Chief Technical Advisor to the Minister of Finance and Special Advisor to the Minister of Agriculture in the Jamaican Government. He previously worked as the World Bank representative in Jamaica, and spent several years as a Lecturer in Economics at the University of the West Indies (Mona Campus). Dr. Henry has served on several boards, including those of Air Jamaica Limited, the Bank of Nova Scotia Jamaica Limited, the Caribbean Development Bank, the CARICOM Development Fund, the Statistical Institute of Jamaica, and the Student Loan Bureau. He is qualified to the doctoral level in agricultural and development economics from the Ohio State University. He also holds a BSc (Hons.) in Economics and Management from the University of the West Indies, an MBA (Finance) from Howard University, and an MA in Economics from the Ohio State University.



Anthony Hylton. Mr. Hylton is the current Minister of Industry, Investment and Commerce of Jamaica. Minister Hylton holds a Master of Laws (LL.M), with a focus on aviation, maritime, space and insurance from the University of London; a Juris Doctorate from Georgetown University and is a graduate of Morgan State University and Kingston College. He was the managing partner in Jamaica's first specialist aviation, maritime, international trade, energy, and general commercial law practice. Minister Hylton was a leading figure in negotiations in the World Trade Organization (WTO); the European Union/African, Caribbean and Pacific (EU/ACP) Cotonou Agreement; the Free Trade Area of the Americas (FTAA) and the CARICOM Single Market and Economy (CSME). A Member of Parliament, Deputy Chairman of the People's National Party and Chairman of the National Competitiveness Council, he is focused on the enhancement of the Jamaican business environment, and improving Jamaica's global competitiveness. He has served as Minister of Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade, Minister of Mining and Energy and has held the positions of Parliamentary Secretary and Executive Director of Legal and Foreign Affairs in the Policy Review Unit in the Office of the Prime Minister. He also served as Ambassador and Special Envoy of then Prime Minister P. J. Patterson, charged with preparing an energy policy and a diversification plan for Jamaica's energy mix with the introduction of Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG).



Antoniette McKain. An Attorney-at-Law, Ms. McKain is the Chief Executive Officer of the Jamaica Deposit Insurance Corporation. Prior to her appointment in January 2007, Ms McKain served as Legal Counsel and Corporate Secretary of the Corporation for three years, following seven years as a member of the legal team at the Bank of Jamaica. While at the Bank of Jamaica, Ms. McKain played a critical role in the establishment of the Deposit Insurance Scheme through her work on the legal framework of the Scheme. She was also part of the Central Bank's legal team that worked on the resolution of financial institutions during the 1990's financial sector crisis in Jamaica, prior to the establishment of the Deposit Insurance Scheme. Ms. McKain's expertise spans corporate, commercial, banking and financial regulation law and best practices. She also has extensive knowledge of public policy issues and public sector corporate governance practices and has recently been a member of a Committee of the Private Sector Organization of Jamaica, which made proposals for the reform and modernization of the insolvency laws in Jamaica. From 2007 to 2009 Ms. McKain was a member of the Executive Council of the International Association of Deposit Insurers, chaired its Caribbean Regional Committee and its Legal Committee and was also a member of the Membership and Communications and Governance Committee. In addition to her legal qualifications, Ms. McKain holds a MBA in Finance from the University of Manchester and Wales and is presently pursuing the Chartered Banker MBA designation.



Judith Ramlogan. An attorney-at-law, Mrs. Ramlogan is the Chief Executive Officer and Registrar of Companies Office of Jamaica (COJ). She graduated from the University of the West Indies in 1985 and obtained the Certificate of Legal Education from the Norman Manley Law School in 1987. She obtained a Masters degree in business administration (general management) from the University of the West Indies in 2001. Mrs. Ramlogan has been Chief Executive Officer and Registrar of Companies since April 2002. Her vision for the COJ is a public sector organization, which, with the use of cutting edge technology, delivers to its customers all over the world exceptional service every time, all the time. During her tenure as CEO and Registrar she has overseen the implementation of the Companies Act 2004 and the Business Registration (Amendment) Act 2006, as well as the upgrade of the agency's website. More recently she has overseen the implementation of the Business Registration Form and National Security Interests in Personal Property Registry. The Agency is presently working on several amendments to the Companies Act and the further upgrade of the COJ's website as well as the electronic Business Registration Form to facilitate online registration of companies and business names documents.



Hillary Reid. Ms. Reid was admitted to practice at the Jamaican bar in 1997 and to the Eastern Caribbean Bar in 2002. She has worked with Myers, Fletcher & Gordon since her admission to practice and has been a partner there since 2003. Hilary tutors in the Law of Association at the Norman Manley Law School since 2009. She is a member of the General Legal Council and a director of Postal Corporation of Jamaica and NCB Insurance Company Limited. She is also the Chairman of the Jamaican Bar Association's Commercial Law Committee and a full member of the Society of Trust and Estate Practitioners (STEP), a worldwide professional association of trust and estate practitioners.



Michelle Scott. Ms. Scott is the Executive Director of the Caribbean MicroFinance Alliance (CMFA), a network of Caribbean microfinance practitioners working to increase the visibility of microfinance in the region. With a degree in Economics and International Relations from the University of the West Indies, Ms. Scott has spent the past sixteen years working in the fields of business planning, project management, community economic development and micro and small business finance. Ms. Scott was instrumental to the development of the CMFA and grew the organization to a 118% increase in membership since 2011. She has guided the development of financial education training curriculum and the delivery of training to over 4,000 microentrepreneurs across the Caribbean. She is also a certified Smart Assessor and conducts in-depth client protection assessments of microfinance service providers.



Ky-Ann Taylor. Ms. Taylor is an attorney-at-law who was admitted to practice in Jamaica in 2006. Prior to joining Sagicor Bank, Ms. Taylor practiced as a commercial litigator in one of Jamaica's largest law firms specializing in banking and finance litigation. She has represented a number of Jamaica's major banks in civil litigation suits as well as other large multinational corporations in complex cross-border litigations. In 2011, she joined RBC Royal Bank as Counsel with responsibilities for the Bank's retail operations in the Northern Caribbean with an emphasis on litigation. Ms. Taylor is currently in-house counsel at Sagicor Bank with significant experience in the preparation of complex security documents to facilitate commercial lending as well as advising the corporate and retail units of the Bank on complex transactions. Ms. Taylor holds a Bachelor of Law degree and a Bachelor of Arts degree both from the University of the West Indies, as well as a Certificate of Legal Education with Merit from the Norman Manley Law School. She is also the holder of a Certificate in Mediation Practice.



Donovan Walker. An attorney-at-Law since 1991, Mr. Walker is a Partner at Hart Muirhead Fatta, specializing in the areas of corporate, commercial, maritime, real estate, mortgage financing, mergers and acquisitions, complex transactions and investments, sports and entertainment law. Mr. Walker is the President of the Jamaican Bar Association as well as a Member of its commercial law, publications, revenue and continuing legal education sub-committees. He is a Vice-President of the Organization of Commonwealth Caribbean Bar Associations (OCCBA); the Chairman of Subway (Jamaica) Limited; and Director of the Companies Office of Jamaica, Shelly Ann Fraser Pryce Pocket Rocket Foundation and Jamaica Beverages Limited. He has served as a Director of the Maritime Authority of Jamaica, Chairman of the Maritime Authority Pension Fund and Director of the Consumer Affairs Commission of Jamaica. He is a distinguished Past President of the Rotary Club of Saint Andrew. Mr. Walker read for a Bachelor of Laws at the University of the West Indies as well as a Master of laws at the University of London. He also studied at the Norman Manley Law School where he is presently an Associate Tutor. He was named as one of the Leading Commercial Lawyers in Jamaica by IFLR and Chambers Global.

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