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All the Secretaries of all the

State Bar Councils

Sub.: Resolution passed by the Bar Council of India on 26.3.2017 on the issue of the draconian, undemocratic and anti-lawyers “Advocates (Amendment) Bill, 2017” proposed by the Law Commission to the Government of India.

Sir/Ma'am(s)

The General Body of Bar Council of India at its meeting held on 26.3.2017 has considered the aforesaid Bill namely : The Advocates(amendment) Bill, 2017. After consideration, the Councils resolved as follows:-

1. The Council gives a call and request to all the Bar Councils and Bar Associations to abstain from court work on 31.3.2017. This will be in the form of a token of protest of the lawyers against the proposed amendment Bill, 2017.
2. The Council also resolved to convene a meeting of all the Members of State Bar Councils/representatives, members of ad-hoc Committee of Special Committees, the President/Secretaries of all the High Court Bar Association and the representatives of Bar Associations of Delhi and NCR on 8th April, 2017 in the premises of Bar Council of India to decide the date of demonstration as well as the future course of action to oppose the Bill.
3. It is further resolved to request the members of the State Bar Councils and the representatives of Bar Associations of the country to meet their respective-representatives(Member of Parliament) in the 2nd week of April, 2017 and to give a memorandum to the concerned Member of Parliament with a request to reject the proposed Amendment Bill, 2017.

4. The Council further resolved to prepare a detailed memorandum and to give it to the Hon'ble President of India, Hon'ble Prime Minister of India, Hon'ble Union Minister of Law & Justice and to other Hon'ble Union Ministers.

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