

## EASTERN CARIBBEAN SUPREME COURT

## VACANCY NOTICE

Suitably qualified applicants are invited to fill the position of:

## JUSTICE OF APPEAL

To be based at the Headquarters of the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court in Saint Lucia. Applicants will hear appeals in all Member States and Territories of the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court in accordance with the Schedule of Sittings of the Court of Appeal.

Applicants for the position of Justice of Appeal must (a) be or have been for a period or periods amounting in the aggregate to not less than 5 years a judge of a court of unlimited jurisdiction in civil and criminal matters in some part of the Commonwealth or a court having jurisdiction in appeals from such a court; or (b) be qualified to practise as an advocate in such a court, and has so practised for a period or periods amounting in the aggregate to, not less than 15 years.

This appointment requires, in the main, presiding over Commercial matters that involve an extremely busy and demanding case load consisting of high value, complex, cross-border litigation with a strong base in company, insolvency, trusts, asset recovery and enforcement law. The Commercial work of the Court of Appeal has global importance, particularly in the context of its Member Territory BVI where there is widespread use of BVI Business Companies in corporate asset holding structures around the world. Accordingly, the Court of Appeal is constantly under considerable pressure to facilitate and to ensure matters are heard and determined timeously. Much of the Court's Commercial work consists of urgent appeals and applications, often on an *ex parte* basis, for interlocutory relief. Commercial appeals typically concern worldwide freezing orders, the appointment of receivers over the assets of Business Companies and of provisional liquidators and liquidators of such companies, and applications for the discharge of such orders - whether on jurisdictional grounds or otherwise. It is desirable therefore that applicants have a common law background and sound knowledge and experience in commercial law, practice and procedure. However, knowledge and experience in a combination of commercial, criminal and civil practice and procedure is ideal. Specialist judicial experience in the Commercial division of a superior court of record, though not a requirement, is desirable.

Applicants are also expected to possess a high level of personal integrity and if successful are expected to subscribe to the Code of Ethics of the Judiciary of the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court.

SALARY: Remuneration package available upon request.

Interested persons may download an application package from the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court's Website – <u>www.eccourts.org</u> or request in writing from:

> The Secretary Judicial and Legal Services Commission P. O. Box 1093 The Waterfront Castries Saint Lucia, West Indies Telephone: [758] 457-3600 Email: jlsc@eccourts.org

Deadline for receipt of applications: <u>Friday, 13<sup>th</sup> June 2025.</u> Note: Only suitably qualified applicants will be acknowledged. The Commission does not bind itself to make an appointment from among those persons who apply.