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*From the President*  
會長信箋

To Editor/ Assignment Editor:

**Response to Media Enquiries about the Appointment of Non-Permanent Judge**

I welcome the acceptance by the Chief Executive of the recommendation of the Judicial Officers Recommendation Commission on the appointment of the Honourable Patrick Anthony Keane as a non-permanent judge (“NPJ”) from another common law jurisdiction of the Court of Final Appeal (“CFA”).

I support the continuation of the role of the overseas NPJs in the administration of justice in Hong Kong as provided for under Article 82 of the Basic Law. The participation of overseas NPJs, who are all eminent Judges from other common law jurisdictions with the highest standing and a diversity of international judicial experience, in the work of the CFA has made significant contribution to the development of jurisprudence and administration of justice in Hong Kong.

Yours sincerely,

C. M. Chan  
President of The Law Society of Hong Kong  
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致 傳媒編輯/ 採訪主任：

回應傳媒就任命非常任法官的查詢

我歡迎行政長官接納司法人員推薦委員會就任命祈顯義為終審法院其他普通法適用地區非常任法官的推薦。

我支持海外非常任法官在《基本法》第 82 條規定下繼續發揮在香港維持司法公義中的角色。海外非常任法官全都是來自其他普通法司法管轄區，具有最高水平和多元國際司法經驗的傑出法官。他們參與終審法院的工作，為香港的法理發展及司法公義作出重大的貢獻。

香港律師會會長 陳澤銘  
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