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THE SUPREME COURT OF THE DEMOCRATIC SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF SRI LANKA

කොළඹ 12/ கொழும்பு 12/COLOMBO 12.

05<sup>th</sup> November 2014

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The President,  
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**SUPREME COURT REFERENCE NO. 01 /2014**


I have been directed by His Lordship the Hon. Chief Justice to inform you that His Excellency the President in terms of Article 129 (1) of the Constitution, has referred to this Court the following questions for its consideration and for an opinion to be submitted to His Excellency on or before 10<sup>th</sup> November 2014;

“(a). Whether in terms of Article 31 (3A)(a)(i) of the Constitution, as amended by the 18<sup>th</sup> Amendment, I, as the incumbent President, serving my second term of office as President, have any impediment, after the expiration of four years from the date of commencement of my second term of office as President on 19<sup>th</sup> November 2010, to declare by Proclamation my intention of appealing to the People for a mandate to hold office as President by election, for a further term; and

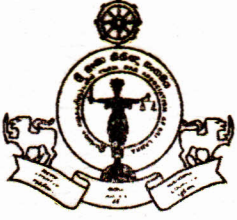
(b). Whether in terms of the provisions of the Constitution, as amended by the 18<sup>th</sup> Amendment, I, as the incumbent President, serving my second term of office as President, and was functioning as such on the date the 18<sup>th</sup> Amendment was enacted, have any impediment to be elected for a further term of office.”

I shall be pleased, if you could inform to the membership that written submission in respect of the above mentioned questions will be entertained at the Registry of the Supreme Court until 03 p.m. of 07<sup>th</sup> November 2014.

The Written submissions would be tendered to the Registrar of the Supreme Court.

  
Mrs. M.M. Jayasekera,  
Registrar,  
Supreme Court

**MRS.M.M.JAYASEKERA  
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Mrs. M M Jayasekera,  
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Dear Madam,

Reference your letter dated 5<sup>th</sup> November 2014, I wish to place on record our appreciation of the courtesy extended to the Bar Association of Sri Lanka inviting response by way of written submissions on the matters as referred to in your letter.

We have already taken steps and communicated with the General membership of the contents of your notification.

As the matter under reference is of grave National Importance, I would be obliged to be informed as to when the open hearing would be listed, permitting counsel to be heard in person.

Yours faithfully,

President  
Bar Association of Sri Lanka