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TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT OF PROSECUTORS
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From left: Clement Joseph, Samantha Williams, Latisha Williams, Leanne Brooks, Shatelia Hall, Oreika Selver, Leonard Franklyn, Front row: JoAnn Meloche, DPP, Angela Brooks, DDPP (Missing: Carlo Mason)
The Deputy Director of Public Prosecutors, Angela Brooks, attended the International Prosecutors Association annual conference held in Moscow September 8 - 12, 2013, representing the Turks and Caicos Islands.
Latisha Williams and Shatelia Hall will be participating in The School for Prosecutors administered by the Law Practice Management Division of the Public Prosecution Service of Canada July 21 - 25, 2014 held in Ottawa, Canada. A number of courses are offered annually in which a combination of lectures, seminars, panel discussions, and small group and workshop sessions (supported with written training materials) are used to enhance course participants’ practice of criminal law. The core faculty of the School is made up of experts in criminal law, and is mostly drawn from the ranks of senior prosecutors from across Canada. A number of guest speakers including members of the judiciary, university professors, senior defense counsel, and experienced police investigators, also regularly instruct at the School’s courses. The ODPP acknowledges the generous support of the PPSC for the opportunity to participate in this international legal development.
CONTINUED LEGAL EDUCATION

Clement Joseph and Samantha Williams-Glinton will be attending the Ontario Crown Attorneys Association annual Summer Crown School Trial Advocacy training August 18 - 22, 2014 held at Western University in London, Ontario, Canada. Trial Advocacy skills will be honed in practical courtroom exercises moderated by panelists of Senior Crown Counsel and Judges while being videotaped for critique. ODPP acknowledges the generous support of the OCAA by providing the opportunity for this excellent practical continued legal education.
PROCEEDS OF CRIME TRAINING FOR TCI AUTHORITIES

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A special proceeds of crime seminar which furthered the capabilities of the Turks and Caicos Islands (TCI) authorities took place this weekend, Saturday, 14 September 2013.

Organised by the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions, the one day course was led by Andrew Mitchell Q.C. assisted by Helen Garlick, and Rob Rinder and covered topics including restraint orders, seizure, confiscation and civil recovery.
Prosecutors and police attend workshop on forensic DNA evidence

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The Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions and the Royal Turks and Caicos Islands Police Force conducted a one day workshop on forensic DNA evidence on Friday July 19, 2013, with the assistance of DNA Labs International.

Working together with a view to improving the criminal justice system in the TCI, the effort joined 25 members of RTCIPF CID, scenes of crime and general duty officers and supervisors from the Turks and Caicos Islands. All available public prosecutors from both Grand Turk and Providenciales were in attendance.

Information sharing included crime scene gathering of DNA evidence, significance of findings, and presentation of DNA evidence in court. The DPP made a presentation on the TCI laws and admissibility issues regarding DNA evidence.

The director of public prosecutions, JoAnn Meloche, stated, “I was very impressed with the level of engagement and thank all participants for an interesting exchange of knowledge and ideas. It was a worthwhile experience.”

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PRESS RELEASE

The Director of Public Prosecutions is pleased to announce the successful completion of the Domestic Violence/Sexual Assault training program for prosecutors, police officers and Social Services officers. The Professional Exchange Program of the International Association of Prosecutors facilitated the program through the generous auspices of the British Columbia Crown Attorney’s Association. Expert in the area of these sensitive prosecutions, Ms. Jocelyn Coupal conducted an interactive two day program which included the following topics: dealing with victims; best practices in gathering evidence; taking statements; children as witnesses; among other issues unique to crimes involving sexual assault or assaults against a partner.

All participants were wholly engaged and provided excellent feedback about bringing the training into their daily practice of assisting victims and witnesses of domestic violence and sexual assault.

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