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BAR COUNCIL OF DELHI

(Statutory Body Constituted under the Advocates Act, 1961)

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Presidents/Secretaries
All the Bar Associations
Delhi/New Delhi.

RE : APPEARANCE IN THE COURTS THROUGH VIDEO CONFERENCING

Dear Sirs,

It has been reported by the Judicial Officers through the members of Bar Council of Delhi that the Advocates while appearing before the Courts through Video Conferencing, are not following the mandatory decorum and etiquettes as required to be followed.

The common faults observed are as under :

- (a) Advocates are not in proper attire while addressing the Court
- (b) Place and background are not appropriate as per judicial norms
- (c) Advocates does not mute themselves while not addressing the Court
- (d) Advocates are not on time
- (e) Proper software and hardware are not used
- (f) Frame of the camera is not correctly placed
- (g) Lack of proper lighting around
- (h) Advocates are not looking into the camera and not paying attention

The Bar Council of Delhi has seriously taken note of the same and hereby directs all the Advocates to follow the decorum and judicial norms. Any report received for not following the norms during the video conferencing shall be taken as a misconduct under section 35 of the Advocates Act and appropriate action shall be initiated on receipt of any such complaint.

In view of the above, it is earnestly requested to all the Advocates that video-conferencing is only a facilitating platform, but at the same time, Advocates are bound to follow decorum as per judicial norms, as is followed in the open Court.

Therefore, the above observations/guidelines must be disseminated by all the Bar Associations for the general information of Advocates.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Surya Prakash Khatri)
Chairman