



Government of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago  
Ministry of Justice

## **Minister of Justice Hosts Courtesy Visit by Attorney General and Minister of Justice of Bermuda**

### **MEDIA RELEASE**

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**The Honourable Devesh Maharaj, Minister of Justice and Minister in the Office of the Attorney General, met with Senator Kim Wilkerson, J.P, Attorney General and Minister of Justice of Bermuda, and Mr David Roberts, Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Justice, Bermuda, on Friday May 29, 2026, at the Ministry of Justice Head Office in Port of Spain.**

Minister Maharaj was accompanied by Ministry of Justice executives, namely Ms Trudy Lewis, Permanent Secretary (Ag.); Ms Ayanna Gaspard Clarke, Permanent Secretary (Ag.) and Ms Fran Chaitoo-Jacob, Deputy Permanent Secretary (Ag.). Representatives of the Legal Aid and Advisory Authority (LAAA) and Probation Services were also in attendance.

During the meeting, Minister Maharaj and Senator Wilkerson exchanged perspectives on strengthening justice systems through greater collaboration, innovation, and the sharing of best practices.

Minister Maharaj emphasised the importance of regional collaboration, pooling resources, exchanging innovative solutions, and enhancing access to justice for citizens in T&T.

Senator Wilkerson expressed interest in opportunities for collaboration and training noting that Bermuda's current focus is on strengthening legal aid and probation services to alleviate pressure on the justice system and improve service delivery.

Director/ Chairman of the LAAA, Ms Renuka Rambhajan provided an overview of the Authority's initiatives to improve accessibility and security including the recent introduction of two mobile legal units. Representing Probation Services, Ms Suzette Joseph, Probation Officer III, also highlighted the introduction of several programs currently being offered including guidance and training on anger management, self-esteem development, anti-bullying and career advancement.



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The visit forms part of the Ministry's ongoing efforts to foster regional partnership and cooperation, share best practices, and strengthen justice sector collaboration across the Caribbean.

The Ministry of Justice remains committed to building meaningful regional relationships that support the development of a modern, efficient, and effective justice system that serves the public interest.



*Pictured from left to right: Ms Fran Chaitoo-Jacob, Deputy Permanent Secretary (Ag.) from the Ministry of Justice; Ms Ayanna Gaspard Clarke, Permanent Secretary (Ag.) from the Ministry of Justice; Ms Trudy Lewis, Permanent Secretary (Ag.) from the Ministry of Justice; The Honourable Devesh Maharaj, Minister of Justice and Minister in the Office of the Attorney General; Senator Kim Wilkerson, J.P., Attorney General and Minister of Justice of Bermuda; Mr David Roberts, Permanent Secretary in the Ministry of Justice, Bermuda.*



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*Pictured from left to right: The Honourable Devesh Maharaj, Minister of Justice and Minister in the Office of the Attorney General shakes the hand of Senator Kim Wilkerson, J.P, Attorney General and Minister of Justice of Bermuda.*

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