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Judiciary Effects Plan to Reduce Backlog in the Criminal Division of the Supreme Court

As the Judiciary of Trinidad and Tobago continues its efforts to enhance the criminal justice system, it has embarked on a plan to reduce the criminal case backlog at the Supreme Court of Trinidad and Tobago. The first stage of the plan has been to assign specific resources tasked with the responsibility to address the backlog. The following Judicial Officers were appointed by Her Excellency Christine Carla Kangaloo, ORTT, on January 2, 2024, as Puisne Judges (Temporary) to actively manage the backlog reduction:

Mr Justice Trevor Jones

Mme Justice Indrani Cedeno

Mme Justice Maria Busby Earle-Caddle

The Judiciary recognizes that the Criminal Backlog Reduction Project can only succeed with the active participation of its key stakeholders and has invited a number of stakeholders to participate in a Backlog Sub-Committee of the Criminal Justice Committee. Stakeholders invited to participate in the Sub-committee include the Director of Public Prosecution, the Public Defender's Department of the Legal Aid Advisory Authority and the Law Association of Trinidad and Tobago.

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