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New Delhi

To,
Hon`ble the Chief Justice of India,
Supreme Court of India,
New Delhi.

Sub: Representation for resumption of physical hearings with the existing virtual Courts in a hybrid manner.

Hon`ble Sir,

In furtherance to the joint representation/resolution of the joint meeting of Executive Committee of Supreme Court Bar Association and Supreme Court Advocates On Record Association and our prior representations, we reiterate and once again request your good self for resumption of physical hearings with the existing virtual Courts in a hybrid manner.

It is pertinent to state that pursuant to the prior representations, some Court halls were renovated as per the advice of the medical committee to commence physical hearings and subsequent to the same a SOP dated 12.09.2020 for limited physical hearings in Supreme Court of India, in wake of COVID -19 Pandemic dated was notified. In this background, it is pertinent to state that the members of the bar seek for a hybrid system of hearing i.e., the physical hearings along with the existing virtual courts.

Further that the Advocates On Record/Advocates are not able to access the registry for following up urgent matters related to registry issues including mentioning, urgent listing of matters, inconsistencies in refilling etc.,

The process of vaccination has begun and major restrictions implemented due to COVID -19 have been curtailed and all are endeavouring to attain normalcy. Many Advocates mostly junior Advocates are facing financial problems. Many litigants are also equally facing difficulties as many matters are yet to be listed.



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Hence in the light of the above we request your good self for resumption of physical hearings with the existing virtual Courts in a hybrid manner and pending consideration of this representation, your good self may be pleased to issue directions to render access to the Advocates On Record/Advocates to the registry, for which act we will be obliged.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,

Shivaji M. Jadhav.
President,
SCAORA

CC to:

1. Hon`ble Mr. Justice N.V. Ramana
2. Hon`ble Mr. Justice R.F. Nariman
3. Hon`ble Mr. Justice Uday Umesh Lalit
4. Hon`ble Mr. Justice A.M. Khanwailkar
5. Hon`ble Dr. Justice D.Y. Chandrachud
6. Hon`ble Mr. Justice L. Nageswara Rao
7. The Secretary General, Supreme Court of India.