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## **Partner Elected Chair of Consumer Litigation Committee for the International Bar Association (IBA)**



Higgs & Johnson is pleased to announce that its partner, Tara A. A. Archer, has been elected Chair of the Consumer Litigation Committee ("CLC") for the International Bar Association ("IBA"), 2011 - 2013.

She is the youngest female attorney from the Caribbean region to be elected to such a notable post; having satisfied the criteria which includes demonstrating expertise in the litigation field, maintaining an international practice, being a Partner in a full-service corporate and commercial law firm and being an active member of the IBA, generally.

Ms. Archer commented that "I take nothing for granted. I am blessed and grateful to have been elected to the post. I look forward to learning, contributing and representing The Bahamas and my firm as an officer of the CLC and member of the IBA". The IBA has a membership of more than 40,000 and is the world's leading organization of international legal practitioners, bar associations and law societies. As such, Ms. Archer further noted "By participation, one is provided with invaluable exposure to information regarding the laws and practices of different jurisdictions whilst fostering international professional relationships". The IBA influences the development of international law reform and shapes the future of the legal profession throughout the world.

Ms. Archer has over thirteen (13) years of legal experience concentrated in the areas of commercial and civil litigation, law of insolvency, banking and compliance law, employment law and admiralty law. Ms. Archer has the responsibility of organizing and chairing the Sessions entitled "Litigation in the Middle East and Islamic World" and "Gone in a Click – Internet Litigation" at the upcoming annual conference to be held in Dubai later this year. She continues to invite other attorneys to participate in the organization, in particular, at the upcoming noted conferences.