

# MEDIA RELEASE

## **To all Persons in Public Life as defined by the Integrity in Public Life Act, Chapter 22: 01**

The Integrity in Public Life Act (IPLA), Section 11 (6) states that where a person fails to file a declaration, or a statement of registrable interests under section 14, the Integrity Commission of Trinidad and Tobago shall publish such fact in the Official Gazette and at least one daily newspaper.

The Commission published the names of those Persons in Public Life who failed to file their declarations of income, assets and liabilities (Form A) and statements of registrable interests (Form B) for the years 2015 to 2018 in the Trinidad Express Newspaper on Wednesday 7th August, 2019 and in the Trinidad and Tobago Gazette on Thursday 15th August, 2019. (Gazette No. 112 of 2019 which could be viewed online at [news.gov.tt](http://news.gov.tt)).

The Commission draws attention to Section 11 (7) and (8) which states:

“The Commission may, at any time after the publication referred to in Section 11 (6), make an ex parte application to the High Court for an order directing such person to comply with the Act and the Court may in addition to making such an order, impose such conditions as it thinks fit.”

“A person who fails to comply with the directions of the Court, commits an offence and is liable on conviction to a fine of \$150,000.”

The Commission wishes to remind those persons in public life who have not yet complied with the legislation as required by Sections 11(1) and 14(1) of the Integrity in Public Life Act, Chapter 22: 01, that they are to do so immediately, as the Commission intends (without further notice) to make ex parte application to the High Court for orders directing such persons to comply with the Act, and for the imposition of such conditions as it thinks fit.

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