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From the Editors Desk,

*T*he JSA 2013, proudly announcing the deviation from tradition published the inaugural Law Journal at the Annual Conference last year. The JSA 2014, having promised a new era striving for judicial excellence with conceptions of improving the quality, building capacity and promoting collegiality, was unanimous in deciding to continue with the journal, being inspired by its predecessors' pioneering work.

A year full of events amidst busy schedules however delayed the implementation to the penultimate month. The editorial committee faced the task of completing the journal on time, which in turn gave the prospective contributors just a month to complete their work, an equally uphill task. Positive responses however gave us the consolation and desire to go ahead. Thus we overcame the first hurdle.

The next challenge was to put the journal to printing. The year-end hustle coupled with the unexpected arrival of elections put the printers on high demand. We faced the dilemma before finally being given the nod by our printers, Commercial Printing Department of The Associated Newspapers of Ceylon Limited. Our sincere gratitude should go to Mr. Rasanga Harishchandra, Director Legal of the ANCL, a dear friend of the editorial committee, for his uncompromising backing. Mr. Sujith Kumarajeewa, Head of Commercial Printing Department of the ANCL, accepted our last minute request to print the journal on time although this is rather insignificant among more lucrative assignments. The second hurdle was thus cleared.

We have writers ranging from a Supreme Court Judge to Magistrates from the judiciary, senior practicing lawyers, academics both here and abroad and a forensic science expert. The difficulty was the lining up of articles as we value all our contributors alike. We opted to line them up in alphabetical order, the simplest way of doing justice for all. Our guests, who found time amidst their busy schedules to devote, warrant sincere thanks from us.

We have no difficulty in deciding the design as the inaugural journal represents quality and dignity. But a slight deviation requires as the number of articles prevents us from publishing the contents in the cover page. At this juncture, we acknowledge Mr. Ranga Dissanayake, the founder editor, for leaving a legacy which cannot easily be ignored.

We finally thank Mr. Sisira Ratnayake, Secretary of the Judicial Service Commission for being extremely patient while both his assistants fully engaged in completing this.

We sincerely hope the JSA 2015 will carry forward the tradition despite the changes they would bring.