F. No. J-16/11/2017-Judicial Government of India Ministry of Law & Justice Department of Legal Affairs Judicial Section

> Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi, Dated 8th February, 2018

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub: Modifications in the Schemes containing terms & conditions governing engagement of various categories of Central Govt. panel counsel – Regarding.

The Undersigned is directed to refer to this Department's OM Nos. 21(4)/99-Judl., No. 24(2)/99-Judl., No. 25(3)/99-Judl., No. 26(1)/99-Judl., No. 26(2)/99-Judl., No. 27(11)/99-Judl. all dated 24.09.1999 and OM Nos. 23(1)/87-Judl. dated 24.04.1987 and No. 22(1)/87-Judl. dated 05.06.1987, containing terms & conditions governing the engagement of various categories of Central Government Panel Counsel and to state that subclause 2 of the clause IX "Right to Private Practice and Restrictions" in above referred OM No. 21(4)/99-Judl. dated 24.09.1999 and in OM No. 26(1)/99-Judl. dated 24.09.1999 (in respect of Senior Counsel) and subclause 2 of the clause XII "Right to Private Practice and Restrictions" in the all the other OMs referred above including OM No. 26(1)/99-Judl. dated 24.09.1999 in respect of Sr./Central Govt. Standing Counsel and Additional Central Govt. Standing Counsel, have been modified and will now be read as under:

RIGHT TO PRIVATE PRACTICE AND RESTRICTIONS:

- 2. A Counsel shall not advise any party in or accept any case against the Government of India or the Public Sector Undertaking or which is likely to affect or lead to litigation against the Government of India or the Public Sector Undertakings.
- This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

(Inder Kumar) Additional Secretary

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