



# Bar Council of Punjab & Haryana

Law Bhawan, Dakshin Marg, Sector 37-A, Chandigarh - 160036

Ref No. 8766 to 8771/2024

Dated 16.12.2024

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1. The President/ Secretary of Punjab and Haryana High Court Bar Association, Chandigarh.
2. The Presidents/Secretaries of All Bar Associations of the States of Punjab, Haryana and U.T. Chandigarh.
3. The Presidents/Secretaries of All Tax Bar Associations of the States of Punjab, Haryana and U.T. Chandigarh.
4. The Presidents/Secretaries of All Tribunals Bar Associations of the States of Punjab, Haryana and U.T. Chandigarh.
5. The Presidents/Secretaries of State Consumer Disputes Redressal Commission, Punjab, Haryana and U.T. Chandigarh.

**Reference:-** This office letter No. dated 19.10.2024 with regard to letter No. BCI:D/5388/2024 dated 15.10.2024 and representation dated 12.12.2024 received from Sh. Kulbir Singh Dhaliwal, Advocate-petitioner in IA 294093/2024 in SLP (C)/3950/2024 before Hon'ble Supreme Court of India.

**Sub: - Conducting of Annual elections of Office-Bearers of Bar Associations in the States of Punjab, Haryana and U.T. Chandigarh on 28th February 2025 (Friday) as per 'The Bar Association (Constitution and Registration) Rules, 2015'**

Sir/Madam,

As you are aware that last election of Bar Associations were held on 15.12.2023, and election were to held this year on 3rd Friday of December, 2024 i.e. on 20.12.2024 as per the Bar Association (Constitution and Registration) Rules 2015. However in the meanwhile, a communication vide memo No. BCI:D-5388/2024 was received on 15.10.2024 from Bar Council of India, which was circulated by this office vide letter no. 6786 to 6790/2024 dated 19.10.2024 owing to this election schedule could not be issued.

Now, in view of the clarificatory order dated 11.12.2024 passed by Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in IA 294093/2024 in SLP (C)/3950/2024 and representation dated 12.12.2024 received seeking issuance of schedule for annual election of office bearers of the Bar Associations in the States of Punjab, Haryana and U.T. Chandigarh, it is being issued. All the Bar Associations are requested to follow the below mentioned scheduled strictly in letter and spirit. If any election is held in violation of this election schedule issued by the BCPH and **The Bar Association (Constitution and Registration) Rules, 2015** (herein after referred as 'Rules 2015') such an election will be deemed to be invalid.

## ELECTION SCHEDULE IS AS UNDER:-

1	Filing of affidavit/undertaking under Rules 6(B)(i). Such affidavits must be duly attested with entry no. of the register by the Oath Commissioner or Notary Public. (Proforma of affidavit attached)	Upto 10.01.2025 Friday
2	Clearance of Annual Subscription by individual member of the Bar Association (from 01.01.2024 to 28.02.2025) of Members of Bar Association. By way of RTGS, NEFT, IMPS, UPI or any other electronic mode of transfer of dues, as per rule 6 (B)(i). There should not be more than one individual payments of dues from one account.	Upto 10.01.2025 Friday
3	(i) Sending list of eligible voters by Bar Association to the Bar Council, under rule 6 (B)(i) of 'Rules 2015' along with photocopy duly attested affidavits and subscription clearance proof by email i.e. <a href="mailto:barelection2015@gmail.com">barelection2015@gmail.com</a> , as well as, on Bar Council WhatsApp No. 6284747802.	On or before 17.01.2025 Friday

*Signature*

<p>1. The soft copy of the list should be sent on the email ID of the Bar Council on <a href="mailto:barelection2015@gmail.com">barelection2015@gmail.com</a> in excel format (.xls/.xlsx) in the following sequence/columns:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sr. No</li> <li>Name of the advocate/voter</li> <li>Father Name</li> <li>Enrollment number</li> <li>Address</li> <li>Mobile No.</li> <li>Certificate of Practice Number (AIBE passing certificate number) – not applicable to voters who are enrolled/have passed law prior to June, 2010</li> </ol> <p>2. Nomination of Returning Officer/Election Committee by Bar Association as per their own Rules/bye laws and sending the intimation to the Bar Council by email <a href="mailto:barelection2015@gmail.com">barelection2015@gmail.com</a>, as well as upon WhatsApp No. 6284747802</p> <p>3. Bar Association, its Executive, RO/Election Committee is to put up the above said voter list on the Notice Board of Bar Associations and also to circulate in WhatsApp group of Bar Association as well as any other convenient mode also and to convey it to the Bar Council of Punjab and Haryana via email i.e. <a href="mailto:barelection2015@gmail.com">barelection2015@gmail.com</a> as well as on WhatsApp no. 6284747802 so that Members of Bar may come to know their status shown by the Bar Association in its aforesaid prepared voter list.</p>	<p>On or before 17.01.2025 Friday</p> <p>On or before 17.01.2025 Friday</p>
<p>4 Issuance of such voter list by the Bar Council to the R.O./Election Committees of concerned Bar Associations.</p>	<p>Upto 24.01.2025 Friday</p>
<p>5 Such voter list to be put up by RO/ Election Committee of the concerned Bar Association on the Notice Board of the Bar Association seeking objections, if any.</p>	<p>27.01.2025 Monday</p>
<p>6 Filing of objections by any aggrieved member of the Bar Association regarding voter list before the Bar Council of Punjab and Haryana via email i.e. <a href="mailto:barelection2015@gmail.com">barelection2015@gmail.com</a> or through representations against valid receipt. It is clarified that after the deadline i.e. 01.02.2025 by 4:00 PM no objection will be entertained.</p>	<p>On or before 01.02.2025 by 4 PM Saturday</p>
<p>7 Objections to be decided by Bar Council as per Rules 6 B (i) of 'Rules 2015'</p>	<p>On or before 07.02.2025 Friday</p>
<p>8 Bar Association to get its accounts audited and put on the Notice Board of the Bar Association, as per Rules 6B (iii) of 'Rules 2015'</p>	<p>On or before 07.02.2025 Friday</p>
<p>9 Date of Election in the States of Punjab, Haryana and U.T. Chandigarh</p>	<p>28.02.2025 Friday</p>

The present office bearers of Bar Associations are requested to take all necessary steps to ensure the implementation of the 'Rules 2015' (as amended upto date) in its letter and spirit by following the principle of 'ONE VOTE ONE BAR'.

The voting rights shall be confined to **only those advocates who are enrolled with the Bar Council of Punjab & Haryana**. Any advocate, who is enrolled with any other State Bar Council and wishes to vote in these elections, he/she may apply for transfer U/s 18 of the Advocates Act, 1961 and one will be eligible to cast vote if, the entire procedure of transfer is completed before **10.01.2025** as per Rules and Regulations. Further, as per circular No. /2013 (Council) dated 12.04.2013, of the General House of Bar Council of India, only those advocates who have passed their All-India Bar Examination (AIBE), shall be entitled to vote (*this is not applicable to voters who are enrolled/have passed law prior to June, 2010*).

**Important:** The advocate who is enrolled with any other Bar Council other than Bar Council of Punjab and Haryana shall not be included in the voter list by any Bar Association and if any such name exists than that shall be automatically stand deleted and such advocate shall not be allowed to participate in any election and to cast his/her vote.

The Returning Officer or Election Committee, as so appointed by the Bar Association as per constitution/bye-laws and will issue further election schedule i.e. filing of nominations, scrutiny, withdrawal and final list of candidates for the post of office bearers/Executive Members. The entire election process shall be completed upto (Friday) 28.02.2025 i.e. the date of election/declaration of result.

The Returning Officer or Election Committee, as so appointed by the Bar Association are requested to send the intimation of the result of the election to the Bar Council of Punjab and Haryana on conclusion of election process.

**Note 1** All the Hon'ble Members of the Bar Associations can deposit/clear their dues/subsription well in time by way of RTGS or NEFT or IMPS or UPI or any other electronic mode of transfer of money (via individual accounts only) or through bank draft against valid receipt of the concerned Bar Association. Any bulk payments made by candidates/agent/interested persons (Except blood relations) will not be allowed and same will be considered as violation of elections schedule/Rules. The President/ Secretary and other office bearers are directed to publicly display on Notice Boards etc. and circulate the Bank account/QR code numbers of Bar Association's henceforth (also circulate via messages) and make necessary arrangements to accept payments via RTGS, UPI, QR Code etc. in case of cheque, such cheques must be cleared before 10.01.2025 otherwise such subscription shall be deemed to be doubtful.

**Note 2** In case any particular Bar Association fails to comply within time schedule, then the Bar Council will appoint Adhoc Committee which will take over the entire control of the Bar Association and will get the election conducted under its supervision as per Rules.

**Note 3** Any kind of parties, large gatherings by the candidates or their agents directly or indirectly are strictly prohibited and any such large gatherings, if so reported, may lead to cancellation of candidature. No election/vote appeal, pamphlets or flexes will be allowed to be fixed on the Chambers or Court premises. Only limited distribution through 'PAPERLESS GREEN CAMPAIGN' be ensured. The Bar Council requests all members to cooperate, ensure free, fair, impartial environment-friendly and sustainable elections.

**Note-4** Neither cash payment should be paid by the members nor it should be received by the Bar Association.

  
(Dr. Vijender Singh Ahlawat)  
Chairman

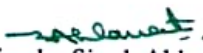
  
(Karamjeet Singh)  
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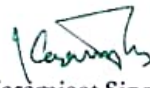
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Dated. 16-12-2024

A copy of the above is forwarded to the following for information and necessary action please:-

1. Sh. Raj Kumar Chauhaan, Secretary Monitoring Committee, BCPH.
2. All the Hon'ble Members of Bar Council of Punjab and Haryana.
3. The Secretary Bar Council of India.

  
(Dr. Vijender Singh Ahlawat)  
Chairman

  
(Karamjeet Singh)  
Hony. Secretary

AFFIDAVIT (MUST BE DULY ATTESTED BY OATH COMMISSIONER/ NOTARY PUBLIC)

I, \_\_\_\_\_ S/o, D/o, W/o \_\_\_\_\_  
 R/o \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_  
 State/U.T. \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile No. \_\_\_\_\_ do hereby solemnly affirm and declare  
 as under:-

1. That I am duly enrolled Advocate with Bar Council of Punjab and Haryana and my enrolment No. is P/ PH \_\_\_\_\_.
2. That I have been practicing regularly as an advocate since \_\_\_\_\_
3. That I am regular Member of the Bar Association \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_
4. That I am not a member of any other Bar Association in the States of Punjab, Haryana and U.T. Chandigarh except the following: -  
 Bar Associations (i) \_\_\_\_\_ (ii) \_\_\_\_\_
5. That I shall cast my vote at Bar Association, \_\_\_\_\_ during the annual election 2025-26.
6. That I have not submitted any such affidavit with any other Bar Association for casting vote in annual election 2025-26.
7. That I am not in full or part time employment or in Govt./Private/Semi Govt. service and I am not engaged in any trade business or profession.
8. That I have passed All India Bar Examination held in the year \_\_\_\_\_ COP/ No. \_\_\_\_\_ (only applicable to those Advocates who have passed LL.B. in session 2009-2010 or thereafter).
9. That I have submitted or will submit the requisite verification form under the Verification Rules, 2015 to the Bar Council of BCPH.
10. That I have deposited annual subscription of Bar Association, \_\_\_\_\_ vide Receipt No. \_\_\_\_\_ dated \_\_\_\_\_ through RTGS, NEFT, IMPS, UPI, Bank draft or any other electronic mode i.e. \_\_\_\_\_ (as per election scheduled issued by the BCPH)
11. That I had casted my vote for Bar Council election held in the year 2018 at \_\_\_\_\_
12. That in the previous year, my name was in the voter list of Bar Association, \_\_\_\_\_ (if the deponent was not voter in any of the voter list for the previous year 2023-2024 (give the reasons in brief). Not applicable to an advocate enrolled with the Bar Council after 31.10.2023.
13. That I have chamber No. \_\_\_\_\_ in my name in Bar Association, \_\_\_\_\_. (if more than one Bar Association, mention the name of all Bar Associations and Chamber Nos.)

Place:- \_\_\_\_\_

Deponent

Dated:- \_\_\_\_\_

Verification: -

I, the above named deponent do hereby solemnly affirm and declare that the contents stated in para nos 1 to 13 of my above said affidavit are true and correct as per record and as per my personal knowledge. Nothing material has been kept concealed therein and no part of it is wrong and false.

Place \_\_\_\_\_

Dated. \_\_\_\_\_

Deponent