



Persatuan Pemaju Hartanah Dan Perumahan Malaysia  
马来西亚房地产发展商会  
Real Estate And Housing Developers' Association Malaysia  
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**MEMBERS' CIRCULAR 2/2020**

To : All REHDA Members  
From : Ir Tiah Oon Ling  
Secretary General  
Cc : REHDA Branch Chairmen  
REHDA Branch Secretariats  
Date : 13 January 2020  
**RE : Illegal Practice by Developers**

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Dear Fellow Members,

Kindly be informed that the Bar Council Malaysia has brought to REHDA's attention that there have been developers requesting their panel solicitors/lawyers to advance payment for stamp duties and other disbursements on behalf of the purchasers. The panel lawyer members who refuse to accommodate to such request may face the risk of being removed from the developer's panel.

As such, REHDA would like to advise members to avoid from making such request to the lawyer, failing which the Bar Council will raise the issue in the public domain. The Bar Council strictly disagrees with such practice, and if any lawyer is found attending to such request, they will be referred to the Advocates and Solicitors Disciplinary Board under the breach of Solicitors' Account Rules 1990.

We trust all members will take the necessary action on this matter to ensure greater compliance in your business, which we hope will help prevent the introduction of more stringent laws and regulations for the housing industry in the future.

Thank you.

Yours sincerely

**REAL ESTATE & HOUSING DEVELOPERS' ASSOCIATION MALAYSIA**



**IR TIAH OON LING  
SECRETARY GENERAL**