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Dear Mr Chief Justice,

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On behalf of the World Jurists Association and its Board of Directors, following our meeting at the XIXth Congress of the Conference of European Constitutional Courts (CECC) in Chisinau, organized under the leadership of Domnica Manole, President of the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Moldova, we would be greatly honored if you would consider joining us for the upcoming World Law Congress Dominican Republic 2025 as a distinguished speaker.

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Your expertise and insights would be invaluable in continuing and shaping discussions that address pressing issues affecting the legal profession and society at large. The World Law Congress has established itself as one of the most prestigious legal dialogue forums in the world, where judges, lawyers, professors, and legal professionals from all continents, as well as other branches of knowledge, work and cooperate to strengthen the Rule of Law as the only alternative to the rule of force.

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During this Congress, the World Peace & Liberty Award will be presented to Sonia Sotomayor, Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States. This award is considered by many to be the Nobel Prize in Law and has been received, among others, by Winston Churchill, Nelson Mandela, René Cassin, draftsman of the United Nations Declaration of Human Rights, Ruth B. Ginsburg, Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, HM King Felipe VI of Spain, Andrew Young, leader of the civil rights movement in the United States and, more recently, by the European Commission in the person of its president Ursula von der Leyen, at the United Nations headquarters in NY.



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Attached to this message, you will find a link to <u>past congress</u> programs, along with the current agenda for the World Law Congress 2025, hosted in the Dominican Republic and scheduled for May 4th, 5th, and 6th. We invite you to explore these resources to gain a sense of the topics and activities planned, as well as the scope of our efforts to bring together international leaders in the field of law from across the globe.

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Should you be able to attend, please contact this email direction <u>assistant.director@worldlawfoundation.org</u> and our protocol team will coordinate with you to ensure all logistical and formal arrangements are taken care of, facilitating your valuable contribution to this global dialogue.

We sincerely hope you will consider this opportunity to engage with your esteemed peers on a platform dedicated to advancing justice and strengthening the Rule of Law worldwide.

Warm regards,

**Domnica Manole** 

President of the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Moldova

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