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REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

**Act No. 15 of 1979**

[L.S.]

AN ACT to amend the Legal Aid and Advice Act, 1976.

*[Assented to 16th May, 1979]*

ENACTED by the Parliament of Trinidad and Tobago as Enactment  
follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as the Legal Aid and Advice Short title  
(Amendment) Act, 1979.

Act No. 25  
of 1976  
amended

2. The Legal Aid and Advice Act, 1976 is amended—

(a) in section 17 by inserting immediately after subsection (1) the following new subsection—

“(1A) An application for legal aid made after the expiration of the time limit prescribed in subsection (1) may be entertained by a Judge of the High Court of Justice where in his opinion—

(a) the applicant shows good and sufficient cause for the delay;  
or

(b) the merits of the particular case or the circumstances thereof justify the entertaining of the application.”;

(b) in section 19(2) by inserting the words “trial or” immediately before the word “appeal” occurring in the ninth line.

Passed in the House of Representatives this 23rd day of April, 1979.

J. E. CARTER  
*Clerk of the House*

Passed in the Senate this 1st day of May, 1979.

R. L. GRIFFITH  
*Clerk of the Senate*