



**Statement of Support from the European Criminal Bar Association
for the American College of Trial Lawyers**

The European Criminal Bar Association stands in solidarity with the American College of Trial Lawyers in condemning the recent inflammatory remarks made by former President Donald Trump towards judges and prosecutors. According to their statement, such vitriolic attacks not only jeopardize the safety and integrity of those serving in the judiciary but also erode public confidence in the rule of law.

While recognising the importance of political speech, we assert that any rhetoric intended to incite violence or undermine the impartiality of judicial proceedings must be unequivocally condemned. It is incumbent upon all members of the legal profession to uphold the principles of fairness, impartiality, and respect for the rule of law.

In reaffirming our commitment to these principles, we call upon lawyers and professional organizations worldwide to redouble their efforts in preserving the integrity of our judicial systems and ensuring the safety and independence of our judges. Only through collective dedication to these fundamental values can we uphold the foundations of democracy and the rule of law.