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To the
Ministry of Justice
Bucharest

Dear Minister of Justice, dear ladies and gentlemen!

The **Asociația Grefierilor din România** is a full member association of the **Europäische Union der Rechtspfleger (EUR)**, which has standardised the support of its member associations in its statutes.

We, the Europäische Union der Rechtspfleger (EUR), therefore express our unconditional solidarity with our member association and all Romanian judicial colleagues who are currently experiencing a period of uncertainty and difficulty due to recent legislative changes relating to service pensions and working conditions.

Judicial officers throughout Europe are a cornerstone of the judiciary, without whom the administration of justice cannot function efficiently and securely. Their rights, including those relating to service pensions, are not privileges, but essential guarantees of the independence of the judiciary and thus also of the rule of law.

We express our concern that the recent changes, which, according to our member association, were adopted without consultation with the representative professional associations, could jeopardise the stability of the judicial system, make it more difficult to recruit and retain qualified staff, and create legal uncertainty.

We therefore kindly request that, before reforms with structural implications are adopted, to

- carefully consider these measures,
- respect the constitutional role of the judiciary as an independent branch of government
- engage in dialogue with the representative associations of judicial officials.

The European judiciary is currently undergoing profound changes, primarily as a result of the upcoming digitalisation (keyword: artificial intelligence), and can only cope with these changes by working together.

We hope for a positive solution to the issues raised that is satisfactory for all colleagues.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of a stylized 'W' followed by a series of loops and a final flourish.

Walter Szöky, President