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**Re: Letter of support for the application for the .AVOCAT domain extension**

Dear sir or madam,

The GIE Barotech [Barotech Economic Interest Group] was formed by 16 major provincial bar associations and provides management software for 73 bar associations which represent over 30,000 attorneys. Wishing to provide French attorneys a digital recognition in keeping with their profession, it hereby wishes to express its support for the Bordeaux Bar Association's application in the framework of the NewgTLD 2026 program for the creation and use of the ".AVOCAT" domain extension.

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Also, we fully support the principle according to which this extension would be exclusively reserved for attorneys and the professional exercise organizations of attorneys registered and in good standing with a French bar association and subject to the profession's ethical rules. We consider that the Order of Attorneys of the Bordeaux Bar Association has the necessary legitimacy and representativeness to manage this project on behalf of the community of French attorneys and to implement a governance that guarantees the respect for the principles of eligibility and oversight associated with the use of the ".AVOCAT" extension.

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Therefore, GIE Barotech [Barotech Economic Interest Group) supports this application and encourages the ICANN to recognize the community nature of this ("Community gTLD") extension whose purpose is to serve the interests of the legal profession and protection of the public.

Should you require further information, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely,

Michel Guichard  
President of GIE Barotech

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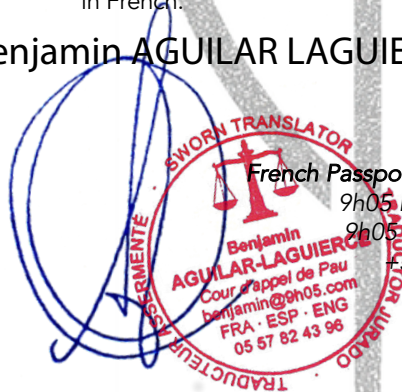
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[LOGO: Conference des Batonniers]  
[CONFERENCE OF PRESIDENTS]  
The President

Paris, 22 April 2026

To:  
Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and  
Numbers (ICANN)

**Re: Letter of support for the application for the .AVOCAT domain extension**

Dear sir or madam,

The Conference des batonniers de France, which represents 163 French bar associations and 45,000 attorneys, hereby wishes to express its support for the Bordeaux Bar Association's application in the framework of the NewgTLD 2026 program for the creation and use of the ".AVOCAT" domain extension.

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Therefore, GIE Barotech (Barotech Economic Interest Group) supports this application and encourages the ICANN to recognize the community nature of this ("Community gTLD") extension whose purpose is to serve the interests of the legal profession and protection of the public.

Should you require further information, please don't hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely,

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## The President

Nanterre, 21 July 2026

RE: Letter of support for the application for the .AVOCAT domain extension

To: the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN)

Dear sir or madam,

The Hauts-de-Seine Bar Association, represented by the president Marie-Pascale Piot, hereby wishes to express its support for the Bordeaux Bar Association's application in the framework of the NewgTLD 2026 program for the creation and use of the ".AVOCAT" domain extension.

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### The President

We consider that the Order of Attorneys of the Bordeaux Bar Association has the necessary legitimacy and representativeness to manage this project on behalf of the community of French attorneys and to implement a governance that guarantees the respect for the principles of eligibility and oversight associated with the use of the ".AVOCAT" extension.

Therefore, the Hauts-de-Seine Bar Association, representing 2,493 attorneys, supports this application and encourages the ICANN to recognize the community nature of this ("Community gTLD") extension whose purpose is to serve the interests of the legal profession and protection of the public.

Should you require further information, please don't hesitate to reach out.

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**BAR ASSOCIATION**

**RE: Letter of support for the application for the .AVOCAT domain extension**

To: the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN)

Dear sir or madam,

The Lille Bar Association, represented by the acting president Philippe SIMONEAU, hereby wishes to express its support for the Bordeaux Bar Association's application in the framework of the NewgTLD 2026 program for the creation and use of the ".AVOCAT" domain extension.

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Therefore, the Lille Bar Association, represented by the acting president Philippe SIMONEAU, supports this application and encourages the ICANN to recognize the community nature of this ("Community gTLD") extension whose purpose is to serve the interests of the legal profession and protection of the public.

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Philippe SIMONEAU  
Acting president of the Lille Bar Association  
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