

# C. J. RAPPS CORRUPT LAWYERS

## Clean up your house, says Miller

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CHIEF Justice Cecil Miller yesterday challenged lawyers "to clean your house" and correct the bad image given to the profession by some members.

And he directed that lawyers would now have to pay court fees in full before filing any litigations with the courts.

Mr Justice Miller told new advocates that he is certain they are aware of the repeated distasteful cries that some advocates are unfair to their clients and called on them to go out in the field and correct this image.

He was officiating during the swearing in of

124 new advocates of the high court of Kenya yesterday. The number is the highest single group of lawyers who have been sworn in since independence in one day.

He said: "From letters of complaint I regularly receive, the word 'unfair' is putting things mildly, because on detailed study I find that some of those advocates even mislead their clients and cheat them of their monies in the process; and finally throw

blame on judges, magistrates, state counsels or the police."

Lawyers have recently come up under heavy criticism from the public and various leaders including President Moi who have questioned the unprofessional behaviour of some of them.

The President recently said he would soon set up a commission to probe the dubious activities of lawyers and asked wananchi to come out and give evidence freely so that the culprits could be unmasked and their true colours exposed.

The President criticised the lawyers for talking too much about human rights yet they were the same people who trampled on the rights of wananchi.

Justice Miller said some  
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President Moi views some of the modern taxis he launched in Nairobi yesterday.