



Press Release

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Regarding Lawyer Liao's public defamation of judicial personnel on January 18, 2021, the Taipei District Prosecutor's Office solemnly stated as follows:

According to the article 24 of Lawyer Ethics Code, lawyers shall not maliciously slander judicial personnel or judicial institutions. Lawyers shall not publicly or through the media make indiscreet remarks about the character and conduct of specific judicial personnel, which sufficiently damage the dignity of justice or the image of justice. Before the judgment is confirmed, lawyers shall not publicly or through the media to make comments on the case which are sufficient to impair judicial justice."

When Taipei District Court held the public preliminary proceeding of the defendant Zhang O Wei and other defendants in violation of the Securities and Exchange Act on January 19, 2021, and many media reporters were present on the scene, attorney Liao said: "The same prosecutor in charge of this case has investigated this case in 2017, and there was nothing wrong with the case after investigation

at that time." However, in 2020, the prosecutor initiated the investigation again. Was there any improper investigative motive behind it?"

Taipei Prosecutors' Office verified there was no case of Liao O Chang which was like the Lawyer Liao mentioned, not to mention the "reopening of investigation" afterwards. Attorney Liao didn't verify the above-mentioned issue and then maliciously slandered or publicly questioned that the prosecutor had improper motives or ethical problems. Attorney Liao involved in violation of Article 24 of Lawyer Ethics Code. Taipei District Prosecutors' Office has assigned the case and investigated whether it should be transferred to be a disciplinary case. Taipei District Prosecutors' Office calls on lawyers to abide by lawyers' ethical standards in performing business and jointly maintain judicial justice and trust.