

**The third lecture (01)**  
**Lawyer, advocate, attorney**



**1- Introduction**

Practising law means advising and representing clients as a private practitioner or in a law firm. In most countries, law graduates need to undergo some sort of apprenticeship, membership in a professional organization and a licence.

The lawyer practices a liberal and independent profession that aids the work of justice, the respect of the rule of law and the guaranty of the defence of the citizen's rights and liberties.

The lawyer counsels, defends, assists and represents defendants in a court of justice. he legally benefits from immunities and legal protections that ensure his independence. On the other hand, the lawyer is obliged to respect the professional deontology rules under the control of his peers elected within the bar council.

## **2-international Principles of Legal Profession**

Based on the various jurisprudential notions and practices in different legal systems, International Bar Association (IBA) has adopted universal principles named "IBA International Principles on Conduct for the Legal Profession" on May 28, 2011 as the guiding code of conduct of world lawyers. These principles aimed at establishing generally accepted framework to serve as a basis on which code of conduct may be established for the lawyers in any part of the world. These principles have taken into consideration that legal professionals have to combine continuous update on legal developments with service to their clients, respect for the courts and the legitimate aspiration to maintain reasonable standard of living