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Dzaiddin bids farewell after 20 years

MINISTER in the Prime Minister's Department Datuk Seri Dr Rais Yatim (right) with Chief Justice Tun Mohamed Dzaiddin Abdullah at a dinner held in honour of Dzaiddin's retirement at the JW Marriott hotel on Wednesday night.

Dzaiddin retires next month after 20 years in the judiciary.

Rais paid tribute to Dzaiddin, whom he described as a friend who worked together to bring the judiciary to greater heights. He said several noteworthy changes had been made under Dzaiddin's two-year tenure as Chief Justice, including the implementation of the fast-track system.

Dzaiddin thanked the Government for organising the dinner, as well as Prime Minister Datuk Seri Dr Mahathir Mohamad and other Cabinet ministers, for their support.

Among those present were Chief Secretary to the Government Tan Sri Samsudin Osman and wife Puan Sri Suslita Majid, Attorney-General Datuk Seri Abdul Gani Patail, Court of Appeal president Tan Sri Ahmad Fairuz Sheikh Abdul Halim, Chief Judge of Malaya Datuk Haidar Mohd Noor as well as members of the legal fraternity.