

MINUTES OF SPECIAL CONVOCATION

Tuesday, 27th July 2021
9:00 a.m.
Via Videoconference

PRESENT:

The Treasurer (Teresa Donnelly), Adourian, Alford, Banack, Banning, Braithwaite, Brown, Burd, Charette, Chiummiento, Corbiere, Corsetti, Desgranges, Epstein, Esquega, Fagan, Falconer, Graham, Groia, Horgan, Horvat, Klippenstein, Lalji, Lau, Lean, Lesage, Lewis, Lippa, Lockhart, Lomazzo, Lyon, Marshall, Merali, Murchie, Painchaud, Parry, Poliacik, Pollock, Prill, Rosenthal, Ross, Sellers, Sheff, Shi, Shin Doi, Shortreed, Spurgeon, Strosberg, Troister, Walker, Wellman, Wilkes and Wilkinson.

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Secretary: James Varro

The Reporter was sworn.

IN PUBLIC

TREASURER'S REMARKS

The Treasurer welcomed everyone to Convocation.

The Treasurer recognized that Convocation would normally be meeting in Toronto which is a Mohawk word that means "where there are trees standing in the water".

When Convocation meets in Toronto, the Treasurer acknowledges that Convocation meets on the traditional territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. She advised that for this Convocation, benchers are participating across the province and perhaps elsewhere, and across many First Nations territories. She recognized the long history of all the First Nations in Ontario and the Métis and Inuit peoples and thanked the First Nations people who lived and live in these lands for sharing them with us in peace.

The Treasurer addressed the protocol for Convocation via Zoom videoconference.

The Treasurer reminded benchers of the National Well-Being Study and the extension of the deadline for responses to the survey to July 30, 2021. The Treasurer encouraged everyone to complete the survey.

The Treasurer briefly addressed the motion at Tab 1, and noted the appointments of certain advisory groups in Schedule B.

MOTION – COMMITTEE AND OTHER APPOINTMENTS

It was moved by Ms. Shortreed, seconded by Ms. Lalji:

THAT the attached list of appointments under **Schedule A** be approved.

THAT Catherine Banning be appointed to the Law Foundation of Ontario Board of Trustees.

THAT Jacqueline Horvat, Quinn Ross, and Claire Wilkinson be appointed to the Hearing Division of the Law Society Tribunal for a term ending May 31, 2023.

THAT Atrisha Lewis be removed from the Hearing Division of the Law Society Tribunal.

THAT Megan Shortreed be removed from the Appeal Division and Hearing Division of the Law Society Tribunal.

SCHEDULE A

COMMITTEE, TASK FORCE, WORKING GROUP AND OTHER APPOINTMENTS

Unless otherwise noted, not included in the list of appointments following Committees in Schedule A are appointments or reappointments not currently required because the appointments have not yet expired, or no changes are being made to certain groups.

COMMITTEES

Access to Justice

Cathy Corsetti (Co-Chair)

Doug Wellman (Co-Chair)

Murray Klippenstein (Vice-Chair)

Robert Burd

Jean-Jacques Desgranges

Sam Goldstein

Shelina Lalji

Benson Lau

Michael Lesage

Marian Lippa

Michelle Lomazzo

Cecil Lyon

Barbara Murchie

Brian Prill

Jonathan Rosenthal

Audit & Finance

Joseph Groia (Chair)
Lubomir Poliacik (Vice-Chair)
Catherine Banning
Cathy Corsetti
Seymour Epstein
Gary Graham
Philip Horgan
Jacqueline Horvat
Michelle Lomazzo
C. Scott Marshall
Clare Sellers
Sidney Troister

Compensation Fund Subcommittee

Lubomir Poliacik (Chair)
Cathy Corsetti
Seymour Epstein
Clare Sellers
Sidney Troister

Compensation

Teresa Donnelly (Chair)
Robert Burd
Dianne Corbiere
Joseph Groia
Gerald Sheff

Equity and Indigenous Affairs

Dianne Corbiere (Chair)
Etienne Esquega (Vice Chair)
Atrisha Lewis (Vice-Chair)
Catherine Banning
Robert Burd
John Fagan
Julian Falconer
Murray Klippenstein
Nancy Lockhart
Jorge Pineda
Julia Shin Doi
Megan Shortreed
Alexander Wilkes

Paralegal Standing

Robert Burd (Chair)
Geneviève Painchaud (Vice-Chair)
Jack Braithwaite
Cathy Corsetti
Seymour Epstein
Shelina Lalji
Marian Lippa
Michelle Lomazzo
Trevor Parry
Quinn Ross
Chi-Kun Shi
Doug Wellman
Claire Wilkinson

Proceedings Authorization

Jonathan Rosenthal (Chair)
Robert Adourian
Atrisha Lewis
Michelle Lomazzo
Gerald Sheff
Megan Shortreed

Professional Development and Competence

Barbara Murchie (Chair)
Robert Adourian (Vice Chair)
Alexander Wilkes (Vice-Chair)
Jared Brown
Murray Klippenstein
Michael Lesage
Atrisha Lewis
Marian Lippa
Cecil Lyon
Isfahan Merali
Sidney Troister
Tanya Walker
Doug Wellman
Claire Wilkinson

Professional Regulation

Megan Shortreed (Chair)
Michelle Lomazzo (Vice-Chair)
Andrew Spurgeon (Vice-Chair)
Gerard Charette
Etienne Esquega
Julian Falconer
Jacqueline Horvat
C. Scott Marshall
Geneviève Painchaud
Jonathan Rosenthal
Quinn Ross
Nicholas Wright

Strategic Planning and Advisory

Teresa Donnelly (Chair)

Jacqueline Horvat (Vice-Chair)

Robert Burd

Joseph Chiumminto

Dianne Corbiere

Cathy Corsetti

Joseph Groia

Philip Horgan

Nancy Lockhart

Barbara Murchie

Lubomir Poliacik

Julia Shin Doi

Megan Shortreed

Andrew Spurgeon

Sidney Troister

Diana Miles (*Ex Officio*)

Tribunal

Julia Shin Doi (Chair)

Ryan Alford (Vice-Chair)

Marian Lippa (Vice-Chair)

Catherine Banning

Jack Braithwaite (*Ex Officio*)

Jared Brown

Jean-Jacques Desgranges

John Fagan

Sam Goldstein

Philip Horgan

Cecil Lyon

Isfahan Merali

Barbara Murchie (*Ex Officio*)

Geoff Pollock

Chi-Kun Shi

Malcolm Mercer (*Ex Officio*)

TASK FORCES

Competence*

Sidney Troister (Chair)
C. Scott Marshall (Vice-Chair)
Ryan Alford
Joseph Chiumminto
Dianne Corbiere
Cathy Corsetti
Cheryl Lean
Atrisha Lewis
Barbara Murchie
Geneviève Painchaud
Jorge Pineda
Megan Shortreed
Andrew Spurgeon
Claire Wilkinson
Alexander Wilkes

Technology Task Force

Jacqueline Horvat (Chair)
Gary Graham (Vice-Chair)
Joseph Chiumminto
Seymour Epstein
Sam Goldstein
Cheryl Lean
Michelle Lomazzo
Geneviève Painchaud
Brian Prill
Quinn Ross
Tanya Walker
Doug Wellman
Nicholas Wright

* Membership unchanged.

WORKING/OTHER GROUPS

Human Rights Monitoring Group (Equity)

Julian Falconer (Co-Chair)
Tanya Walker (Co-Chair)
Marian Lippa
Isfahan Merali
Lubomir Poliacik
Quinn Ross
Doug Wellman

OTHER APPOINTMENTS

Summary Disposition

Chi-Kun Shi
Tanya Walker

It was moved by Mr. Fagan, seconded by Mr. Lyon, that consideration of the motion for today's special Convocation be adjourned to the regular Convocation of benchers in September 2021.

Lost

ROLL-CALL VOTE

Adourian	For
Alford	For
Banning	Against
Braithwaite	Against
Brown	For
Burd	Against
Charette	For
Corbiere	Against
Corsetti	Against
Desgranges	For
Epstein	Against
Esquega	Against
Fagan	For
Falconer	Against
Graham	For
Groia	Against
Horgan	For
Horvat	Against
Klippenstein	For
Lalji	Against
Lau	Against
Lean	For
Lesage	For
Lewis	Against
Lippa	Against
Lockhart	Against
Lomazzo	Against
Lyon	For
Marshall	Against
Merali	Against
Murchie	Against
Painchaud	Against
Parry	For
Poliacik	For
Prill	For
Rosenthal	Against
Ross	Against
Sellers	Against

Sheff	Against
Shi	For
Shin Doi	Against
Shortreed	Against
Spurgeon	Against
Troister	Against
Walker	Against
Wellman	Against
Wilkes	Against
Wilkinson	Against

Vote: 16 For; 32 Against

Ms. Shortreed and Ms. Lalji agreed to amend the motion to remove Michelle Lomazzo from the Hearing and Appeal Divisions of the Law Society Tribunal given Ms. Lomazzo's appointment to the Proceedings Authorization Committee.

The main motion as amended carried.

ROLL-CALL VOTE

Adourian	For
Alford	Abstain
Banning	For
Braithwaite	For
Burd	For
Charette	Abstain
Chiummiento	For
Corbiere	For
Corsetti	For
Desgranges	Abstain
Epstein	For
Esquega	For
Fagan	Against
Falconer	For
Graham	Abstain
Groia	For
Horvat	For
Klippenstein	Abstain
Lalji	For
Lau	For
Lean	Abstain
Lesage	Abstain
Lewis	For
Lippa	For
Lockhart	For
Lomazzo	For
Lyon	Abstain
Marshall	For
Murchie	For
Painchaud	For
Poliacik	For

Prill	Abstain
Rosenthal	For
Ross	For
Sellers	For
Sheff	For
Shi	Abstain
Shin Doi	For
Shortreed	For
Spurgeon	For
Troister	For
Walker	For
Wellman	For
Wilkes	For
Wilkinson	For

Vote: 34 For; 1 Against; 10 Abstain

REPORTS FOR INFORMATION ONLY

MOTION – COMMITTEE AND OTHER APPOINTMENTS

- Schedule B – Other Appointments

CONVOCATION ROSE AT 10:38 A.M.

Confirmed in Convocation this 1st day of October 2021.

Teresa Donnelly,
Treasurer