

MINUTES OF CONVOCATION

Thursday, 29th February, 2024
9:30 a.m.

PRESENT:

In person: The Treasurer (Jacqueline Horvat), Adourian, Callaghan, Chan, Donnelly, Dimokopoulos, Durcan, Emmett, Gagnon, Gold, Hrick, Hulan, Kalajdzic, Klippenstein, Letersky, Levitt, Lewis, Lomazzo, McDowell, Moriah, Painchaud, Pirnia, Radan, Rodriguez, Rosenthal, Q. Ross, Rotstein, Shortreed, Spurgeon, Surchin, Troister, Waddell, Wardle and Winward.

Via Videoconference/Teleconference: Alford, Banack, Banning, Chugh, Conway, Hansen, Kitagawa, Konanur, Krishna, Malette, Merali, Mietkiewicz, Minor, Monforton, Ouellet, K. Ross, Siran, Strosberg, Sutherland, Townsend, Walker, Wellman, Whitehead and Wilson.

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Secretary: Naomi Bussin

The Reporter was sworn.

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TREASURER'S REMARKS

The Treasurer welcomed everyone to Convocation.

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

The Treasurer acknowledged that Convocation meets on the traditional territory of the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. She also acknowledged that she is from Windsor, which sits on the traditional territory of the Three Fires Confederacy of First Nations. 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 Inuit and Métis peoples and thanked all Indigenous peoples who lived and live in these lands for sharing them with us in peace.

The Treasurer welcomed Naomi Bussin as Corporate Secretary to Convocation, which appointment Convocation had approved on November 30, 2023, effective January 1, 2024.

The Treasurer addressed the protocol for a hybrid Convocation.

The Treasurer referred benchers to and encouraged them to read the information reports in the Convocation materials.

MOTION – CONSENT AGENDA – TAB 1

Teresa Donnelly left Convocation.

It was moved by Gerald Chan, seconded by Michelle Lomazzo, that Convocation approve the consent agenda set out at Tab 1 of the Convocation Materials.

Carried

Tab 1.1 – DRAFT MINUTES OF CONVOCATION

The draft minutes of November 30, 2023 Convocation were confirmed.

Tab 1.2 – MOTION - APPOINTMENTS

That Pam Hrick be appointed to the Hearing and Appeal Divisions of the Law Society Tribunal for a term ending June 30, 2025.

That Quinn Ross be appointed to the Appeal Division of the Law Society Tribunal for a term ending June 30, 2025.

That Geneviève Painchaud be removed from the Compensation Committee at her own request.

That Sarah Letersky be appointed to the Compensation Committee.

Carried

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REPORTS FOR INFORMATION ONLY:

AUDIT AND FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

- LiRN Inc. Financial Statements for the Nine Months Ended September 30, 2023
- Investment Compliance Reports for the Quarter ended December 31, 2023
- In Camera Item

EQUITY AND INDIGENOUS AFFAIRS COMMITTEE REPORT

- Report of Activities of the Discrimination and Harassment Counsel for July 1 to December 31, 2023

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND COMPETENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

- Professional Development & Competence Division 2023 Program and Resource Report

TRIBUNAL COMMITTEE REPORT

- Practice Direction on Panel Assignment

CONVOCATION ADJOURNED AT 12:58 P.M.

Confirmed in Convocation this 25th day of April, 2024.

Jacqueline Horvat,
Treasurer