

Doctor of LAWS, honoris causa

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James B. Chadwick

Treasurer, may I present to you and this Convocation The Honourable James B. Chadwick, Q.C. and request that you confer upon him the degree of Doctor of Laws honoris causa.

Throughout his career, James B. Chadwick has been recognized as a highly respected and dedicated leader within the legal profession. His tireless enthusiasm and devotion to the rule of law have served as inspiration to all who know him.

As a lawyer, his sharp mind and exceptional advocacy skills established him as one of the premiere civil and criminal litigators in Eastern Ontario.

As a Bencher of The Law Society of Upper Canada he served his profession admirably from 1975 to 1988, chairing a number of committees including Discipline and Legal Aid. His pragmatic and common sense approach facilitated the resolution of many of the issues facing Convocation during his tenure.

As a judge, James B. Chadwick pioneered the pilot project of mandatory mediation and the case management system. That system has now been codified in the Rules of Civil Procedure and has been implemented province wide.

The Honourable James B. Chadwick, Q.C. is deserving of the highest honour this Society can give and I request you, Sir, to confer upon him the degree of Doctor of Laws, honoris causa.