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**Hamilton Cassels, Jr. fonds**

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**Hamilton Cassels, Jr. fonds. -- 1920, 1933, 1947-1954, 1956-1958, 1960-1961, 1965, 1968-1974. -- 4 cm of textual records**

**Biographical/Sketch/Administrative History**

Hamilton (Laddie) Cassels, Jr. was born on August 1st, 1895, in Toronto, Ontario, to Hamilton Cassels and Mary Yarwood Baldwin. Cassels earned a degree from the University of Toronto in 1913. He was admitted to Osgoode Hall Law School in 1917 and was called to the Bar in 1920. He practiced in Toronto with the firm of Cassels, Brock and Kelly. Cassels served as an elected bencher of the Law Society of Upper Canada from 1941 to 1956, and was a life bencher from 1956 to 1973.

Cassels served as a member of the 48th Highlanders in the First World War and as a Lieutenant Colonel of the 2nd Battalion in the Second World War. He was a former director and coach of the Toronto Argonauts football team. He also served as president of the County of York Law Association. Cassels died in Toronto on March 24th, 1973.

**Scope and Content**

Fonds consists of certificates relating to the education and legal career of Hamilton Cassels, Jr., and files maintained by Cassels while a bencher of the Law Society of Upper Canada.

**Restrictions**

No restrictions on access, unless records contain confidential business information of the Law Society of Upper Canada.

**Title Notes**

Title based on content of the fonds.

1-4-3-1 Legal Education Committee. -- 1948-1949. -- 0.50 cm

*Scope and Content*

File consists of correspondence and notes mainly relating to the resignation of Dean C. A. Wright, John Willis and Bora Laskin, their appointments to the University of Toronto Faculty of Law and the search for a new Dean for Osgoode Hall Law School.

*Restrictions*

Access by external researchers requires the permission of the corporate secretary.

1-4-3-2 Federation of Law Associations of Ontario. -- 1947-1954. -- 0.25 cm

*Scope and Content*

File consists of correspondence relating to auditing of the accounts of the Federation, "Brief Summary of Purposes and Activities" of the Federation with list of officers (1950), and circular letter.

*Restrictions*

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986008-003 Call to the Bar certificate of Hamilton Cassels, Jr.. -- 20 May 1920. -- 1 p. ; 28 x 40 cm

*Scope and Content*

Item is a certificate issued to Hamilton Cassels, Jr., by the Law Society of Upper Canada confirming his call to the Bar with honours.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the item.

986008-004 Commission appointing Hamilton Cassels a solicitor. -- 18 Nov. 1920. -- 1 p. ; 20 x 35 cm

*Scope and Content*

Item is a certificate confirming the appointment of Hamilton Cassels, Jr., as a solicitor of the Supreme Court of Ontario.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the item.

986008-005 Receipt from the Law Society of Upper Canada. -- 1920. -- 1 p.

*Scope and Content*

Item is a receipt issued by the Law Society of Upper Canada to Hamilton Cassels, Jr.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the item.

986008-006 Commission appointing Hamilton Cassels a King's Counsel. -- 17 June 1933. -- 1 p. ; 38 x 43 cm

*Scope and Content*

Item is a certificate issued by the Province of Ontario appointing Hamilton Cassels, Jr., a King's Counsel.

*Restrictions*

No restrictions on access.

*Title Notes*

Title based on contents of the item.

2001036-001 Law Society of Upper Canada: J.S. Denison estate. -- 1956-1958, 1960-1961, 1965, 1968-1974. -- 3 cm of textual records

*Scope and Content*

File consists of records relating to the Special Committee on the Estate of J. Shirley Denison and the Special

Committee on J. Shirley Denison Bequest. Hamilton Cassels served as a member of both committees while a bencher of the Law Society. Several records in the file relate to the case of Kay Killoran. Included in the file are: correspondence, meeting notices, memoranda, minutes of committee meeting (31 Jan. 1973), meeting agendas, copies of court orders, notes, a list of successful applicants, a copy of the will of Emily Fanny Denison, a copy of an agreement between Emily Fanny Denison, Harold William Alexander Foster and the Law Society of Upper Canada (8 May 1952), a statement of account for the period 31 December 1956 to 18 January 1960, a statement of accounts for the period 18 January 1965 to 8 July 1968, an appointment to pass accounts, a copy of the will of John Shirley Denison, security valuation forms, and a report to Convocation of the Finance Committee.

*Restrictions*

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