



Benchers

Date: Thursday, June 27, 2024

Time: 12:30 p.m.

Location: Law Society Offices, 200 - 260 St. Mary Avenue, Winnipeg, Manitoba and Via Videoconference

ITEM	ΤΟΡΙϹ	TIME (min)	SPEAKER	MATERIALS	ACTION		
1.0	1.0 PRESIDENT'S WELCOME AND TREATY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT						
	The President will welcome the Federation of Law Societies of Canada President and Chief Executive Officer, Erin Kleisinger, KC and Jonathan Herman respectively; newly appointed benchers Timothy Kurbis and Penny Piper; newly appointed lay benchers, Gordon Damon, Patrick Fortier and Deanna Wilson; students, benchers, guests and staff.						
2.0 IN MEMORIAM							
	Cornelius Enns , who passed away on May 18, 2024 at the age of 90. Mr. Enns received his call to the Bar on June 25, 1974. After practising as an associate for four years, Mr. Enns practised for the next 26 years of his career as a sole practitioner, retiring in 2004.						

Martin Elliott Kovnats, who passed away on May 23, 2024 at the age of 72. Mr. Kovnats received his call to the Bar in Manitoba on June 25, 1976. He then relocated to Ontario, where he continued to practice law but maintained an active practising status in Manitoba until 1980.

Professor Gerald Nemiroff, who passed away on June 6, 2024 at the age of 82. Professor Nemiroff received his call to the Bar in Manitoba on June 25, 1974 and was a practising member of the Law Society for eight years. He taught at the Faculty of Law from 1968 to 2008 and served as Associate Dean from 1977 to 1982.

Joseph Allan MacDonald, who passed away on June 7, 2024 at the age of 91. Mr. MacDonald received his call to the Bar on June 26, 1969. He began his legal career serving as inhouse counsel to Great-West Life Assurance Corp. In 1977 Mr. MacDonald moved to private practice and was a partner in several Winnipeg firms, including MacDonald Macmillan Fultz, McJannet Rich and Levine Levene Tadman. He retired from practice in 1997.

Ariel Glinter, who passed away on June 11, 2024 at the age of 36. Mr. Glinter received his call to the Bar on June 20, 2013. He was a practising member of the Law Society for two years.

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3.0 CONSENT AGENDA

The Consent Agenda matters are proposed to be dealt with by unanimous consent and without debate. Benchers may seek clarification or ask questions without removing a matter from the consent agenda. Any bencher may request that a consent agenda item be moved to the regular agenda by notifying the President or Chief Executive Officer prior to the meeting.

3.1	Minutes of May 16, 2024 Meeting	5		Attached	Approval		
3.2	Minutes of May 30, 2024 Special Meeting			Attached	Approval		
4.0	4.0 PRESENTATION TO STUDENT PRIZE WINNERS						
4.1	Presentation to Students with the Four Highest Standings in Third Year Law	5	Gerri Wiebe, KC				
5.0	EXECUTIVE REPORTS						
5.1	President's Report	10	Gerri Wiebe, KC	Attached	Briefing		

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5.2	CEO Report	15	Leah Kosokowsky	Attached	Briefing		
5.3	Strategic Plan Progress Report - June 2024	10	Leah Kosokowsky	Attached	Briefing		
6.0	DISCUSSION/DECISION						
6.1	Rule Amendments – Mobility for Federal Government Lawyers	10	Rennie Stonyk	Attached	Discussion/ Decision		
6.2	Status Update on Electronic Banking Initiative	15	Rennie Stonyk	Attached	Discussion/ Decision		
7.0	7.0 MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS						
7.1	Insurance Levy 2024-2025	5	Leah Kosokowsky	Attached	Briefing		
7.2	Letter from the Assembly of First Nations	10	Leah Kosokowsky	Attached	Briefing		
7.3	Law Library Hub – Final Report	10	Leah Kosokowsky/ Leah Unruh	Attached	Briefing		
7.4	CPLED Report – June 2024 Update	10	Leah Kosokowsky	Attached	Briefing		
7.5	Summer 2024 – Wellness Challenge	10	Leah Kosokowsky/ Eileen Derksen	Attached	Briefing		
7.6	FLSC Council Report – June 2024	10	Lynda Troup	Attached	Briefing		
8.0	GUEST PRESENTATIONS						
8.1	Remarks from the President and CEO of the Federation	15	Erin Kleisinger, KC/ Jonathan Herman		Briefing		

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9.0	IN CAMERA					
9.1	Bill 21 – BC Single Legal Regulator	15	Leah Kosokowsky		Briefing	
10.0 FOR INFORMATION						
10.1	Law Phone-In & Lawyer Referral Program – 2023 Report			Attached	Information	
10.2	Media Reports			Attached	Information	