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THE LAW SOCIETY OF MANITOBA and  
MEMBER A  
REASONS

PANEL MEMBERS: Irene Hamilton (Chair)  
David Swayze  
Jim Wolfe

COUNSEL FOR THE LAW SOCIETY OF MANITOBA:  
R. Kravetsky

COUNSEL FOR MEMBER: Self Represented

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1           THE CHAIR: Okay, thank you very much. We have  
2 had a few minutes to discuss this, and the conclusion is  
3 that we are granting the pardon application.

4           Just by way of reasons and background, Member A,  
5 a member of The Law Society of Manitoba, was censured  
6 by a formal caution issued by the Society's Complaints  
7 Investigation Committee June 26, 1992, and what we had  
8 taken into consideration are the agreed statement of  
9 facts and those as elaborated on by Mr. Kravetsky.

10           Member A meets the application criteria for  
11 a pardon in that 10 years had passed since the date of  
12 censure, or point of caution, as applies in this case.  
13 Since that time there has been no other formal caution, and  
14 Member A has not been found guilty of any other charge  
15 of professional misconduct, or conduct unbecoming a lawyer.

16           There are no charges pending against  
17 Member A. There are no complaints about her that are  
18 under investigation, and there is no money owing to The Law  
19 Society by the member. As well, the discipline panel has  
20 not granted any previous application to Member A under  
21 this rule.

22           Member A was called to the bar in Manitoba  
23 on June 26, 1979, and has been and remains a member of The  
24 Law Society of Manitoba. She was also called to the bar in  
25 the Province of Ontario May 14, 1981. Her practice history

1 is as set out, and in 2003 she became a non-practicing  
2 member of The Law Society of Manitoba.

3 The formal caution that was issued to  
4 Member A was benign, there was no loss or harm, and the  
5 complaint was received by The Law Society of Manitoba after  
6 that particular transaction was concluded. All monies had  
7 been received as required by both of the parties in that  
8 transaction.

9 Twenty-three and a half years have passed since  
10 the censure, and there is nothing that The Law Society  
11 would speak to against that pardon and, in fact, The Law  
12 Society of Manitoba in this particular application is in  
13 agreement with the application, and has pointed out that  
14 there is nothing in Member A's professional or public  
15 life known to the Society that would speak against a  
16 pardon, and that her clear record in the 23 years since the  
17 censure, the particular facts of the matter for which she  
18 was censured, and her prior clean record are such that in  
19 the absence of any other matters reflecting poorly on her  
20 character it is fair to conclude that the censure no longer  
21 reflects adversely on her character.

22 In fact, as Mr. Kravetsky has pointed out,  
23 Member A has, in her personal life, been actively  
24 involved both on boards and in a volunteer capacity in an  
25 active way.

1                   Based on that, we are granting her application.

2           Thank you.

3                   THE MEMBER: Thank you very much.

4                   MR. KRAVETSKY: Thank you, Madam Chair. I take  
5           it then that the oral reasons will be transcribed and  
6           constitute your reasons for decision?

7                   THE CHAIR: Yes, please.

8                   MR. KRAVETSKY: I have nothing further.

9                   THE CHAIR: Do either of you have anything to  
10          add?

11                   MR. SWAYZE: No.

12                   MR. WOLFE: No. Thank you very much.

13                   THE CHAIR: Thank you.

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16                   (HEARING CONCLUDED AT 10:10 A.M.)

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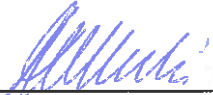
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Jeff Bruce  
Court Reporter

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**MEMBER A**



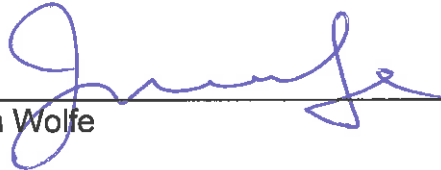
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Irene Hamilton, Chair



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