

MINUTES OF SPECIAL CONVOCATION

Toronto - Thursday, 16th February, 1995  
10:30 a.m.

The Treasurer, the Benchers and their guests proceeded to the auditorium at Roy Thomson Hall, Toronto for the Call to the Bar Ceremonies of the 368 graduates of the 36th Bar Admission Course.

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CONVOCATION WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 10:30 A.M.

PRESENT

The Treasurer (Paul S. A. Lamek), Bellamy, Campbell, Copeland, Epstein, Farquharson, Goudge, Howie, Kiteley, Lamont, Lax, Moliner, S. O'Connor, Ruby and Weaver.

The body of the auditorium was occupied by the candidates and their guests.

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CONFERRING OF AN HONORARY DEGREE

Mr. Philip Epstein, Chair of the Legal Education Committee, read the following citation:

"It is my most pleasant duty to present to you and to this Convocation John Robert Stobo Prichard and to request that you confer upon him the Degree of Doctor of Laws, honoris causa.

His has been a career marked by high academic achievement and practical success. Possessed of a keen and challenging intellect his career as student first of business and later the law was marked by high achievement exemplified by the many scholarships and prizes for academic excellence.

Early promise was not disappointed and as a law professor, author and advisor to government he continued to maintain the high standards set as an undergraduate.

Conjoined with his intellectual prowess, his appreciation of the practical problems of administration and his balanced judgment soon gained him the respect of his peers and he was appointed Dean of the Faculty of Law at the University of Toronto.

The leadership and administrative abilities demonstrated as Dean were quickly recognized by the larger academic community and he was appointed President of the University of Toronto to provide dynamic and innovative leadership at a critical time in the University's history.

John Robert Stobo Prichard's career of academic excellence and service first as Dean of Law and now as President of the University of Toronto has brought honour to the profession and he is truly deserving of the award of doctor of laws honoris causa."

The Treasurer admitted John Robert Stobo Prichard to the degree of Doctor of Laws, honoris causa.

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ADDRESS

The Treasurer introduced Professor Prichard, who addressed Convocation.

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS AND APPOINTMENT

Mr. Alan Treleaven, Director of Education presented the recipients of awards and appointment to the Treasurer.

The Treasurer presented the following prizes and appointment to the respective recipients.

Awarded The Law Society Second Prize for the student attaining the third highest grades in the Bar Admission Course

Cheryl Anne Beckett

Awarded The Law Society Third Prize for the student attaining the fourth highest grades in the Bar Admission Course

Tanya Marion Goldberg

Awarded The S. J. Birnbaum, Q.C. Scholarships, First Prize for the student attaining the highest grade in Estate Planning

Caroline Pearl Gronke

Awarded a share of The S. J. Birnbaum, Q.C. Scholarships, Third Prize for the student attaining the third highest grade in Estate Planning

Valerie Chan

Awarded a share of The Stuart Thom Prize donated by Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt for the student attaining the highest grade in Business Law; and a share of The McCarthy Tetrault Business Law Prize donated by McCarthy Tetrault for the student attaining the highest grade in Business Law at Toronto

Shawn David Jacka

Awarded a share of The Margaret P. Hyndman, O.C., Q.C., D.C.L. Prize donated by the Alpha Mu Chapter Kappa Beta Pi Legal Association for the student attaining the second highest grade in Business Law

Alison Jannet Marie Scott

Awarded a share of The William Belmont Common, Q.C. Prize for Criminal Procedure for the student attaining the second highest grade in Criminal Procedure

Richard Chauncey Neshevich

Awarded The Margaret McNulty Award for the student who, among the graduates of the Faculty of Law, University of Western Ontario, attained the highest grades in the Bar Admission Course; and The Practitioners' Prize in Real Estate for the student attaining the highest grade in Real Estate

Tracey Neina Patel

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Awarded a share of The Herbert Egerton Harris Advocacy Scholarship for the student attaining the second highest grade in Civil Procedure

Michele Leighton Symons

Awarded The Isadore Levinter Prize donated by The Advocates' Society for the student attaining the highest grade in Public Law

Andrea Elizabeth Redway

Appointed Law Clerk to The Chief Justice of the Ontario Court of Justice (General Division)

Angela Maureen Pinder Jeffrey

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CALL TO THE BAR

Mr. Don Lamont and Ms. Mary Weaver of the Admissions Committee presented to the Treasurer 368 candidates for Call to the Bar as follows:

THIRTY-SIXTH BAR ADMISSION COURSE 1994 - 1995

368 CANDIDATES FOR CALL TO THE BAR

Enclosed in Convocation file is a list of the candidates for Call to the Bar.

The Treasurer conferred upon the candidates the degree of Barrister-at-Law and called them to the Bar of Ontario.

The Treasurer addressed the new members of the Bar and congratulated them on behalf of The Law Society of Upper Canada.

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CONVOCATION ADJOURNED

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Following Convocation a Special Sitting of the Court of Appeal for Ontario and the Ontario Court of Justice (General Division) convened, with The Honourable Charles Dubin, Chief Justice of Ontario, presiding.

The candidates were presented to Mr. Justice Dubin before whom they took the usual oaths and acknowledged their signatures on the Rolls in the presence of the Court.

Mr. Justice Dubin then addressed the new Barristers and Solicitors.

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At the conclusion of the formal proceedings, the Treasurer and Benchers held a reception and luncheon at Osgoode Hall and had as their guests Professor Robert Prichard, Chief Justice Charles Dubin, Victor Colbourne, Dean Marilyn Pilkington, John Kromkamp, Lydia Wakulowsky, Derek Ground, Tom Heintzman, The Honourable John D. Ground, Helen Ground, Ann Wilson and Dean Robert Sharpe.

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Confirmed in Convocation this                      day of                      1995.

Treasurer