

MINUTES OF SPECIAL CONVOCATION

Toronto – Thursday, 17th July, 2003
2:30 p.m.

Prior to Convocation, the Treasurer and Benchers held a reception and luncheon for their guests at Osgoode Hall.

Following the luncheon, the Treasurer, Benchers and their guests proceeded to Roy Thomson Hall for the Call to the Bar ceremonies of the 224 graduates of the Bar Admission Course.

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CONVOCATION WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 2:30 P.M.

A quorum of Convocation was present.

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

The Treasurer asked all present to stand for the National Anthem sung by Tamara Hummel.

PRESENTATION OF PRIZES

Ms. Diana Miles, Director, Professional Development and Competence presented the prizewinners to the Treasurer.

The Treasurer presented the following prizes to the respective recipients.

Awarded The Law Society's Second Prize; The Osgoode Society for Canadian Legal History Prize; and a share of The William Belmont Common, Q.C. Prize

Alexander Steven Ross

Awarded The Osgoode Society for Canadian Legal History Prize, and The Samuel Lerner, Q.C. Prize

Phillip Kent Armstrong

Awarded The Osgoode Society for Canadian Legal History Prize

*Donna Michelle Aronson
James Peter Cavanagh
Onofrio Dino Ferlisi
Christopher Jonathan McKibbin*

Awarded a share of The Herbert Egerton Harris Advocacy Scholarship (highest grade), and a share of The International Academy of Trial Lawyers Plaque

Melissa Ragsdale

Awarded the S. J. Birnbaum Q.C. Scholarship Second Prize

Karen Lin Ballantyne

Awarded a share of The Herbert Egerton Harris Advocacy Scholarship (second highest grade)

Duane Roger Milot

Awarded a share of The William Belmont Common, Q.C. Prize

*Sarah Emily Loosemore
Justin Ninan Parappally
Terry Jason Tustin*

CALL TO THE BAR

Mr. Todd Ducharme, Ms. Judith Potter, Ms. Joanne St. Lewis and Ms. Beth Symes presented to the Treasurer 224 candidates for the Call to the Bar as follows:

BAR ADMISSION COURSE

224 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.

CONVOCATION ADJOURNED

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Following Convocation a Special Sitting of the Court of Appeal for Ontario and the Superior Court of Justice convened, with The Honourable Dennis R. O'Connor, Associate Chief Justice of Ontario presiding.

The candidates were presented to Justice O'Connor before whom they took the Oath of Allegiance, the Barristers Oath and the Solicitors Oath and acknowledged their signatures on the Rolls in the presence of the Court.

Justice O'Connor then addressed the new Barristers and Solicitors.

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At the conclusion of the formal proceedings the Treasurer, Benchers and their guests returned to Osgoode Hall.

Confirmed in Convocation this 27th day of November, 2003

Treasurer