

## MINUTES OF SPECIAL CONVOCATION

Toronto – Wednesday, 26<sup>th</sup> September, 2007

## PRESENT:

The Treasurer (Gavin MacKenzie), Anand, Campion, Gottlieb, Lawrie, Minor, Porter, Ross, Swaye and Symes.

TO THE BENCHERS OF THE LAW SOCIETY OF UPPER CANADAIN CONVOCATION ASSEMBLED

The PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND COMPETENCE COMMITTEE reports:

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CALL TO THE BAR AND CERTIFICATE OF FITNESSLicensing Process and Transfer from another Province – By-Law 4

Attached is a list of candidates who have successfully completed the Licensing Process, having met the requirements set out in subsection 9 of By-Law 4 and candidates who have successfully completed the transfer examinations in accordance with subsection 9(3) of By-Law 4. All have filed the necessary documents, paid the required fee, and fulfilled all other admission requirements.

Full-Time Member of Faculty of Approved Ontario Law School

The following member of an approved law faculty, who has filed the necessary documents and complied with the requirements of the Law Society, asks to be called to the bar and admitted as a solicitor without examinations, under subsection 9 (1.1), (2), and (3) of By-Law 4 made under the *Law Society Act*.

James Robert Phillips                      University of Toronto, Faculty of Law

All the candidates now apply to be called to the bar and to be granted a Certificate of Fitness on Wednesday, September 26, 2007 at 2:30 p.m. at Roy Thomson Hall in Toronto.

ALL OF WHICH is respectfully submitted

DATED this 26<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2007

Attached to the original Report in Convocation file is the list of candidates to be called to the bar.

It was moved by Beth Symes, seconded by Heather Ross, that the Report of the Professional Development and Competence Committee be adopted.

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The Treasurer, benchers and their guests proceeded to the auditorium at Roy Thomson Hall for the call to the bar ceremonies of 166 candidates listed in the Report of the Professional Development and Competence Committee.

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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 Keith Klassen.

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The Treasurer welcomed the candidates and guests.

#### CALL TO THE BAR

Ms. Heather Ross, Mr. Gerald Swaye and Ms. Beth Symes presented to the Treasurer 166 candidates for the call to the bar as follows:

#### 166 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 Barristers.

#### 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 Heather J. Smith, Chief Justice, Superior Court of Justice presiding.

The candidates were presented to Chief Justice Smith before whom they took the Oaths and acknowledged their signatures on the Rolls in the presence of the Court.

Chief Justice Smith then addressed the new Barristers and Solicitors.

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Confirmed in Convocation this 25<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2007

Treasurer