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All Masters in Chambers, All Clerks of the Court

Notice of Disbarment

On June 8, 2010, a Resignation Committee of the Benchers of the Law Society of Alberta granted the application of **Robert Powelson** to resign, pursuant to section 61 of the *Legal Profession Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c. L-8. Mr. Powelson is therefore disbarred. Mr. Powelson was suspended as member of the Law Society on May 22, 1997, pursuant to a resolution of the Benchers. He currently resides in Port Alice, British Columbia. Prior to his suspension, Mr. Powelson practised in Edmonton, Alberta.

At the time of his resignation, Mr. Powelson was facing outstanding citations alleging breach of a court order, breaches of undertakings, obtaining an ex parte Order without reasonable notice to the opposing party, deceiving a client, improprieties regarding trust funds and related accounting matters, and governability concerns including breach of conditions and undertakings and failure to be candid with the Law Society. At the time, Mr. Powelson tendered an admission of facts in support of his resignation application acknowledging the allegations related to deceiving a client, governability concerns and misrepresenting information to the Law Society.

The Resignation Committee directed that Mr. Powelson pay the actual costs of the resignation application, estimated at \$1,144.50.

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