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NOTICE TO THE PROFESSION

NOTICE TO: All Active Members and Students-at-Law,

All Executive Directors of other Law Societies in Canada,

All Justices of the Court of Appeal and Court of Queen's Bench,

All Judges of the Provincial Court of Alberta,

All Masters in Chambers, All Clerks of the Court

Disbarment

On May 17, 2006, a Resignation Committee appointed by the Benchers of the Law Society of Alberta granted the application of **Mr. Kevin David Stonehouse** to resign, pursuant to Section 61 of the *Legal Profession Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c. L-8, effective immediately. **Mr. Stonehouse** is therefore disbarred. **Mr. Stonehouse** resides in Onoway and practised in Edmonton with the firm of Renwick Stonehouse until February 27, 2004, when he was suspended by the Benchers pursuant to Section 63 of the *Legal Profession Act*.

Mr. Stonehouse faced three citations at the time of his resignation application. He admitted the following specifics related to those citations and admitted his conduct was deserving of sanction:

- Mr. Stonehouse admits that over the period 2000 to 2004 he misappropriated the sum of \$547,595 from funds held in trust by his firm and that he used misleading documentation and journal entries to disguise his actions;
- Mr. Stonehouse admits he deceived the Law Society;

The Committee directed that Mr. Stonehouse pay the actual costs, estimated to be the sum of \$2,322.60 within 3 months but in any event prior to any application for readmission.

R. Gregory Busch Director, Lawyer Conduct Law Society of Alberta