

NOTICE TO:

March 31, 2004

All Active Members and Students-at-Law,
All Non-Practising Paying Members,
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

NOTICE OF RESIGNATION

On March 1, 2004, a committee of Benchers of the Law Society of Alberta granted the application of **Mr. John Frederick Young** to resign in the face of discipline, pursuant to Section 61 of the *Legal Profession Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c. L-8, effective immediately. He was thus disbarred. Mr. Young resides in Edmonton and practised there until August of 1998 when his membership was suspended pending the completion of discipline matters.

Mr. Young admitted that his conduct was deserving of sanction on citations involving failing to follow accounting rules and misappropriation of trust funds which resulted in Assurance Fund payments to former clients of approximately \$43,000.

In addition to granting the application to resign, the Benchers directed that all outstanding costs, including custodianship costs and the amounts paid out for successful assurance claims must be paid in full before Mr. Young may apply for reinstatement.

The Benchers further directed, in accordance with Rule 92(10), that the Executive Director refer the matter to the Minister of Justice and Attorney General.

A custodianship of Mr. Young's practice was in place until October, 1999.

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