



March 24, 2011

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

Suspension

On March 16, 2011, a Hearing Committee found the conduct of **Darren Peterson**, a member of the Law Society of Alberta who practises in Calgary, Alberta, to be deserving of sanction on two citations.

The Hearing Committee found that Mr. Peterson misled or attempted to mislead his client and that he failed to provide his client with competent services.

The Hearing Committee ordered, pursuant to section 72(1)(b) of the *Legal Profession Act*, R.S.A. 2000, c. L-8, that Mr Peterson's membership shall be suspended for 30 days, effective March 24, 2011. The Hearing Committee directed Mr. Peterson continue his involvement with the Practice Review Committee and the mandate be expanded to discuss with him how to deal with clients when he has made a mistake or error or failed to implement the client's instructions. The Hearing Committee ordered Mr. Peterson to pay the costs of the hearing of \$3,722.25 within 6 months after Mr. Peterson's suspension ends.

Enquiries about Mr. Peterson's files may be made to:

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