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NOTICE TO THE PROFESSION

NOTICE TO: 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

Suspension

On September 13th, 2007, a Hearing Committee found the conduct of **Ms Bonnie Wald,** who practises in Ponoka, Alberta, to be deserving of sanction on three citations.

The citations on which her conduct was found to be deserving of sanction were as follows: failing to advise an unrepresented vendor in a real estate transaction to obtain independent legal advice and failing in her duty to that unrepresented party, failing to remit to that unrepresented party funds to which she was entitled and misleading the Court at a hearing into a trusteeship application.

The Hearing Committee ordered, pursuant to section 72 of the *Legal Profession Act*, that the membership of the member shall be suspended for 45 days commencing on December 17, 2007. The Hearing Committee also ordered that the member shall pay the actual costs of the hearing within sixty days of her receipt of a statement of those costs.

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