



September 21, 2007

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 September 19, 2007, a Hearing Committee found the conduct of **Mr. Wayne Coultry** to be deserving of sanction on four citations. Mr. Coultry had resided in Okotoks and practised in Calgary until the Benchers suspended his membership on July 26, 2001.

The citations on which Mr. Coultry's conduct was found to be deserving of sanction are as follows: misappropriating or wrongfully converting \$8,095.97 in trust funds, attempting to interfere with the investigation by the Law Society, attempting to mislead the auditor employed by the Law Society, and withdrawing funds from trust before rendering statements of account.

The Hearing Committee made the following orders pursuant to s. 72 of the *Legal Profession Act*:

1. That Mr. Coultry be disbarred.
2. He shall pay the costs of the hearing, estimated to be over \$5,000.00, within six months.
3. The matter will be referred to the Attorney General.

Mr. Coultry has placed \$8,095.97 in trust with his counsel, which will be used to make restitution.

There was no direction to appoint a custodian as the member has not practised since 2001.

Don Thompson, Q.C.
Executive Director
Law Society of Alberta

