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Lewis N. Klar, QC

Distinguished Service in Legal Scholarship

Lewis Klar is recognized nationally and internationally as Canada's pre-eminent tort scholar. He was admitted to the Quebec Bar in 1971; and to the Alberta Bar in 2000. He was appointed Queen's Counsel in 2002.

Throughout his teaching career, Lewis has inspired his students. He has taught law at the University of Alberta for 32 years and has been a visiting professor in Australia, New Zealand, the United States and Canada. He was the University of Alberta's Dean of Law from 1997 to 2002

Lewis' contributions to legal scholarship have been significant. He has published steadily since 1974, writing numerous books, articles, and notes. He has contributed to law reform through his four published reports for the Alberta Law Reform Institute.

Lewis is a co-editor of the leading casebook on tort law in Canada, now in its 12th edition. Lewis' book, *Tort Law, Third Edition*, is a leading Canadian text, having been adopted by several Canadian law schools.

Lewis' works have been cited in hundreds of court judgements across the country, including 12 judgements of the Supreme Court of Canada, over 100 judgements of Alberta courts; and 20 times by the Alberta Court of Appeal.

Internationally, he has been cited by the House of Lords and the Australian High Court. Lewis was the 13th Canadian to be elected as a member of the influential American Law Institute.



Hugh A. Robertson, QC

Distinguished Service to the Profession

Hugh Robertson's contributions to continuing legal education have raised professional standards provincially, nationally and internationally. Hugh was called to the Alberta Bar in 1967 and was appointed Queen's Counsel in 1990.

Hugh has been executive director of the Legal Education Society of Alberta (LESA) since 1984. He is among the most respected executives of continuing legal education in North America and, under his guidance, LESA has become regarded as one of the best continuing legal education service providers on the continent. He is

a past-president of both the Canadian and international associations for continuing legal education.

Provincially, Hugh has been a representative to the Branch Council of the CBA and to the benchers of the Law Society of Alberta for over 20 years, serving on countless committees of those organizations. He played a major role in the recent initiative that harmonized the Bar Admission programs of Western Canada.

Internationally, Hugh has been actively involved with educational initiatives in Africa, China, Vietnam and most recently, as a consultant for the United Nations in Laos. He continues to serve as national chair of the International Development committee of the Canadian Bar Association.

In 1996 Hugh was awarded an Honorary Doctorate from St. Stephen's College for service to his community. Hugh's unflagging work on behalf of the legal profession has enhanced the careers of many legal professionals.

Cathy Lane Goodfellow

Distinguished Service to the Community

Cathy Lane Goodfellow is a tireless advocate for young people in conflict with the law. She was admitted to the Alberta Bar in 1984 and obtained her Master of Laws degree in 1995.

Cathy has been with the Youth Criminal Defence Office in Calgary since 1993, developing and delivering legal services for young people in Canada. She also has a law practice in this area.



Among Cathy's accomplishments is her work to establish the Calgary Community Conference program for young offenders, regarded as the leading model for youth victim-offender reconciliation services in Canada. Her input into the Conferencing program is featured in a book entitled, Beyond the Comfort Zone: A Guide to the Practice of Community Conferencing.

Working with the National Judicial Institute, Cathy helped train judges and members of the Alberta Provincial Family and Youth Court before the recent implementation of the federal *Youth Criminal Justice Act*. She also trains judges and lawyers about legal responses to youth affected by Fetal Alcohol Syndrome and related neurological disorders.

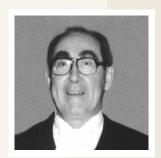
Cathy's many articles about young offenders and family law have been published in *LawNow* magazine. She is also a sessional instructor in advanced family law at the University of Calgary law school and is a volunteer lecturer on the subject at schools and to community groups, in the Bar Admission Course and with the Legal Education Society of Alberta.

John J. Mahony, QC

Distinguished Service to the Community

John Mahony's service to the community goes back more than 40 years, during which time he contributed much to the Calgary community.

Called to the Alberta Bar in 1951, John began serving on the board of the Father Lacombe Children's Home in 1956, first as a volunteer board member and later as chair. At the time, he was also active in two community service clubs, the Knights of Columbus and the Kiwanis Club.



In 1961, he was elected trustee of the Calgary Separate School Board, and served two successive terms. In the late 1960s, he volunteered with the John Howard Society.

During the 1970s, he spearheaded the drive to establish the Father Whelihan Scholarship committee, for many years organizing fundraising events to support the group's scholarships, which today are awarded annually to Calgary public and separate school students.

From 1985 to 1994, John served on the St. Mary's College committee, dedicated to building a faith-based college in Calgary. St. Mary's University College, as it became known, began operations in 1994, later becoming a degree-granting institution. It continues to expand today.

From 1951 until his retirement, he practised law in Calgary, working more than 30 years with his long-time partner, E.S. Dawson. John was appointed Queen's Counsel in 1986, retiring in 1995.