



Agenda

Bencher Meeting #498

May 14, 2020 commencing at 9:00 a.m.

Zoom videoconference

Duration	Tab	Item	Purpose	Presenter
CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTION				
1		Opening Remarks from the Chair	Introduction	Kent Teskey
STRATEGIC ITEMS				
2		Big Issues and Engagement Timelines	Information	Elizabeth Osler
3		2020 Bencher Election Notice and Date	Decision	Elizabeth Osler
POLICY ITEMS				
4		Rule Amendments for Ex Gratia Payments	Decision	Jennifer Freund
5		Continuing Professional Development Rule Suspension	Decision	Jennifer Freund
6		ALIA Board Appointments	Decision	Elizabeth Osler
7		Audit and Finance Committee Report and Recommendations - Law Society Audited Financial Statements for the Year Ended December 31, 2019	Decision	Ken Warren/ Nadine Meade
8		Changes for the Legacy CPLED Program and PREP - Rule Amendments - Rescind the <i>Appeal Guidelines for the CPLED Program, Transfer</i>	Decision	Shabnam Datta/ Tina McKay



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		<i>Examinations and Reinstatement Examinations</i>		
INFORMATION ITEMS				
9		Leadership Report - COVID-19 Report to Benchers	Information	Elizabeth Osler
10		Access to Justice - Lawyer Referral Service	Information	Cori Ghitter
11		Bencher Election Task Force Report	Information	Stacy Petriuk
12		Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Committee Report	Information	Louise Wasylenko
13		Lawyer Competence Committee Report	Information	Ken Warren
14		Advisory Committees Report	Information	Kathleen Ryan
CONSENT AGENDA				
15		15.1 February 20, 2020 Public Bencher Meeting Minutes 15.2 April 6, 2020 Public Bencher Meeting Minutes 15.3 Disband the Pension Committee 15.4 Terms of Reference 15.5 Legal Education Society of Alberta Board Appointment		
REPORTS				
16		16.1 Alberta Law Foundation Report 16.2 Alberta Law Reform Institute Report 16.3 Alberta Lawyers' Assistance Society Report 16.4 Canadian Bar Association Report 16.5 Federation of Law Societies of Canada Report 16.6 Legal Education Society of Alberta Report 16.7 Pro Bono Law Alberta Report		Bill Hendsbee Sandra Petersson Bud Melnyk David Hiebert Carsten Jensen Christine Sanderman Lou Pesta