



Public Agenda

Bencher Meeting #502

February 25, 2021 commencing at 8:30 a.m.

Law Society of Alberta

Videoconference

Videoconference information:

Thursday: [Join Zoom Meeting](#)

Dial: 855-703-8985

Meeting ID: 996 9984 4740

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CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTION			
1	Remarks from the outgoing President	Introduction	Kent Teskey
2	Remarks from the President	Introduction	Darlene Scott
3	Leadership Report 3.1 Bencher Update 3.2 Year in Review	Information	Elizabeth Osler
STRATEGIC ITEMS			
4	2021 Committees, Task Forces, and Liaisons	Decision	Darlene Scott
5	Bencher Election Task Force Report and Recommendations 5.1 Bencher Election Working Group Memo	Decision	Stacy Petriuk
6	Board Relations Guideline and In Camera Guideline annual reviews	Discussion	Ken Warren
7	Bencher Vacancy Policy	Decision	Elizabeth Osler
8	Articling Term and PREP Update	Discussion	Cori Gitter



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Break			
POLICY ITEMS			
9	Audit and Finance Committee Report	Information	Ken Warren
10	Abeyance Rule and Guideline	Decision	Shabnam Datta/ Noria Neuhart
INFORMATION ITEMS			
11	Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Committee Update	Information	Louise Wasylenko
12	Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Advisory Committee Update	Information	Kathleen Ryan
13	Lawyer Competence Committee Update	Information	Ken Warren
14	Indigenous Initiatives Liaison Update	Information	Andrea Menard
15	ALIA Trend Report	Information	David Weyant
16	Tribunal Office Update	Information	Nancy Bains
CONSENT AGENDA			
17	17.1 December 3, 2020 Public Bencher Meeting Minutes 17.2 Law Society 2021 Annual General Meeting Date 17.3 Appointment of the Auditor for 2021 17.4 Updated Reading List for Transferring Lawyers 17.5 Housekeeping Amendments re: Rules 164(5), 165.1(1) and Rule 167(1)(b).		
REPORTS			
18	18.1 Alberta Lawyers' Assistance Society Report 18.2 Canadian Bar Association Report 18.3 Federation of Law Societies of Canada Report 18.4 Legal Education Society of Alberta Report 18.5 Pro Bono Law Alberta Report		Bud Melnyk Bianca Kratt Carsten Jensen Christine Sanderman Bob Philp