

**Agenda Items for the Meeting of the Benchers
February 12th and 13th, 2009
Hotel Saskatchewan, Regina, SK**

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Karen Topolinski will not be available to attend meetings on February 12th only. Robert Kennedy, Q.C. has extended an apology for absence.

3. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA

4. AGENDA ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED IN CAMERA

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Attached are the Minutes dated December 4th and 5th, 2008.

6. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

7. SCHEDULED EVENTS

i. SKLESI

Attached is a copy of correspondence dated January 5, 2009. To date, we have not received responses from the following:

- a. Response from the CBA
- b. Response from the Dean of Law
- c. Response from SKLESI re letter to CBA et al dated January 5, 2009.

Shelley Burwood has asked to attend this part of the meeting and speak to SKLESI's response.

8. AGENDA ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND DECISION

i. Appointments

There are 2 appointments for consideration:

a) University of Regina Senate

The University has provided notice for the renewal of Lana Krogan-Stevely to the University of Regina Senate. Pursuant to our policy, her appointment should be renewed for a further two years unless we are dissatisfied with her performance.

b) Senior Life Members

Rule 207 states that the Benchers may confer a senior life membership on a person who:

- has been a member of the Society for at least 50 years; and
- is, or was, in the immediate preceding year, a member of the Society.

Attached are membership summaries for the 6 persons who meet this criteria in 2009.

ii. Client Identification Rules

The Federation has passed amendments to the Client Identification Rules which are attached both as a blacklined copy and a final copy. To amend the Rules, we require first and second reading. The Benchers should also consider an implementation date of May 1st for the Rules.

iii. Title Insurance

Attached is a memorandum from Bill Holliday with attachments.

iv. Discipline Restructure Committee

Attached is a copy of suggested policy changes.

v. Legislative Changes

To effect changes to the Discipline Policy, legislative changes are required. We have also included several non-disciplinary suggestions.

vi. Public Representatives

The committee on Public Representatives will present its report.

vii. Rule Changes

Attached are proposed Rule Changes to Rule 840 – Interjurisdictional Practice Permit. The older version of the Rule contained an incorrect reference to Rule 200 which was inadvertently missed in the last round of changes. Therefore, we require first and second reading of this amendment.

9. REPORTS

i. President's Report

ii. Executive Director's Report

10. IN CAMERA SESSION – MEETING OF THE BENCHERS**11. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION**

These items are submitted for information. However, if any of the Benchers would like to discuss these issues, please advise at the beginning of the meeting.

- i. Queen’s Counsel Ceremony**
The Queen’s Counsel Ceremony has been scheduled for Friday, February 13, 2009 at Government House. Please be seated by 2:45 pm, as the ceremony begins at 3:00 pm sharp. Convocation will end at 2:00 pm so that Benchers can attend the ceremony.
- ii. Article from the *Canadian Lawyer* – “Time to streamline the societies?”**
- iii. Minutes of the Executive Committee meeting held November 24, 2008 via conference call.**
- iv. Merchant Factum**

13. DATE AND PLACE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The next Convocation is scheduled for April 29th, 30th and May 1st, 2009 at Good Spirit Golf and Family Resort.