

## Bio and Reasons for Seeking Office

I attended the University of Saskatchewan and completed a Law Degree and Degree in Political Studies in 2001. I completed my articles with the Department of Justice Canada and was called to the bar in 2002. From 2002 to 2013 I worked with the Department of Justice Canada in the areas of civil litigation and criminal prosecutions. In my role as Crown Counsel I managed and conducted litigation and judicial reviews on behalf of various federal government departments. I also had the opportunity to represent the RCMP at the Milgaard Inquiry. As a Federal Prosecutor I conducted prosecutions in all levels of courts in Saskatchewan and Alberta under various Federal statutes including drugs, organized crime, and tax evasion prosecutions. From 2009 to 2011 I completed a Masters of Law specializing in Criminal Law through Osgood Hall Law School. In 2013 I moved to Public Prosecutions with the Saskatchewan Ministry of Justice where I am currently a Senior Crown Prosecutor. As a Senior Crown Prosecutor I handle *Criminal Code* prosecutions in Provincial Court and the Saskatchewan Court of Queen's Bench.

I am also a parent to a very active 8 year old boy who keeps me busy outside of work and was convinced for years that my Queen's Bench robes were really a Batman cape. I have volunteered as the team manager for my son's hockey team, as a board member for READ Saskatoon, with the Elizabeth Fry Society, and as a Fitness Instructor and Crossfit coach.

I am seeking office because I believe that if elected my work as a bencher would be a fulfilling way to give back to the legal community. As a public servant for most of my career, I recognize the importance of serving the public and the legal community as a whole. Also my work as a prosecutor has taught me the qualities of objectivity and fairness, both important qualities in a bencher of the Law Society. Finally, as a public servant and a prosecutor, I would bring a unique perspective, adding diversity to the benchers of the Law Society. It is an interesting time to practice law in Saskatchewan with many changes and challenges facing the profession. It would be a privilege to contribute to moving the legal profession forward through these changes and challenges.