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QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER OF THE
KENORA DISTRICT LAW ASSOCIATION



Message from the KDLA Executive

By Morgan Fletcher

It has been my pleasure to serve as Kenora District Law Association’s Vice-President for the 2022/23 term.

Thank you to all who attended our Annual General Meeting on June 23, 2023. We were fortunate to be able to utilise the Kenora Justice Centre for the meeting, and were provided a tour of this beautiful new facility by our President, Phaedra Olinyk.

The Executive team is pleased to report that the KDLA Executive is growing for 2023/24, with the division of Secretary/Treasurer into separate roles, and the addition of Chenoah Down, from the Crown Attorney’s Office in Kenora.

The Executive for 2023/24 is as follows:

- President – Phaedra Olinyk, from Hook, Seller & Lundin LLP
- Vice-President – Chenoah Down, from the Crown Attorney’s Office, Kenora
- Secretary – Morgan Fletcher, from Ronning Law Professional Corporation
- Treasurer – Laura Wheatley, from Hook, Seller & Lundin LLP

KDLA re-established a Library Committee, with co-chairs Morgan Fletcher and Karen Seeley, and finally appointed a new chair for the Social Committee, being Ian Del Bigio. Thank you to our new committee members.

Should you have any questions, concerns or recommendations, or if you are interested in becoming involved in any of KDLA’s committees, please feel free to contact a member of the Executive team.

On behalf of the entire outgoing Executive, I would like to wish all of our members an enjoyable and productive summer.

We hope to see you at our semi-annual meeting in the Fall.

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W. Randall F. Seller awarded Law Society Medal

Hook, Seller & Lundin is pleased to announce that our long-time partner, Randy, was recently recognized for his significant contributions to our community, both legal and otherwise, at a ceremony held at the Law Society of Ontario in Toronto on May 24, 2023.

Each year, the LSO awards the Law Society Medal to selected lawyers who have made a significant contribution to the profession, whether through outstanding service within the profession, their area of practice, academia, or devotion to professional duties and services to the community. In the 38 years since it was offered, the Law Society Medal has only been awarded to 232 lawyers. This is truly an award of distinction, especially given that there are over 57,000 Lawyers in Ontario in 2023!

Randy, in both his professional and volunteer life, has significantly advanced causes to support local improvements and sustainable regional planning and development in the community. For 45 years, he has consistently given of his time, creativity and expertise to improve the lives of those in our community, both as their legal counsel and through his extensive personal volunteerism.

In all these legal and social endeavours, Randy is universally respected for his abilities and his integrity. He always goes the extra mile to promote fairness when confronted with unfairness, putting in countless hours of uncompensated time. It is hard to imagine the Kenora community without Randy's significant contributions. His influence has helped grow the community in countless positive ways.

We were honoured to be able to attend with Randy in Toronto, with our retired partner, E. James ("Jim") Hook, and congratulate Randy on this outstanding recognition.



Cheryl Siran aids Randy in putting on his medal

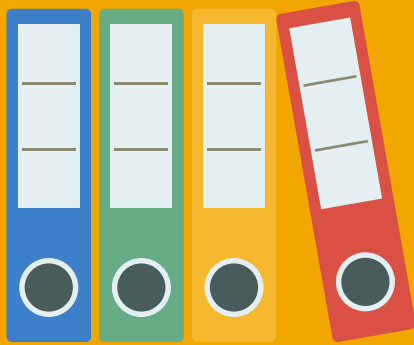


Randy's partners, current and former, were in attendance for the presentation. From back left: Reid Thompson, Kim Mejia, Cheryl Siran, Beth White, Jim Hook, Randy, Stephen Lundin.



Randy and Marva Seller





BINDERS

Yours for the taking

The Law Library has been culling our collection of CLE/CPD materials. Many of these items were outdated, and rarely used.

Did you know that you can find the CPD materials from LSO's presentations on the Access CLE database? Materials from 2004 onwards can be read and printed from this database. Ask Maria for details.

As a result of this purge of materials, the library has a number of binders of varying sizes looking for a good home.

Most of them have a bit of residue from the call number label, but are in good condition otherwise.

Take some for your own use, take some for a student in your household. Please rescue them before they get sent to a landfill.



Where Are You Advertising?

KDLA member, Dustin Fuller, now practicing in Thunder Bay, shared this picture of his sign on hole 2 at Fort William Country Club in Thunder Bay.

"Come one, come all for a round."



Views from my Window



When celestial alignments occur during my working day, I try to capture the view as the sun crosses the specified line of latitude. Here is my view at the time of this year's summer solstice.



What a difference a day makes! This is about 24 hours later, just before the heavens opened and the rain began.

Will Search Requests

Lawyers, or their staff, will occasionally ask the Law Library to assist in locating a will for clients. We are happy to forward your request to our members, and can also reach out to law associations in other areas if necessary.

Here are a couple of hints to expedite the process.

It is helpful if your request contains the following information: full name of the deceased, date of birth, date of death, the community where the deceased had been residing.

You should include contact information in the body of the email, and it is preferred that the email is in a form that can just be forwarded without further editing.



Who's Here for the Summer?

THOMAS GIANNINI - at Major Sobiski & Moffatt

My name is Thomas Giannini and I am an incoming third year law student at Dalhousie University. The past month of my Summer has been spent working for Major, Sobiski and Moffatt LLP where I have gained invaluable experience aiding in the development of various research memos and the drafting of documents.

I have an academic background in political economy through graduate studies at York University and have previously worked as a Labourer-Teacher with Frontier College. These experiences have instilled a keen sense of history in me that made me wish to pursue law as a career in the hope of rectifying past and present injustices on an individual, and ideally systemic level.

My aspiration to affect progressive change in the political and economic fabric of our society has made working for a firm like Major, Sobiski and Moffatt not only professionally rewarding, but also meaningful in my own personal development because of the practice's commitment to reconciliation through the pursuit of aiding Indigenous people in exerting their national sovereignty.

I view the exercise of self-determination as an emancipatory practice and am thrilled to have an opportunity working as a summer student in a capacity that promotes the statehood of Indigenous people.



Thomas Giannini is working at Major Sobiski & Moffatt.



ALLYSON MANZIE - at Hook Seller Lundin

Allyson Manzie is a returning summer student at Hook, Seller & Lundin, LLP. She began her placement at Hook, Seller & Lundin, LLP in the summer of 2022 and is returning this summer having graduated Carleton University. At Carleton, Allyson received a Bachelor of Arts with distinction, majoring in Law and minoring in Political Science. Additionally, while at Carleton, Allyson was an active member of both the Carleton University Women's Legal Network and the Carleton Law Society. She also dedicated her spare time to locally volunteering with dogs.

In addition to her work at Hook, Seller, & Lundin, LLP Allyson is interning remotely at the Barbra Schlifer Commemorative Clinic in Toronto. After her summer placements, Allyson plans to take a year off of her studies and attend law school in the fall of 2024. During her year off, she wishes to volunteer abroad, travel, prepare for her LSAT, and gain more work experience in Kenora, Ontario. Allyson is from Kenora and is excited to spend a year at home before heading to law school.

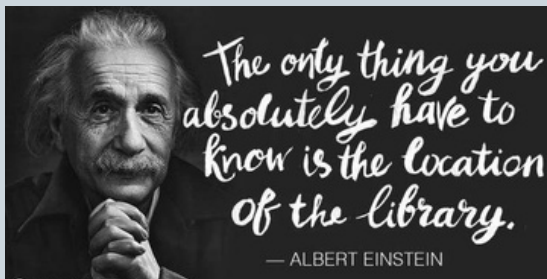


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What's New in the Library

ADR for Legal Professionals (Zubick & Callow) 2nd ed.
Annotated Canada Pension Plan & Old Age Security Act 2023/24 (Killeen & James)
Annotated Ontario Securities Legislation (McCarthy Tetrault) 58th ed.
Bennett on Bankruptcy (Bennett) 25th ed.
Canadian Labour Relations: law, policy, & practice (Doorey & Braley-Rattai) 2nd ed.
Canadian Refugee Protection Law Guide (Matas & Morina)
Charter Remedies in Criminal Cases (Asma, Gourlay) 2nd ed.
Civil Litigation (Olivo & Kelly) Revised 4th ed.
Communications for Legal Professionals (O'Mara, Roberts & Wilkie) 2nd ed.
Cybersecurity in Canada: operations, investigations and protection (Syms & Smith)
Digital Evidence (Chan & Magotiaux) 2nd ed.
Disability Management: theory, strategy & industry practice (Dyck) 7th ed.
Diversity & Indigenous Peoples in Canada (Boyington) 4th ed.
Financial Crimes in Canada: an overview of money laundering & fraud (Davis, Lynch & Russell)
A Guide to the Youth Criminal Justice Act 2023/24 (Tustin)
Impaired Driving and other Criminal Code Driving Offences (Jokinen & Keen) 2nd ed.
Inadmissibility and Remedies (Sharma, Daghighian)
Indigenous Legal Issues: cases, materials & commentary (Borrows & Rotman) 6th ed.
Indigenous People and the Criminal Justice System (Rudin) 2nd ed.
Interviewing Skills for Legal Professionals (Cochran) 3rd ed.
Law and Mental Health in Canada: cases & materials (Szigeti & Dhand)
The Law of Affidavits (Shields)
The Law of Partnerships & Corporations (van Duzer) 4th ed.
Legal Issues on Indigenous Economic Development (Hanna) 2nd ed.
Legal Research: step by step (Blatt & Kurtz) 5th ed.
Mandatory Human Rights Due Diligence: from legal custom to lawful concern (Sukedo)
Ontario Municipal Act & Commentary 2024 (Mascarin & Williams)
Ontario Workplace Safety & Insurance Act & commentary (Dee, Newhouse) 2023/24 ed.
The Practical Guide to Evidence and Proof in Criminal Cases (Salhany, Claxton) 9th ed.
The Practitioner's Ontario Criminal Practice (Gold & Lacy) 2023 ed.
Residential Real Estate Transactions (Wolf et. al.) 6th ed.
Securities Law (Nicholls) 3rd ed.
Summary Conviction Law for Paralegals (Mukherji) 2nd ed.
Termination and Rescission of Agreements for the Purchase and Sale of Land (Pratt)
Tribunal Practice & Procedure (Wileman et. al.) 2nd ed.
Virtual Advocacy: litigating from a distance (Petrou, Stern)
Wigmore on Nicotine (Wigmore)
Witness Preparation, Presentation, and Assessment (Gunn, Duckett, McGuinty)



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