

Daily Phone call check in - Ontario Law Organizations - March 23, 2020
Summary

Invited participants on calls

OBA, FOLA, LSO, LAO, the Advocates' Society, & OTLA

Superior Court of Justice in Ontario, Court of Appeal for Ontario, & Ontario Court of Justice
MAG - Political and Department staff

Issues discussed:

1. Courthouse issues

- ❖ Reminder - MAG Court Services Staff are down to a skeleton staff and are accepting ONLY urgent filings. That said, they do hope to expand that but are now looking at a time frame of 2 weeks from now.
- ❖ The SCJ is hoping to equip all Judicial Assistants with laptops so that they can work from home and are looking for a company to donate approx. 100 computers.
- ❖ This morning, the courts issued [this notice](#) urgently reminding members of the legal profession and members of the public NOT to attend courthouses in person unless they are required to be in court for a hearing or to make an urgent filing in a civil, criminal or family matter.
- ❖ On Friday, the OCJ issued new updates related to [Family](#) & [Criminal](#) matters.
- ❖ All court notices are available by clicking on their respective links or you can visit the OCJ main page for all updates [here](#).

2. Ontario Government

Premier and Minister Fedeli [announced the launch of Ontario Together](#) - a new online portal that will give businesses and their employees an opportunity to propose solutions to remove barriers in providing essential goods and services related to the COVID-19 response. Law Association Members are encouraged to reach out to companies providing excellent legal online services and offering e-solutions to let them know about this. The portal is available at ontario.ca/ontariotogether.

FOLA, the OBA, the LSO, and other law associations will be discussing a process to evaluate companies providing commercially available platforms and solutions to the legal profession.