



**FOLA's WEEKLY UPDATE**  
**August 31, 2022**  
**Summary**

**SUPERIOR COURT OF JUSTICE UPDATES**

No updates this week

**ONTARIO COURT OF JUSTICE UPDATES:**

No updates this week

**COURT OF APPEAL FOR ONTARIO UPDATES:**

No updates this week

**MINISTRY OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL**

No updates this week

**LiRN CONSULTATIONS**

❖ **LIBRARY SERVICES & MANAGEMENT RESPONSIBILITIES POLICY HR POLICY AND GUIDELINES**

Law Association Presidents should now have a copy of the revised Library Services & Management Responsibilities Policy HR Policy and Guidelines document and have expressed any comments/concerns to LiRN. Management is presenting this revised copy to their Board this week for review. More information will be provided in the near future.

**FOLA**

- ❖ **FOLA's ANNUAL AWARDS:** We are nearing the deadline for Nominations for our 2022 FOLA Awards. As a reminder, we have an award for Past Presidents, Outstanding Law Library Staff, and a special award to recognize an outstanding member of your Association. [Learn more](#) and fill out a Nomination Form today!
- ❖ **CANADIAN LAWYER'S SURVEYS:**
1. **Top Litigation Boutiques:** Canadian Lawyer's survey of the top litigation boutiques is now open & FOLA is a proud partner this year! They are looking for your input on the best firms specializing in litigation. The survey closes on September 2 2022. Complete the form [here](#).
  2. **5-Star Legal Workplaces:** This 100% anonymous survey gives you the power to tell your organization what it is doing right - and how it can improve. Your feedback will help Canadian Lawyer uncover the 5-Star Legal Workplaces while providing your employer with valuable insights on how they can create better workplaces for all. Survey closes Friday, September 16, 2022. You can complete the survey [here](#).
- Plus, you can read Canadian Lawyer Magazine's article announcing our partnership [here](#).

- ❖ **LiRN ADVOCACY REQUEST:** FOLA is planning on launching another Law Library/Practice Recourse Centre advocacy campaign (starting in mid-September) geared towards Benchers and bencher candidates. The timing of this campaign is to help educate current Benchers as they plan out their upcoming Budget and will also be used as we head into the Bencher elections. To help with our campaign, we would like letters from individual law association members that highlight the importance of their local law library. To better ensure that letters are personal, FOLA will provide talking points to include in these letters rather than send out a template. If you would like to be part of this campaign, please email Katie Robinette ([katie.robinette@fola.ca](mailto:katie.robinette@fola.ca)) with the subject line LiRN. Please include your full name, law association, and all law libraries you use.
- ❖ **FOLA SOCIAL MEDIA MARKETING MANAGER (VOLUNTEER):** FOLA is looking for a Volunteer Social Media Manager. Learn more and apply [here](#).
- ❖ **FOLA's SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER:** FOLA's September 2022 Newsletter was sent out on August 30<sup>th</sup>. You can read it [here](#).

## LAW SOCIETY OF ONTARIO

### ❖ **CONSULTATIONS: PROFESSIONAL REGULATION COMMITTEE'S [MANDATORY SUCCESSION PLANNING REPORT](#):**

The Professional Regulation Committee's consultation report: [Mandatory Succession Planning](#) was included as an information item to Convocation. As outlined in the report, the Committee has launched a consultation that will be open until November 30. In particular, the Committee would like to hear from sole practitioners and licensees in small private practice firms. FOLA will be preparing a Submission. If you would like to contribute your comments for consideration in our Submission, please send them to Katie at [katie.robinette@fola.ca](mailto:katie.robinette@fola.ca) by November 4<sup>th</sup>. You can also submit your comments directly to the LSO. **Consultation open until November 30, 2022.** The consultation form is available [here](#). Those interested may respond to some or all of the questions.

## EVENTS:

### **PEEL LAW ASSOCIATION: IDENTIFYING AND PROTECTING INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY September 14th (4-5pm virtual event)**

Identifying and Protecting Intellectual Property with Ahmed Bulbulia of Pallett Valo LLP (1.0 substantive hours)

Topics covered:

- Overview on identifying and protecting Intellectual Property with an emphasis on trademarks and copyright
- Review of basic trademark and copyright principles
- Advantages of trademark and copyright registrations
- Comparing enforcement of unregistered and registered trademarks
- Copyright infringement and fair dealing defences

[Register here](#)

### **PEEL LAW ASSOCIATION SUMMER OPEN HOUSE**

**September 15th, 2022 - 11am to 3pm**

**LOCATION:** A. Grenville and William Davis Courthouse (7755 Hurontario Street, Suite 160, Brampton)

This is a FREE event open to all PLA members, visiting counsel, Judiciary and the Courthouse Community. Drop by and enjoy food, beverages, and the company of those around you. Harcourts will also be on site if you need to get new court apparel.

[Register here](#)

### **MIDDLESEX LAS ASSOCIATION: TIDYING UP END OF LIFE ISSUES WITH MAID**

**Tuesday, September 20, 2022 Online via Zoom 1:00pm - 3:00pm**

**Speaker:** Dr. Emily Jones, General Internal Medicine specialist at the London Health Sciences Centre

**Chair:** Jennifer Wall, Harrison Pensa Lawyers LLP

Medical Assistance in Dying (MAiD) is a relatively new option that allows qualifying Canadians to end their lives with the assistance of a physician or nurse practitioner. Recent amendments to the Criminal Code have expanded the eligibility criteria for MAiD. In this program, participants will learn about the MAiD process including:

- Eligibility criteria (including potential upcoming changes);
- Consent, capacity, and ethical dilemmas from the legal and medical points of view;
- Legal considerations and complications that may arise due to MAiD; and
- The process and experience of MAiD, including the referral process and how and where medically assisted death can take place.

[Register here](#)

### **PEEL LAW ASSOCIATION: NAVIGATING GOVERNANCE CHALLENGES IN CLOSELY HELD COMPANIES**

**September 20th (4-5pm virtual event)**

Navigating Governance Challenges in Closely Held Companies with Erin Morgan and Susan Kushneryk of Kushneryk Morgan LLP - (0.75 LSO-accredited professionalism hours and 0.25 substantive hours)

Topics covered:

- Overview of Corporate Governance Legal Principles
- Key Rules of Professional Conduct and Ethical Duties
- Avoiding and Resolving Conflicts

[Register here](#)

### **REMINDER: OSGOOD HALL - ESTATE LITIGATION SERIES**

**September 21, 28 and October 6, 2022 - ONLINE**

Estate Litigation: The Practical Guide for Legal Professionals

Held over the course of three evenings, this program will provide delegates with the fundamentals of estate litigation. Using real-life case studies and a step-by-step analysis of the litigation process, delegates will leave equipped with the knowledge, skills and tools to confidently advise clients and be an effective advocate in estate matters.

*\*LSO Accredited for 8h 50m CPD (7h 55m Substantive; 55m Professionalism)*

[Register here](#)

### **CRIMINAL LAW SEMINAR - HALTON COUNTY LAW ASSOCIATION**

**Saturday, September 24, 2022**

**9am-1pm (EST) (Zoom)**

**\$55 (HCLA members) // \$75 non-members)**

Views from the Bench - A Justice (tbd), Ontario Court of Justice

General advocacy tips and strategies - Ari Goldkind

Recent Supreme Court Decisions - Brendan Neil

Recent cases on mental disorder - Russell Browne

Charter s. 8: Technological advances and Appellate Court responses - Charon Kerr, Crown Counsel

Practical considerations when bringing applications for release in high-stakes, high-profile serious case bail hearings - Liam O'Connor.

**LSO Accredited**

[Register here](#)

### **2022 PEEL LAW ASSOCIATION's JUDGES' NIGHT**

**September 29th, 2022 - starting at 5:30pm**

**LOCATION:** Mississauga Convention Centre (75 Derry Road W., Mississauga)

**PLA Members: \$150 // Non-PLA Members: \$200**

Join the PLA for their much anticipated and always enjoyable evening of dinner with your colleagues and our special guests, members of the Judiciary from Central West and beyond.

[Register here](#)

### **ARBITRATION FOR FAMILY LAW LAWYERS: STRATEGIES FOR SUCCESS**

**October 12, 2022, 9:00 am - 4:00 p.m. ET**

This new and unique program is designed to provide family law lawyers with the practical guidance they need to successfully navigate the challenges of arbitration and achieve positive outcomes for their clients. In one intensive day, our expert faculty will take you through the key elements of family law arbitration.

[Learn more and register here.](#)

### **DRLA FALL 2022 CONFERENCE**

**Thursday, October 13, 2022 & Friday, October 14, 2022**

Check out the Conference details [here](#).

Download the registration form [here](#).

### **FOLA FALL 2022 PLENARY: SAVE THE DATE!**

**November 9-11, 2022**

Embassy Suites, Niagara Falls Ontario

Registration & details coming soon

### **12th ANNUAL RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN ADVANCED ISSUES IN CHILD & SPOUSAL SUPPORT**

**Nov 11, 2022 (Live Online) // Dec 8, 2022 (Replay Online)**

**\$595**

More information & Registration [here](#).

### **EQUALITY, DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION: CULTURAL COMPETENCE FOR LEGAL PROFESSIONALS**

**Nov 15, 2022, 8:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. ET**

In this half day program, you will learn the practical skills you need for greater cultural competence in the legal profession and immediately put your skills into action through a series of exercises where you'll address challenges faced in different legal settings and learn strategies for successfully overcoming them.

[Learn more and register here.](#)

**QUESTIONS/CONCERNS?**

## **COURT WORKING GROUPS**

### **SCJ FAMILY LAW & IN-PERSON vs. ONLINE MATTERS**

If you have ongoing concerns regarding in-person vs online appearances at the SCJ, please direct your concerns to Katie at [katie.robinette@fola.ca](mailto:katie.robinette@fola.ca) and she will relay them to our Family Law Working Group.

**SCJ SMALL CLAIMS COURT WORKING GROUP:** FOLA is requesting that practitioners (as well as Deputy Judges) take a moment to consider and comment on what works well and what could use improvement in our Small Claims Court so that constructive feedback can continue to flow to the Small Claims Court Working Group. Please send comments to Katie at [katie.robinette@fola.ca](mailto:katie.robinette@fola.ca).

### **EVERYTHING ELSE**

Law Association members are welcome to send any issues/concerns related to the above Updates to FOLA by emailing Katie at [katie.robinette@fola.ca](mailto:katie.robinette@fola.ca). We will address them in as timely a manner as possible. Please also note that FOLA cannot assist in issues related to a specific case and the Courts will NOT provide clarification on any Notice to the Profession.