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EDUCATION: Called to Bar of Ontario, 1979
L.L.B. Osgoode Hall Law School, York University, 1977
B.A. Honours, English, St. Michael's College, University of Toronto,
1974

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE:

1984 to date Executive Director, Advocacy Centre for the Elderly

2006 to 2012 Sessional Lecturer, Law and Aging
Faculty of Social Work, Masters Programme, University of Toronto

2005 Appointed Distinguished Fellow of the
Canadian Centre for Elder Law, BC Law Institute

2002 and 2005 Sessional Instructor, Law and Aging,
Faculty of Social Sciences- Gerontology, McMaster University

1979 to 1984 Birenbaum, Koffman and Steinberg, Barristers and Solicitors,
Toronto; General Practice: Civil litigation, Family law, Wills and
estates, Immigration

1979 Member, Law Society of Upper Canada (Ontario)

POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND CONSULTATION:

Member, Retirement Home Regulatory Authority Stakeholder Advisory Council, appointed
in 2012 for a two year term

Member, Advisory Committee to Law Commission of Ontario, Capacity and Guardianship
Project, 2013

Member, Advisory Committee to Law Commission of Ontario, Law and Aging Project
2011-2012

Presenter, Standing Committee on Status of Women, Abuse of Older Women
Consultation, 2011

Co-Writer, ACE Submission to Minister Responsible for Seniors with respect to Draft
Regulations made under the *Retirement Homes Act*, 2011

Co-Organizer, Canadian Conference on Elder Law, Toronto, 2010

Member, Retirement Home Expert Roundtable, Ontario Seniors Secretariat, 2010

Member, Fact Finding Working Group on Prevention and Awareness of the Abuse of Older Adults with Disabilities, Human Resources and Social Development Canada, 2009-2010

Member, Expert Roundtable on Elder Abuse Consultation, Human Resources and Social Development Canada, Ottawa, June 2008

Organizer, Presenter and Facilitator, Federal-Provincial-Territorial Working Group Consultation on Financial Abuse, Ottawa, June 2008 and Elder Abuse, Vancouver. 2007

Member, Elder Health Coalition and Elder Health Coalition Elder Abuse Working Group, 2006 to date

Member, Alzheimer Roundtable, Ministry of Citizenship and Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, 2004-2007

Member, Toronto Seniors' Roundtable, City of Toronto, 2004-2006

Member, Compliance Management Working Group and Standards Review Committee, Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, 2004-2006

Member, Guardianship Advisory Committee, Office of the Public Guardian and Trustee, 1996 to date

Member, Alzheimer Initiative Advance Care Planning Consultation Committee, 2001-2002

Member, Ontario Elder Abuse Initiative Working Group, 2000

Chair, Interim Advisory Committee for the Implementation of the *Substitute Decisions Act* at the Office of the Public Trustee, 1992-1995 (by appointment of the Ontario Attorney-General)

Consultant for various Elder Abuse Projects – One Voice, Health Canada, Ontario Office of Seniors Issues, Ontario Seniors Secretariat, 1989-2002

Member, Review of Advocacy for Vulnerable Adults, O'Sullivan Committee, 1987

Member, Attorney General's Committee on Substitute Decision Making for Mentally Incapable Persons (Fram Committee), 1985-1988

OTHER ACTIVITIES AND AWARDS:

Recipient, Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal, 2013

Recipient, Ontario Bar Association Award for Distinguished Service, 2008

Recipient, Osgoode Hall Law School Gold Key Award for Public Service, 2006

Member of Organizing Team and Presenter, Canadian Conference on Elder Law (organized by Law Commission of Ontario, Advocacy Centre for the Elderly, Canadian Centre for Elder Law and BC Law Institute), 2010

Vice-Chair, National Initiative for the Care of the Elderly Network, University of Toronto 2006-2010

Chair, Canadian Bar Association - National Elderlaw Section, 2007-2009

Executive Member, Canadian Bar Association – National Elderlaw Section 2009 to date

Member, Mental Health Law Committee, 2000 to date

Writer and Presenter, Abuse of Older Adults' Education, Prevention and Response Project - A Community Development project to assist Urban, Rural, and First Nations communities across Ontario to develop local Community Response Networks

Writer and Presenter, Advance Care Planning Programme 2003 Ontario Alzheimer's Initiative #2 Family Physicians' Training, Health Professionals Training, and Community Training on Advance Directives for Care Choices

Organizer, Canadian "Nuts and Bolts" Elderlaw Training Programme, National Academy of Elderlaw Attorneys, Vancouver, 2001

Instructor and Member of Organizing Team, Ontario Police College Training Programme, Elder Abuse Response and Prevention for Police Services, 2004- 2007 and 2011

Instructor, First Nations Case Management Training Programme, McMaster University, Continuing Education Programme

Co-Chair, First National Conference on Elder Abuse and Crime, 1990

Member at Large, Ontario Bar Association, Health Law Section Executive, 1996-1998 and 2004-2006

Frequent speaker at conferences including National Victims Day Conference, Justice Canada; Canadian Bar Association; Canadian Centre for Elderlaw; Isaac Pitblado Lecture- Law Society of Manitoba; International Conference on Law and Mental Health; Canadian Association of Gerontology(1998-2011), McMaster Summer Institute; Alzheimer Society of Canada; Ontario Provincial Police College; Ontario Hospital Association; United Senior Citizens of Ontario; Law Society of Upper Canada Continuing Education; Quebec Legal Aid Plan; BC Justice Institute, Ontario Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse, Long-term Care Physicians Association, Ontario Bar Association