



BENCHER ELECTION: The profession has spoken LOUDLY and CLEARLY. Below you will find the names of the 40 newly elected Benchers, 29 of whom will be sitting in Convocation for the first time. The candidates organized by opposition to the Statement of Principles were enormously successful electing 23 of the new Benchers. 16 incumbent Benchers failed to secure re-election. Detailed election results are posted on the Law Society website: <http://www.lsuc.on.ca>

| Toronto | | | |
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| Murray Klippenstein | Sam Goldstein | Sidney Troister | Malcolm Mercer |
| Robert P. Adourian | Lubomir Poliacik | Nicholas dePencier Wright | Julia Shin Doi |
| Chi-Kun Shi | D. Jared Brown | Philip H. Horgan | Atrisha Lewis |
| Geoff Pollack | John F. Fagan | Joseph Groia | Megan Shortreed |
| Julian Falconer | Gina Papageorgiou | Orlando Da Silva | Isfahan Merali |
| Outside Toronto | | | |
| Joseph Chiumminto | Etienne Esquega | Ryan Alford | Brian L. Prill |
| Andrew Spurgeon | Teresa Donnelly | Cecil Lyon | Paul M. Cooper |
| Gary D. Graham | Gerard Paul Charette | C. Scott Marshall | Jean-Jacques Desgranges |
| Cheryl R. Lean | Jacqueline Horvat | Jorge E. Pineda | Trevor Robert Parry |
| Jack Braithwaite | Dianne Corbiere | Alexander David Wilkes | Claire Wilkinson |

WOMEN BENCHERS: Only 11 of the 40 elected Benchers this term are women. That compares with 16 elected in 2015, 18 elected in 2011, 19 elected in 2007 and 11 elected in 2003.

VOTER TURNOUT: 31% of the Profession voted from a pool of about 54,000 lawyers. This compares with about 34% in 2015, 37% in 2011 and a whopping 56% in 1987. This low voter turn out is appalling in the face of enthusiastic and persistent campaigning by the candidates. The well organized "STOP SOP" campaign was very successful.

TREASURER ELECTION: A Treasurer Election will be held in June Convocation. It is anticipated, absent some unexpected circumstance, that Treasurer Mercer will be re-elected for a second one-year term. In that event, a vacancy will be created in the Toronto area to be filled by the Toronto candidate receiving the next highest number of votes.

Congratulations go to all the candidates who sought election in what is a very difficult process. Thank you for offering to serve the Profession, and a special thank you to those who served in Convocation during the last 4 years but are not continuing.

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