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BAR ADMISSION

Alberta
2008

EDUCATION

University of Alberta
Bachelor of Laws
2007

University of Alberta
Bachelor of Arts, Criminology
2003

I obtained my Bachelor of Laws Degree from the University of Alberta and was called to the Alberta Bar in 2008. I have practiced primarily in Edmonton throughout my career. I am currently the Associate General Counsel, Litigation of a provincial health corporation leading a small team of 10 litigation professionals who provide in-house litigation services to various organizations in the healthcare system. I have practiced with this organization and its predecessor for 13 years. My practice focuses on health law litigation, where I provide strategic advice on dispute resolution, risk management, and a myriad of issues that arise on a regular basis. I rely on strong analytical skills, practical judgment, and ability to distill complex issues into clear, actionable guidance for organizational clients.

My experience has equipped me with a deep understanding of both procedural and substantive legal issues, as well as the importance of effective communication and attention to detail. I have been a member of the CBA Alberta Branch and appreciate its role to improve the law and address access to justice issues. In addition to my practice, I have been involved in my community with roles with the Strathcona Youth Justice Committee and Sherwood Park Minor Baseball.

I am committed to contributing to the legal profession beyond my practice. I value the role of the Canadian Bar Association in supporting lawyers, promoting professional excellence, and advancing the administration of justice. I have a particular interest in governance and initiatives that strengthen the legal community in Alberta.

Through my work and volunteer involvement, I bring a thoughtful, organized, and service-oriented perspective, grounded in collaboration, professionalism, and a commitment to the continued strength of the legal profession.

Why I Want to Serve on the CBA Alberta Executive Committee as Secretary

I am motivated to serve on the CBA Alberta Executive Committee as Secretary because I value the role the CBA plays in strengthening the legal profession, fostering collegiality, and advancing the administration of justice. As an active member of the Alberta bar, I see the Executive Committee as an opportunity to contribute meaningfully to the profession beyond my day-to-day practice.

The Secretary role, in particular, appeals to me because it sits at the intersection of governance, continuity, and organizational effectiveness. My experience as a litigation lawyer has sharpened my attention to detail, drafting precision, and ability to distill complex discussions into clear, accurate records—skills that directly align with the responsibilities of the Secretary.

I am also drawn to the collaborative nature of the Executive Committee. I value working with colleagues from diverse practice areas and perspectives to address issues affecting the profession, whether related to access to justice, member engagement, or professional development. Serving in this role would allow me to contribute to thoughtful decision-making and help ensure that the committee's work is well-documented and effectively implemented.

In addition, I see this position as an opportunity to deepen my own engagement with the CBA and to support its strategic priorities within Alberta. Ultimately, I am seeking to serve because I believe in giving back to the profession, and I am confident that my skills, work ethic, and commitment would allow me to contribute effectively as Secretary.