Notice to the Profession

Election Date

Votes must be received by 5:00 p.m. on April 30, 2015.

Candidate Nominations

Every lawyer licensee, who on June 1, 2015 would not have held the office of elected bencher for 12 or more years and whose business address, or, where the licensee has no business address, home address, as indicated on the records of the Law Society, is within Ontario, and whose licence is not suspended at the time of signing the nomination form can be a candidate in the election.

Candidates must be nominated by at least five (5) lawyer licensees whose licences are not suspended at the time they sign the nomination form. The nomination form must be received in the Office of the Elections Officer at the Law Society of Upper Canada, 130 Queen Street West, Toronto, M5H 2N6, by 5:00 p.m. on February 13, 2015.

Election Scheme

Forty benchers will be elected: 20 from inside Toronto and 20 from outside Toronto. Of the 40 benchers, eight will be elected as regional benchers in the eight electoral regions that conform to the boundaries of the province's judicial districts.

A regional bencher will be elected on the basis of ballots cast by voters in the electoral regions. The remaining 32 benchers are elected based on the votes of all eligible voters.

The electoral region for both candidates and voters is determined by the candidate's or voter's business address, or where there is no business address, home address, as indicated on the records of the Law Society.

Please review the provisions of By-Law 3 available on the Law Society website at *www.lsuc.on.ca/bencher-election-2015* for details.

Nomination Packages

Nomination packages are available on the Law Society website at *www.lsuc.on.ca/bencher-election-2015*.

Questions regarding the election can be directed to the Office of the Elections Officer at (416) 947-3404 or 1-877-947-3404 or at bencherelection@lsuc.on.ca.

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