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Region	Incumbency	Slate or Coalition Affiliation	Law Association Membership
Toronto	Not An Incumbent	Unaffiliated	None

LiRN Funding and Libraries

Will you support the Law Society maintaining its current level of funding for LiRN, adjusted annually for inflation?

Yes

Do you recognize the importance of the Law Society's support for the LiRN budget in maintaining licensee competence across Ontario?

Yes

If elected I will commit to at least maintaining the current level of LiRN funding, adjusted annually for inflation. I make that commitment because I recognize the importance of courthouse libraries both to lawyers and other courthouse users across the province. There is a clear connection between well-funded courthouse libraries, professional competence and access to justice. On many occasions while travelling across the province to litigate on behalf of the Crown I have personally benefited from the presence of a courthouse library and a helpful librarian. I am committed to ensuring that the libraries remain a relevant resource.

If you are an incumbent, do you regret voting to cut the LiRN budget by 10% in November 2020?

N/A

N/A - not an incumbent.

Do you support offloading funding for LiRN/law libraries to the Law Foundation of Ontario?

No

There are two primary reasons why I would not support offloading funding for LiRN/law libraries to the Law Foundation of Ontario. The first is that the responsibility of Convocation to provide funding for law libraries as set out in By-Law is at its heart a recognition of the importance of the LiRN and law libraries to the mandate of the LSO. Law libraries are a key mechanism for ensuring the competence of the legal profession. Ensuring a competent legal profession is very clearly in the public interest. Taking funding decisions away from Convocation improperly delegates an essential part of Convocation's mandate to a body not assigned the task of regulating in the public interest. This is true even if the Law Foundation were to provide LiRN with proper funding. The second reason I would oppose offloading funding decisions to the Law Foundation is related to the first. If funding of the LiRN/law libraries was offloaded to the Law Foundation, there would be less funding available to other grantees who rely on the Law Foundation to support their work.

Legal Aid Funding

Will you advocate for Legal Aid Ontario funding improvement and sustainability to ensure that being a Legal Aidempanelled lawyer remains a viable area of practice for the private bar?

Yes

\$ If you answered "yes", how?

I understand the importance of a robust and well-funded LAO both for lawyers who do this important work and also for access to justice for the people of Ontario. If elected bencher, I will build on the work done by the LSO pursuant to the report prepared in 2016 by the Legal Aid Working Group. This includes working with other organizations including through ASLA and by lobbying directly for increased funding. While I think raising awareness through sessions and other efforts is work worth doing, I would push the LSO to take a more aggressive position on the issue.

Please describe efforts that you believe should be undertaken by the Law Society to advocate for investment in LAO and increased financial allocation to LAO from the provincial and federal governments' budgets.

I think the LSO can and should engage both the provincial and federal governments on the questions of investment in LAO and increased financial allocation from their budgets. It should work with other organizations to encourage them to do the same. I also think the LSO can and should engage its members in this advocacy campaign and ask them to engage with their MPs and MPPs directly. Collective action is the key to successful advocacy on these kinds of issues.

Paralegal Scope of Practice

On December 1, 2022, Convocation approved the Family Legal Service Provider (FLSP) license to allow paralegals who complete specified training to assist clients with certain family law services. The FLSP is to be reviewed in 3 years. Should paralegals' scope of practice be expanded?

Yes, it should be expanded.

🔖 If you answered "yes", in what ways, why, and what additional training (if any) should be required of paralegals?

Paralegals play an important role in providing legal services to the public. From an access to justice perspective it makes sense to look at the question of whether there are additional areas in which their scope of practice ought to be expanded.

Lawyer licensees pay an annual competency levy as part of their annual fees that contributes towards LiRN, which funds courthouse libraries. Would you support a requirement for paralegals to also pay an annual competency levy?

Yes

Paralegals should also be required to help fund the LiRN as they also benefit from law libraries.

Law Association Involvement

When did you become a member of each of the associations you selected above? Which board or executive roles, if any, have you served in as part of these associations? Please list relevant dates and roles.

Not a member of a county or district law association.

Why are you a member of each of the associations you selected above?

Not a member of a county or district law association.

