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Region	Incumbency	Slate or Coalition Affiliation	Law Association Membership
Toronto	Not An Incumbent	Good Governance Coalition	Toronto

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
Law libraries are incredibly important for access to justice. They are a source of competence for lawyers, particularly sole practitioners and small practices, that would be unable to support the cost of legal research resources on their own. These resources are vital to ensuring well informed and up-to-date representation for clients. LiRN resource provision through libraries reduces the cost of providing competent representation. Sustainable funding for law library simply makes sense.	
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
The Law Foundation doesn’t have an obligation to fund libraries. The Law Society has a mandate to ensure competent lawyers and has a sustainable source of funding (licensing fees) with which to do so.	

Legal Aid Funding	
Will you advocate for Legal Aid Ontario funding improvement and sustainability to ensure that being a Legal Aid-empanelled lawyer remains a viable area of practice for the private bar?	Yes
👉 If you answered “yes”, how?	
As a criminal defence lawyer and one who takes Legal Aid cases, I know how important well-funded Legal Aid is to access to justice. We simply cannot rely on the free work of lawyers to ensure that the most vulnerable people in our justice system receive competent and timely representation.	
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.	
We need to push federal and provincial governments to increase LAO funding as part of a broader justice strategy.	

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?	
It should be expanded no further than the FLSP	
👉 If you answered “yes”, in what ways, why, and what additional training (if any) should be required of paralegals?	
No response was required, but the candidate wrote: None of the options above reflect my views. The LSO shouldn’t look for additional areas to expand paralegal scope of practice. What it should be doing, is looking at ways of increasing access to justice. This question should be studied, and consultations should be made, and on the basis of the information received, I would make a decision, whether it is in the public interest to expand the paralegal scope of practice.	
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
Yes, if they also benefit from these resources.	

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.	
2018	
Why are you a member of each of the associations you selected above?	
As a lawyer who has a small practice, the resources provided by the TLA are vital to me, particularly courthouse libraries.	