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Code of Professional Conduct Training

The Law Society of Saskatchewan has approved a new *Code of Professional Conduct*, which will come into effect on **July 1, 2012**. The *Code* is based on the “Model Code” drafted by the Federation of Law Societies of Canada. While the *Code* has a new format, there are only a few substantive changes to the rules of ethics. The amendments focus largely on better overall organization of the rules, with improved “best practice guidance” in the commentaries to the rules. Each province retains the legislative responsibility for its own code of conduct. The Saskatchewan *Code* has retained certain ‘colloquial’ ethical quirks and has done away with others in the spirit of adopting a national *Code*.

Since the *Code* is fundamental to our members’ conduct and the Law Society’s function as regulator, it is essential that all lawyers become familiar with the new *Code* and the changes that have been approved. Training related to the new *Code* is mandatory and is being provided to our members at no cost. The training will be offered in several different centres across the province and must be completed by all active members by **December 31, 2012**. Members will be entitled to report this free training as 2 CPD hours, which will also qualify as ethics hours.

Various dates and locations
from May to December 2012

See Registration Form
(next page)
for dates and locations
of the live in-person sessions

Instructor

W. Brent Cotter, Q.C. is a professor at the College of Law at the University of Saskatchewan, having joined the faculty as Dean of the College of Law in 2004 and serving in that role from 2004 to 2010.

Born in Kamsack, Saskatchewan he attended high school in Moose Jaw. He attended the University of Saskatchewan where he obtained his Bachelor of Commerce degree in 1971. In 1974, he obtained his Bachelor of Laws degree from Dalhousie University.

He articulated and practiced in Saskatoon until 1977, when he completed a Master of Laws degree from Dalhousie and became a law professor. He taught at Dalhousie until 1991, and served during part of that time as Executive Director of Dalhousie Legal Aid Service, as Associate Dean, as a labour arbitrator and as a scholar in residence at Duke Law School (1983-84) and at the University of Saskatchewan (1989-90). In 1991-92, he served as the first Chair in Legal Ethics at the Faculty of Law of the University of Alberta.

From 1992 to 1997 Brent served as Deputy Minister of Justice and Deputy Attorney General for the Province of Saskatchewan. In July 1997, he was appointed Deputy Minister of Intergovernmental and Aboriginal Affairs, as well as Deputy Provincial Secretary.

Brent was appointed a Queen’s Counsel in 1993, was the recipient of the province’s Centennial Medal (2005), the Canadian Bar Association (Saskatchewan Branch) Distinguished Service Award (2008) and the Law Students’ Association Award for Teaching Excellence (2011). Brent is the author of a number of works in the field of Legal Ethics.

Training Sessions

☐	Estevan	Monday, June 18, 2012 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Southeast Regional College 255 Spruce Drive
☐	Lloydminster	Friday, September 21, 2012 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Best Western Wayside Inn 5411 44th Street
☐	North Battleford	Friday, September 21, 2012 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Tropical Inn 1001 Highway #16 Bypass
☐	Prince Albert	Friday, November 16, 2012 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Travelodge Hotel 3551 2nd Avenue West
☒	Regina <i>Limited to 200 attendees</i>	Thursday, May 24, 2012 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Delta Regina Hotel 1919 Saskatchewan Drive
☒	Regina <i>Limited to 200 attendees</i>	Friday, September 14, 2012 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Regina Inn 1975 Broad Street
☐	Regina <i>Limited to 200 attendees</i>	Monday, October 29, 2012 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Travelodge Hotel 4177 Albert Street
☐	Regina <i>Limited to 200 attendees</i>	Monday, December 3, 2012 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Delta Regina Hotel 1919 Saskatchewan Drive
☒	Saskatoon <i>Limited to 200 attendees</i>	Monday, June 4, 2012 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. TCU Place 35 – 22nd Street East
☒	Saskatoon <i>Limited to 200 attendees</i>	Monday, October 22, 2012 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. TCU Place 35 – 22nd Street East
☐	Saskatoon <i>Limited to 200 attendees</i>	Friday, November 16, 2012 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Travelodge Hotel 106 Circle Drive
☐	Saskatoon <i>Limited to 200 attendees</i>	Monday, December 10, 2012 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. TCU Place 35 – 22nd Street East
☐	Swift Current	Friday, May 25, 2012 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Great Plains College 129 2nd Avenue N.E.
☐	Yorkton	Friday, October 12, 2012 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. Queen's Bench Court House 29 Darlington Street East

Registration Form

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Please indicate in the list on the left which training session you will be attending.

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Submit completed Registration Form to:

Law Society of Saskatchewan
Avord Tower, #1100 – 2002 Victoria Avenue
Regina, SK S4P 0R7
Email: cpd@lawsociety.sk.ca
Fax: 306-352-2989

Alternate Training Options

1. Private Training Sessions:

Private training sessions are available upon request at the cost of \$800 (+ GST), plus expenses. Any firm or organization seeking to arrange a private training session should contact the Law Society at 306.569.8242.

2. Non-Resident Members:

The training will be available via recorded webinar for all active members of the Law Society of Saskatchewan who do not reside in Saskatchewan (excluding members who reside in Lloydminster, AB).

General Information

In the unlikely event that the Law Society of Saskatchewan is forced to modify its program schedule, registrants will be notified.

Please attend the registration table at the seminar. Any course materials will be given to you then. **Registration will commence 30 minutes prior to the scheduled start time for each session. To ensure sessions can start on time, please allow yourself sufficient time to register and get settled.**

If, for any reason, the Law Society of Saskatchewan is unable to accept your registration, you will be notified prior to the seminar. Confirmation of registration is not provided, unless requested, as we prefer not to have to pass on the added expense to our registrants.