



Legal Education Society of Alberta Press Release

LESA Celebrates a Rich History of ACLEA Involvement
Executive Director Jennifer Flynn Appointed ACLEA President

Edmonton, AB (August 10, 2015): The Legal Education Society of Alberta (LESA) strives to set standards of excellence in the education of Alberta's lawyers, articling students, and their staff. To help achieve this goal, LESA actively engages with the Association for Continuing Legal Education (ACLEA). ACLEA is an international association devoted to improving the performance of continuing legal education (CLE) professionals. LESA's involvement with ACLEA spans several decades. At the 51st Annual Meeting in Chicago, which ran from August 1–4, 2015, LESA's Executive Director Jennifer Flynn was appointed as ACLEA's new President. This appointment marks a distinctive achievement, making LESA the first CLE organization in ACLEA history to have three ACLEA presidential appointments.

In 1996, Hugh A. Robertson QC became both the first Canadian and the first LESA Executive Director to serve as ACLEA President. Paul Wood QC served as ACLEA President from 2005 to 2006. In 2015, ACLEA will once again have one of LESA's Executive Directors at the helm. Flynn – who was voted one of Edmonton's Top 40 under 40 in 2013 – brings vision and commitment to excellence to all she does in the world of CLE. Her appointment reflects the skills she brings as an individual and the quality of CLE that LESA provides. As an innovative and premier CLE provider in North America, LESA looks forward to sharing its vision of educational excellence with ACLEA over the next year.

About LESA: LESA was founded in 1975 to provide sound pre-call training for students-at-law and quality continuing professional development for the entire profession thereafter. Today LESA delivers exceptional face-to-face legal education and educational resources to the entire spectrum of Alberta's legal community. While LESA's content, delivery, and educational methodologies have evolved over time, its essential function has not. LESA remains the lifelong partner of the legal profession in a common pursuit of continuing legal excellence.

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