

Civil Litigation Section Report 2016-2017

The Civil Litigation Section Executive for 2016 – 2017 consisted of:

- Alison McCullough- Butchart, Chair (Qualico Developments Canada Ltd.)
- John Martens, Past Chair (MLT Aikins LLP)
- Bailey Harris, Vice Chair (Thompson Dorfman Sweatman LLP)
- Karen Poetker, Member-at Large (Pitblado LLP)
- Kalyn Bomback, Secretary (Gange Collins Holloway)

During the 2016 - 2017 term the Civil Litigation Section sponsored three professional development seminars.

On October 21, 2016 a session was held entitled “Should Manitoba Increase the Monetary Limit for Small Claims?”. The presenters were Elizabeth McCandless, counsel with the Manitoba Law Reform Commission and Jacqueline Collins, a partner with Gange Collins Holloway.

On January 19, 2017 a session was held during the 2017 MBA Mid-Winter Conference. The session was entitled “Civil Litigation Update”. The presenters were David Hill, a partner with Hill Sokalski Walsh Olson LLP presented on developments in the oppressions remedy, Jamie Jurczak, a partner with Taylor McCaffrey LLP presented an update on employment law and Jamie Kagan, a partner with Thompson Dorfman Sweatman LLP presented on recent developments in evidence law.

On May 19, 2017 a session was held entitled “An Overview of Injunctions and other Extraordinary Remedies”. The presenters were R. Ivan Holloway, a partner with Gange Collins Holloway and Kevin D. Toyne, an Associate with Hill Sokalski Walsh Olson LLP. John Martens attended the National Civil Litigation Section meeting in Ottawa which took place on December 3, 2016.

The Civil Litigation Section’s Executive is currently planning for CPDs for the Fall of 2017 and for the 2018 MBA Mid-Winter Conference.

Submitted by,

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