## **Civil Litigation Section Report 2017-2018**

The Civil Litigation Section Executive for 2017 – 2018 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)
- Andrew Sain, Member-at Large (Thompson Dorfman Sweatman LLP)
- Kalyn Bomback, Secretary (City of Winnipeg Legal Services)

During the 2017 - 2018 term the Civil Litigation Section sponsored three professional development seminars.

On November 30, 2017 a session was held entitled "Project Management? Practice Management!". The presenters were Bjorn Christianson, a partner with Christianson TDS and Robert Dawson, legal counsel with Dawson Law Chambers.

On January 19, 2018 a session was held during the 2018 MBA Mid-Winter Conference. The session was entitled "Trial Advocacy with Perspectives from a Judge, a Senior Litigator and a Junior Litigator". The presenters were Associate Chief Justice Shane Perlmutter, Court of Queen's Bench of Manitoba, Richard Beamish, a partner with Tapper Cuddy LLP and Kalyn Bomback, a Solicitor with the City of Winnipeg Legal Services.

Kalyn Bomback attended the National Civil Litigation Section meeting in Ottawa which took place on December 9, 2017.

The Civil Litigation Section's Executive is currently planning for CPDs for the spring of 2018, fall of 2018 and for the 2019 MBA Mid-Winter Conference.

Submitted by,

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