

Real Property Section Report 2016-2017

During the 2016/2017 year (approximately the beginning of May, 2016 to the end of April, 2017), the Real Property Section's activities have been comprised in part of the general sessions it has conducted, and in part, of the Section's Executive's (i.e., Howard Nerman and Ned Brown) activities with respect to real property practice matters brought to their attention.

Highlights of the Section's activities during the above period have been:

1. The following Section general information sessions have been held:
 - (a) September 15, 2016 – presentation on the new Land Titles eMortgage;
 - (b) November 17, 2016 - presentation on *The New Home Warranty Act*;
 - (c) February 27, 2017 - presentation on Canada Goods and Services Tax and dealings in real estate interests;
 - (d) March 16, 2017 - presentation on water rights (and obligations); and
 - (e) April 12, 2017 - presentation on commercial landlords' remedies on tenant's default.
2. Ned Brown worked with Doug Christie's committee of lawyers seeking revisions to the Land Titles tariff for costs of real property mortgage realizations.
3. The Section's Executive, aided by Jeff Shypit, Mona Brown, Lionel Martens, Rick Adams, Albina Moran and David Marshall continues to meet with senior LTO officers approximately every three to four months to discuss matters of mutual concern regarding the administration of the Land Titles system.
4. Howard Nerman and Ned Brown continue to receive calls and queries from practitioners regarding various matters of practice from time to time.
5. Howard Nerman and Ned Brown have sat as representatives of the Real Property Section on the "Stakeholders' Committee" shared by Maureen Terra which deals with and considers matters related to real property law, practice and procedure (and policy).
6. Ned Brown chaired two information sessions at the January, 2017 Mid-Winter Bar meeting.

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