



FOLA’s Central East Regional Report for May 2021 Plenary

CENTRAL EAST REGIONAL REPORT

The Central East Region consists of the Durham Law Association, Muskoka Law Association, Northumberland Law Association, Peterborough Law Association, Simcoe County Law Association, Victoria Haliburton Law Association, and the York Law Association.

As is the case across the province the practicing members of the Central East Region continue to deal with the constraints and new protocols that apply to practice in the wake of the COVID 19 pandemic.

As the Central East regional representative, I have been involved in various consultation meetings with our regions new Senior Regional Justice Edwards over the past months in efforts to try and put in place new procedures for the handling of civil trials.

There has been an effort to support associations with regard to their participation in Joint Health and Safety Committees for the local court houses. With on notable exception most cases our associations have at least one representative participating in these committees.

We have also sent a letter to our local benchers signed by all of the presidents of our associations expressing concern regarding the recent budget cuts to the LIRN which runs our local law libraries.

In addition to the above through FOLA feedback has been provided in relation to some of the various committees that have been created in response to COVID such as the E-Hearing Task Force and Superior Court of Justice Working Group.

Unfortunately, due to the COVID 19 pandemic many of our AGMS have not been held in person. I look forward should the situation improve with COVID to the possibility of meeting some of the local presidents in person.

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