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Dear Real Estate Representatives, Presidents and Library Staff,

It is hard to believe that we are almost at the end of 2020. What a year it has been! By and large, real estate lawyers in Ontario adapted quickly and effectively to the changing circumstances brought about the global pandemic resulting from the effects of Covid-19.

We should be thankful for our robust and efficient land registration system and our strong real estate markets. If technology wasn't your friend at the start of this year, it probably is now.

In this final update of 2020, we encourage you to continue to be patient, co-operative and collegial with one another. We are all trying to achieve the same goals for our clients - getting the deal done.

November Plenary Report

For those of you with extra time on your hands in the coming weeks, check out the FOLA's Real Estate Report presented to the November Plenary here for a summary of our recent activities.

Volunteer Request

The Canadian Bar Association is looking for volunteers for a subcommittee to review typical mortgage instructions and to provide feedback to the Canadian Bankers Association. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact merredith@mpottawa.com and she will put you in touch with the chair of the subcommittee.

Teraview® Updates

Jeff Lem announced some Teraview[®] updates at a recent Law Society program effective December 7, 2020.

- 1. French language documents may now be registered in every jurisdiction in the province through Teraview[®]. Although some jurisdictions previously had this ability, this feature now applies to all counties and districts across the province.
- 2. You can now submit documents to be registered under the Registry Act and other documents required to be registered in paper via Teraview[®]. See the Electronic Registration Procedures Guide here for further details.

If and when we receive further information of interest to the real estate bar, we will pass it along.

Stay up to date with FOLA's real estate information at https://fola.ca/real-estate-law.

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