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## **Land and Property Rights Tribunal Member Listing and Biographies**

### **Orieji Anya**

Orieji practices law with a strong focus in corporate commercial law, construction, acquisitions, and disputes/commercial litigation. She obtained her Master of Law from the University of Calgary, after graduating with both a Bachelor of Law and a Barrister at Law in Nigeria. Orieji has been a volunteer lawyer with the Probono Law Alberta – Civil Claims Duty Counsel since 2015. She has also been an Advisor to the Board of Global Lawyers of Canada.

### **Benjamin Ayorech**

Benjamin has served in many capacities in a number of organizations in Edmonton including the Council of Canadians of African and Caribbean Heritage as Board Member and Chair, Chair of the Edmonton Police Commission, and Appeals Commissioner to the Appeals Commission for Alberta Workers' Compensation. His extensive board experience also includes the Immigration and Refugee Board of Canada and the Alberta Law Enforcement Review Board. He holds a Bachelor of Arts in Economics, Management & Administration from the University of Dar-es-Salaam in Tanzania, as well as a Management Studies Diploma from Grant MacEwan.

### **Andreea Bandol**

Andreea is a lawyer with a wide range of legal experience in both public and private sectors. She had a civil litigation and estate planning practice before spending seven years as Legal Counsel to the Court of Appeal, she worked closely with appellate judges in administrative, commercial, criminal, family, and other areas of law, primarily focusing on legal research and writing, drafting, and reviewing judges' drafts. She holds a law degree from the University of Alberta. Her involvement includes volunteering for Calgary Legal Guidance and for her children's soccer teams.

## **Tamara Bews**

Born in High River and raised on her family's ranch west of Longview, Tamara holds a Bachelor of Commerce (Finance) and a Bachelor of Laws from the University of Calgary, and a Qualified Mediator designation through the ADR Institute of Canada. Tamara has worked as a lawyer for over 25 years, in private practice and as in-house legal counsel for TransCanada Pipelines Limited, the Alberta Energy and Utilities Board, and Canadian Pacific Railway Company. She is a member of the Governance Board for the Calgary Rural Primary Care Network. Previously, she served as a board member of the Environmental Appeals Board and Public Lands Appeal Board. She enjoys spending recreational time out in the country where her family continues to farm and ranch in Foothills County.

## **Mary-Kay Brook KC**

Mary-Kay is a retired lawyer of 35 years whose practice was primarily in administrative, employment, and trade law. Before going into law, she worked in a wide variety of jobs including at a car wash, meat packing plant, and as a childcare therapist. As a lawyer she was General Counsel for the Alberta Liquor Control Board for 12 years before moving to a senior position at Alberta Justice. When Mary-Kay retired, she was a Director at Alberta Justice, leading a team of 25 lawyers. She has also served on many community and church boards and as a volunteer.

## **Guy Buchanan**

Guy worked for 21 years at Genstar Development Company in a variety of positions from Senior Design Engineer to Vice President of the Calgary region. In 1998, he founded Co-Star Consulting Ltd. which continues to provide land development advice and project management services to residential, commercial, institutional, and municipal clients. His community involvement includes being an Honorary Life Director of the Calgary Exhibition and Stampede, having volunteered for that organization for over 30 years, and board memberships for Calgary Hospital District No. 7 and the Calgary Planning Commission. He holds a degree in Civil Engineering from the University of Calgary.

## **Katherine Camarta**

Katherine is a retired Calgary lawyer who practised for over 35 years in the oil and gas, pipeline and electricity industries, as well as in private practice. She has considerable experience in corporate finance, securities regulation, energy and environmental regulation, administrative law and transactional corporate and commercial work. She is currently First Vice Chair of the Calgary Subdivision and Development Appeal Board,

where she has been a member since 2014. She sits as director of a registered charitable foundation promoting medical research. Katherine is a graduate of Western University in political science, Queen's University in law, and Mount Royal University in journalism.

### **Roxanne Carr**

Roxanne served for ten years as Mayor and Councillor of Strathcona County. During that time, she played a leadership role in the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board (EMRB). She was integral in the creation of the Regional Growth Plan which won Awards of Merit from both the Alberta Professional Planners Institute and the Canadian Institute of Planners. She was appointed as a member of the Municipal Government Board in 2018. Known for ensuring that both sides are heard, Roxanne brings her experience chairing municipal public hearings, Council and committee meetings. She holds a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Guelph.

### **Amit Chowdhury**

Amit is a lawyer based in Calgary with experience in both the private sector and government. During his time in private practice, he represented clients in litigation matters before the Provincial Court of Alberta, the Alberta Court of Queen's Bench and the Alberta Court of Appeal. As a federal public servant, he represented the current and former members of the Canadian military and the RCMP before the Veterans Review and Appeal Board. Amit holds a common law JD from the University of Ottawa. He speaks English, Bengali, Hindi and Urdu fluently, and is currently working on his French.

### **Nolan Crouse**

Nolan is a 30-year former senior executive within the lumber, pulp, paper and tissue industries in Canada and the United States. He also served ten years as the City of St. Albert Mayor, and five years as the Edmonton Metropolitan Regional Board Chair, an organization of 24 Mayors. Parallel to his working career, he coached hockey for 31 years including the Junior A Fort Saskatchewan Traders and was the first Head Coach and General Manager of the Brooks Bandits of the Alberta Junior Hockey League. Nolan holds a master's degree from Cape Breton University and is a NAIT Chemistry graduate. Nolan is currently a Management Consultant serving Albertans in a variety of leadership areas.

## **Jeffrey Dawson**

Jeffrey is an experienced businessperson with insight in how businesses deal with adjudicative bodies. Additionally, his 12 years as a municipal councillor have provided him experience in many facets of land and property rights and have taught him to listen actively, apply the applicable legislation in a fair and unbiased manner, and to provide sound judgement. With more than a decade of experience on several adjudicative bodies, he has honed his writing skills with well-reasoned decisions to help parties understand what evidence is relevant and how legislation applies to them.

## **Murray Dennis**

Murray was a real estate professional for over 45 years, beginning as an appraiser with Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation and eventually the Calgary Branch Program Appraiser for Lending Operations. He also spent 22 years with the City of Calgary where he occupied various positions within the Assessment Department before transitioning to being a land agent. Prior to retiring, he was an assessor for seven years with Rocky View County. Murray served in the Canadian Armed Forces Primary Reserve for 20 years.

## **Dennis Dey**

Dennis has been working with decision-makers in farm businesses, producer associations, agribusinesses and government for over 35 years, providing economic, strategic and financial analyses. He has completed research on a wide range of economic issues in agriculture, including the adoption of new crop production practices, risk management processes and investment analyses. He has also served on the Subdivision and Development Appeal Board of Kneehill County and is a member of the Central Alberta Regional Assessment Review Board. Dennis is graduate of the University of Alberta and holds a Bachelor of Commerce degree and a MSc. in Agriculture Economics.

## **Lynda Downey**

Lynda is a former senior manager with Alberta Municipal Affairs and has over 25 years of experience in areas of strategic policy and legislative development relating to property assessments, equalized assessment, grants in Lieu of property assessment program, and property taxation. She also has experience with consultation within highly diverse groups of stakeholders leading to policy recommendations to government, and extensive knowledge of the preparation, assessment and taxation of non-regulated and regulated assessments that include residential, non-residential and designated industrial properties.

## **Laura Dunham**

Laura was raised in Lethbridge, Grande Prairie and Calgary and spent many summers at her grandparents' farms. After obtaining a Bachelor of Arts (First Class Honours) and master's degree in Political Science from the University of Calgary, Laura obtained her LL.B. in 2002 and was awarded the University of Calgary Law School Silver Medal. She worked as a lawyer with the Federal Department of Justice providing legal advice to various federal departments and representing the Government of Canada in court, specializing in National Parks work, advising superintendents on land development issues and aboriginal land claims. In 2014, she joined the City of Edmonton where she was the Supervisor of the Expropriation Litigation Practice Group. Laura volunteers with the Consumer Debt Negotiation Project providing pro bono legal advice.

## **Lawrence Fleming**

Lawrence is a Barrister and Solicitor. He has practiced law as a civil and criminal litigator since becoming a member of the Law Society of Alberta in 1979. Lawrence obtained a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Alberta in 1975. Upon graduation, he was awarded the Stanley Fife Memorial Prize gold medal in history. He graduated from the Faculty of Law at the University of Alberta in 1978.

## **Kismet Fung**

After working as a lawyer since 1987, and with over 20 years of municipal law experience, with the City of Edmonton and the City of St Albert, Kismet is semi-retired. Prior to joining the City of Edmonton as corporate counsel, she worked with Lawsearch, an Alberta Law Foundation project specializing in online legal research. She continues to provide pro bono legal advice through the Edmonton Community Legal Centre.

## **Samantha Georgsen**

Born and raised on a turkey farm near Chestermere, Alberta, Samantha worked in the private sector and all three levels of government in the areas of environment and waste management, health care, K-12 education, and municipal governance. She also ran her own Communications and government relations practice and currently sits on the Board for the Alberta College of Medical Diagnostic and Therapeutic Technologists, the Government of Alberta's Citizens' Appeal Panel, and her local community association. She graduated from the University of Calgary with two degrees, one in Political Science and the other in Communications.

### **Donald Greenfield**

Don is a retired lawyer, having practised law in Calgary for over 43 years, 38 years of which were spent at Bennett Jones LLP. The focus of his practice was energy M&A, project development and operational and regulatory matters. Don has served in various volunteer roles with the Canadian Bar Association, the Canadian Energy Law Foundation, the Canadian Cancer Society and other organizations. He is currently a member of the board of directors of the Legacy Land Trust Society. Don taught courses for the University of Calgary, Mount Royal University, and the Canadian Energy Law Foundation. He is a native of Vancouver and a graduate of the University of British Columbia School of Law. Don was appointed Queen's Counsel in 2012.

### **Brenda Hisey**

Brenda is a Registered Professional Planner with over 30 years' experience in community planning and land administration. She is a Member of the Alberta Professional Planners Institute, Central Alberta Regional Subdivision & Development Appeal Board, and former director of the Alberta Development Officers Association. Brenda has previously been a member of the Edmonton Subdivision & Development Appeal Board, Canadian Institute of Planners and Society of Local Government Managers of Alberta. She holds certification in Local Authority Administration and currently volunteers as President of the Westlake Homeowners' Association.

### **Bryan Horrocks**

Bryan is Civil Engineer (retired) with 33 years of municipal administration experience. He served five years as a transportation planner and operations manager, five years as a project manager, six years as City Engineer and 17 years as City Manager, all for the City of Lethbridge. As a member of the former Municipal Government Board, he presided over 600+ property assessment complaint hearings involving a range of office, commercial, industrial and multi-family residential properties. He was also a panel member on Municipal Dispute hearings and contested Annexation hearings.

### **Wayne Jackson**

Wayne is a Registered Professional Planner with over 40 years of experience in urban and rural planning, resource development impact, planning legislation and community involvement with a focus on Northern Alberta municipalities and communities. Previously, he worked as a planning manager with Alberta Municipal Affairs and the Oil Sands Secretariat. Wayne has served as President of the Alberta Professional Planners Institute and represented Alberta, NWT and Nunavut on the Canadian Institute of

Planners National Council. He holds a B.A from Sir George Williams (now Concordia) University in Montreal, and an M.A. in Geography from the University of Alberta.

### **Barbara L. Johnston**

Barbara is a lawyer and a Chartered Professional Accountant, with expertise in banking/commercial practice-areas spanning risk management, debt financing, credit card services, asset acquisition and divestiture and retail product network transactions. She also has experience with hearings and mediation with an adjudicative tribunal, providing legal and educational services to numerous client groups as in-house legal counsel to a multinational corporation, as well as auditing and financial statement preparation for small to medium sized entities for a large public accounting firm. She holds a Bachelor of Commerce degree from the University of Calgary, and an LL.B. from the University of Alberta.

### **William (Bill) Johnston**

Bill is a professional engineer (retired), former reservoir engineer in the oil industry, and seasoned executive with over twenty years of business experience. He has twenty years of municipal government experience as a former Director of Finance and Administration, Director of Public Works and Utilities and Director of Disaster Services. He has also assisted two First Nations Corporations develop a 600-acre freehold property in the Cold Lake region. Bill serves as the Director and Treasurer of the Mountain View Emergency Shelter Society and Olds Kiwanis Performing Arts Society.

### **Jack Jones**

Jack is a civil engineer and former general contracting business owner. He has over 35 years of experience managing construction projects throughout Western Canada, the Northwest Territories, and the U.S, and more than 20 years of experience as a construction business owner. Jack has served as a member and Chair on the Edmonton Assessment Review Board and currently serves on the Edmonton Subdivision and Development Appeal Board and as a public member of the Council of the Alberta Association of Forest Management Professionals.

### **Mark Kavanagh**

Mark is an environmental professional with over 30 years of consulting, regulatory and quasi-judicial experience. He is, former advisor to Alberta's energy regulator (ERCB, EUB) and a co-founder of an engineering consultancy that provided a wide range of environmental services throughout Canada and abroad. As Senior Environmental

Scientist for the Alberta Utilities Commission, he served as staff environmental expert for some of Alberta's largest facility application hearings. He provided expert advice to the Commission and helped write decision reports, facility development approvals and AUC Rules. In his community, Mark is a volunteer, for several organizations, and is president of FYRE, Canada, a Calgary-based charity.

### **Kevin P. Kelly**

Kevin is a lawyer in Calgary and has practiced extensively in the areas of insurance, real estate, estate planning and administration, and dispute resolution. He has served on several administrative tribunals as Chair and a panel member and is also on the Board of Directors for the Sport Dispute Resolution Centre of Canada. Kevin holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree from the University of Victoria, and a Law Degree from Cardiff Law School.

### **Steven Kelly**

Steven is a Chemical Engineer with 40 years of energy industry expertise, including refinery operations and planning, consulting, and most recently as a senior regulator. He started his career with Shell Canada, before joining Purvin & Gertz Inc., an independent energy consulting firm that provided strategic, commercial, and technical advice to international clients. In 2005 he assumed management of their Canadian operations, eventually becoming Director. He was appointed a permanent Member of the National Energy Board from 2015 through 2019. Steven obtained his undergraduate degree and a Master of Engineering from McMaster University, as well as a Master of Business Administration from the University of Calgary.

### **Al Kemmere**

Al grew up on the family farm in both Langley B.C. and in Mountain View County (MVC), later transitioning into the local government when he was elected to Mountain View County Council where he served both as a councillor and reeve until 2021. During this time, he served on most committees but most notably as chair of the MVC Municipal Planning Commission for six years, as a member of the MVC Subdivision Appeal Boards, even representing the county on seven successful annexation agreements. He joined the Rural Municipalities of Alberta's Board of Directors in 2010, becoming president four years later.



## **Heesung Kim**

Heesung is an Architect and businessperson with interests in the real estate and hospitality sectors. She has experience in humanitarian work promoting safe drinking water projects in developing countries. Heesung is a member of Calgary Alpha House Society Board of Directors, former Director and Chair of Victoria Crossing BRZ (now Victoria Park BIA), and former member of the Calgary Planning Commission and Calgary Development Appeal Board.

## **Gregory Krischke**

Gregory is a consultant specializing in municipal planning and development, training, and economic development. He was a Municipal Councillor and Mayor of the City of Leduc for 22 years, has extensive board experience and solid knowledge of assessment, land use, planning and development. He has received certified director designation from the Rotman School of Business, Corporate Directors program and currently sits as Chair or board member of several not-for-profit and private organizations.

## **Walter Krysinski**

An Assessor for over 30 years, Walter has extensive experience in property appraisal, municipal taxation, systems need analyses and development, property inventory analyses, and hands-on property valuation. His eight years as appointed member of the former Municipal Government Board have provided him with a solid background in the functions and intricacies of quasi-judicial Boards. He is formerly a Land Agent within the City of Calgary's Acquisitions Division and was responsible for the negotiation and acquisition of property for civic purposes. Walter is a fully accredited member of both the Alberta Assessors Association, and the International Association of Assessing Officers.

## **Line Lacasse**

Ms. Lacasse is a lawyer with over 25 years' experience advising clients on regulatory, administrative, indigenous, and environmental matters. She has a civil law degree from the University of Montreal and a common law degree from McGill University. Ms. Lacasse worked in private practice focusing on aboriginal and environmental matters, followed by several years as Board counsel for the Energy and Utilities Board, and as in-house counsel for a large resource development company. She has represented clients in court cases and regulatory hearings, developed, negotiated, and implemented agreements, participated in energy projects development, assessment and implementation, and was involved in developing corporate strategies and policies in

Alberta, Quebec, and British Columbia. In 2017, Ms. Lacasse was appointed as a Board member of the Alberta Land and Property Rights Tribunal. Ms. Lacasse was appointed as a member of the Environmental Appeals Board on November 26, 2018 and is cross-appointed to the Public Lands Appeal Board. Ms. Lacasse is particularly interested in mediation and has completed several formations on mediation with the program on mediation at Harvard law school, the University of Calgary, and the ADR Institute of Alberta.

### **Larry Loven**

Larry is a management consultant for over 30 years, he specializes in technology strategy and government affairs. Larry is licensed to trade in all four sectors of real estate (residential, rural, commercial and property management). In 2010, he was appointed to the Municipal Government Board. Prior to that, he served for four years on the City of Edmonton Subdivision and Development Appeal Board. He has also served on other provincial quasi-judicial boards in Alberta under the Health Professions Act, the Mental Health Review Panel and the Hospital Privileges Review Board. He is a graduate of the University of Calgary (B.Sc.) and Carleton University's School of Industrial Design (B.I.D.). Most recently, he completed an LL.M (Dispute Resolution) from the Osgoode School of Law at York University.

### **Patricia MacKenzie**

Patricia has worked as a high school teacher and city of Edmonton councilor. She is the owner of a consulting business, servicing government agencies and boards. She has broad board experience spanning both not-for-profit and public organizations. Patricia holds a Bachelor of Education from the University of Saskatchewan. Patricia has served on a number of boards including AUMA (Alberta Municipalities, President), Federation of Canadian Municipalities, Law Enforcement Review board, Alberta Blue Cross, Home Trust, Habitat for Humanity Edmonton, Alzheimer's Society of Alberta and NWT, and the University of Alberta Senate.

### **Terri Mann**

Terri is a retired lawyer, having practised primarily in civil litigation and estate work. Following retirement from law, Terri managed a complex familial estate while serving on the Assessment Review Board for the City of Edmonton. In the capacity of Member and Vice-Chair, Terri presided over assessment complaint hearings involving residential and commercial properties. Subsequently, in the capacity of Chair, Terri facilitated general administration of the Board, and oversaw the professional development of the members. Thereafter, Terri instructed business law with the Alberta School of Business at the University of Alberta, and then served, concurrently, on the Appeals Commission

for the Worker's Compensation Board and the Surface Rights Board (now LPRT). Terri holds an BCom from the University of Alberta, an LL.B from the University of Western Ontario and a Diploma, Honours standing, from the Canadian Securities Institute. In spare time, Terri is involved in community volunteer opportunities, and enjoys tennis.

### **Paul Mazumdar**

Paul has practised as a consultant in the private sector since retiring from the City of Calgary where he was in a senior position with the Planning Department. He has served as a member on the City of Calgary's Development and Subdivision Appeal Board, Alberta Housing Co-operative, and the Calgary Regional Arts Foundation. He holds graduate degrees in architecture and urban planning, and executive diplomas in Planning Law, Mediation & Conflict Resolution, and certificates on Principles of Administrative Justice and Decision Making.

### **Barbara McNeil**

Barbara is a Chartered Mediator and adjudicator. As an agrologist in the mid 1980's, and actively involved on the family ranch, she was appointed to the Federal Farm Debt Mediation Board, during which time she's worked with Albertans to reach resolution on complex and often controversial issues in municipal, regulatory, and land management matters. She has served as a Hearing Commissioner for the Alberta Energy Regulator and serves as Past President of the Alternative Dispute Resolution Institute of Alberta. Barbara holds a Master of Public Administration, and a Bachelor of Science in Agriculture. She also holds certificates in Conflict Resolution and Administrative Justice.

### **Timothy Meagher**

Timothy was a civil litigation lawyer for thirty years, appearing before all levels of Court in Alberta and at the Supreme Court of Canada. He was also appointed as an inquiry officer on several occasions by the Government of Alberta to conduct inquiries in accordance with the Expropriation Act of Alberta and has broad experience appearing before administrative tribunals on behalf of professional associations. Timothy retired from practice in 2019 but he volunteers with Pro Bono Law Alberta, providing free legal advice to the public through the KB Amicus Court Assistance Program.

### **Janet Mitchell**

Janet is a management consultant who works with municipalities to develop cost of service studies for public utilities in order to help set utility rates. Janet has been the treasurer for a parent foundation. She is a past member of the Alberta Institutes of

Chartered Professional Accountants Complaint and Inquiry Committee. Janet is a Chartered Professional Accountant and Chartered Business Valuator. Janet holds a Masters in Business Administration from Athabasca University and a Bachelor of Commerce from the University of Alberta.

### **Laurie Mozeson**

Laurie was a Prosecutor (now retired) with both the Federal and Alberta Departments of Justice. In 1991, she was appointed to the Provincial Court of Alberta, to the newly formed Traffic Court Division as a Sitting Justice of the Peace (Commissioner), and was subsequently appointed as a Citizenship Judge for Edmonton, Northern Alberta and the Northwest Territories. During the course of her career, she initiated and taught various law related courses and co-authored "A Guide to Administrative Law". Laurie has always been involved in volunteer leadership and community Service. She received her LL.B. from the University of Alberta.

### **Dierdre Mullen**

Dierdre was a REALTOR in Ontario and Alberta for 12 years, during which time she managed an office of 30 REALTORS, ran a successful business and was involved in Organized Real Estate with the Durham Region Association of REALTORS as president for two years. Always involved in her community, she was appointed to the Municipal Government Board, Chair of the Okotoks Assessment Review Board (2016), the High River Assessment Review Board (2018), and recently the Consumer Services Appeal Board (2019). She was an active disaster management volunteer at the Canadian Red Cross from 1999 to 2013.

### **Alex Nagy**

Alex's diverse experience includes department and program management, project management, engineering, strategic planning, community planning and development, board governance, and quasi-judicial appeals. He holds a Civil Engineering degree from the University of Alberta. Alex spent the majority of his career in the private sector plus nine years in the public sector, providing consulting services to a diverse range of clients including large to small municipalities, private land development companies, provincial and federal governments and industrial and oil companies. Presently, he is also a member of the City of Edmonton Subdivision and Development Appeal Board and a Public Member of the Supply Chain Canada Alberta Institute Board of Directors.

## **Gary Newcombe**

Gary's career in the energy and utilities industry spanned over 40 years. He served in various management-level positions in ATCO Group, before joining Direct Energy's executive team in Alberta and was Instrumental in growing Direct Energy's Alberta business from an unknown start-up to the largest energy retailer and respected industry participant. With extensive experience and expertise in regulatory theory, policy and practice, and strategic & business planning, Gary specialized in applying that experience to commercial activities in an environment with a regulated/non-regulated interface. He is a graduate of the University of Alberta in Civil Engineering.

## **Mark Oberg**

Mark is a former County Manager who was previously a County Councillor, Town Manager, and Rural Municipalities of Alberta Director (formerly AAMDC), with experience serving on numerous municipal government related boards and committees. He knows from many years of dealing with conflict, that behind every dispute there are people who need a knowledgeable, calm, and unbiased panel of decision makers to treat each party's perspective with respect, and make a fair decision based on legislation. His training, background and demeanor make him a capable panel member. Mark has a National Advanced Certificate in Local Authority Administration (Level 2).

## **Ijeoma Ofodile**

Ijemoa is Legal Counsel, ISO rules and Alberta Reliability Standards with the Alberta Electric System Operator (AESO). Prior to joining the AESO in May 2019, Ije worked in the Oil and Gas in Nigeria, concentrating in commercial contracts and procurement. Ije has worked in various land and property related matters with her extensive experience in the energy industry. Upon relocating to Canada, she articulated with Ford Nelson Lawyers in Calgary, focusing on family law, personal injury law and wills and estate law equipping her with a diverse legal experience. She holds a Bachelor of Arts, double majoring in Sociology and Law & Society from York University, Toronto and a Post graduate degree in Law from the University of Law in the UK. Ije is also called to the Nigerian bar and is passionate about alternative dispute resolution. She is a member of the Nigerian institute of chartered mediators and arbitrators.

## **Megan Lee Perry**

Megan obtained both her Bachelor of Education with distinction and her Juris Doctor from the University of Alberta. Megan is currently a partner at Perry Law LLP, where she assists agricultural clients with a wide variety of legal issues pertaining to land, including buying, and selling farmland, succession planning for farming families, and

dealing with surface leases that apply to farmland. She has served as the Chief Tribune for the University of Alberta Discipline, Interpretation, and Enforcement Board. Megan has extensive volunteer work including working with the Legislative Review Committee for the Alberta Branch of the Canadian Bar Association.

### **Debi Piecowye**

Debi is a lawyer with extensive experience in administrative and municipal law with a focus on transportation, land, and financial issues. She was a frequent presenter at Canadian Bar Association seminars and has authored a paper entitled “Expropriation in Alberta” for the Alberta Legal Education Society. She has served as a Board Member on several administrative tribunals as Chair and a panel member, and most recently, she was also appointed to the Appeals Committee of the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board. Debi obtained both her Master of Business Administration and her Bachelor of Laws with distinction from the University of Alberta.

### **Donald Roberts**

Donald is currently a licensed Real Estate Broker, qualified in Residential, Commercial, and Rural properties and in Property Management. He is a retired senior executive with experience in a utility corporation, an international accounting and consulting firm, and a major regional financial institution, including being the practice leader for Agri-business for PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP. Donald has also served his local community on numerous public boards including as Chairman of a Subdivision and Development Appeal Board and the Planning Commission. He graduated from the George Morris Centre Executive Development Program.

### **Romeo O. Rojas**

A Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, Romeo is an independent arbitrator based in Calgary. Prior to starting his own arbitration practice, Romeo was in the Canadian Foreign Service and practiced law for over a decade with two leading Calgary firms focusing on dispute resolution in the energy sector. Romeo is active in the Canadian arbitration community and teaches commercial arbitration law at the University of Calgary. Romeo holds a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Alberta, a Juris Doctor from the University of British Columbia, and a Master of Laws from the University of Calgary.

## **Phil Rowland**

Phil is a fourth-generation farmer/rancher. He co-owns and manages a farm at Mazeppa and ranch at Longview. With several Oil and Gas facilities, pipelines and power lines on his Agriculture operation, he has gained valuable insight into negotiation and the relationship between the surface landowner and the mineral owner/operator. Prior to his dedication to full time farming/ranching, Phil worked extensively in the “oil patch” mostly on new construction of pipelines and facilities, performing non-destructive testing and inspection in Canada and Australia. Together with a partner, he formed the Okotoks Flight Center in 1986, and belongs to several associations and committees.

## **Barbara Samuels**

Barbara was a Calgary public school educator and author of prescribed social studies textbooks for 11 years and she spent 17 years as Director of Planning at the University of Calgary. She also served as the founding Executive Director of The Canadian Centre for Learning Systems, a Federal Centre of Excellence. She recently retired from her consultancy business where she advised senior government, officials, regulators, and private corporations about the importance of meaningful public consultation and dispute resolution in achieving both regulatory permit and community permission for effective resource development. Barbara's credentials include a Bachelor of Science, a Master of Education, and a PhD.

## **Glenn Selland**

Glenn is a highly qualified land use, environmental, regulatory, and quasi-judicial professional with progressive leadership experience within various environmental agencies such as the Surface Rights Board, Land Compensation Board and Natural Resources Board. Glenn added to his experience in the resolution of sensitive and controversial issues in natural resources with coursework at Grant MacEwan University in paralegal studies and recently completed a Certificate in Tribunal Administrative Justice issued by the Foundation of Administrative Justice®. His well-developed interpersonal and analytical skills along with comfort in working in challenging and stressful environments lead to effective decision making in a quasi-judicial process.

## **Gail Sokolan**

Gail is a retired professional planner with over 25 years of public and private sector experience, working for both urban and rural municipalities and as a private sector consultant. She has worked in both the development and implementation of policy in relation to statutory plan preparation, subdivision, annexation, intermunicipal issues and affordable housing, including representing municipalities before councils, committees,

and quasi-judicial boards. During her career, Gail was an active volunteer for the Alberta Professional Planners institute (APPI). She holds Bachelor of Science from the University of Alberta, and an MBA from the University of Calgary.

### **Sheldon Steinke**

Sheldon was a Chief Administration Officer of Rural, Urban and Special Municipalities, and a VP of the Society of Local Government Managers. He was a Reserve Officer in the Canadian Armed Forces and Commanded a Peace Keeping Force overseas, an Artillery Field Battery Commander and an Air Defense Artillery Regiment Commander with the Canadian Armed Forces Command and Staff College, United States Army Command and Staff College, and Commandant of Military Training Assistance Program overseas. He holds a Diploma in Business Administration and is a Graduate of the Canadian Armed Forces Command and Staff College.

### **Michael J. Swanson KC**

Michael worked as a lawyer in private practice in Calgary and southern Alberta, specializing in civil and estate litigation, agricultural law, and rural property law. He is a past member of the Board of Directors of the Canadian Centre for Male Survivors (cc4ms) and currently serves as Chair of the Alberta Consumer Services Appeal Board. He is also active in his church and volunteers for the Calgary Food Bank's annual city-wide food drive. Michael holds a BA and an LLB from the University of Alberta, an LLM from the University of Calgary, and was appointed Queen's Counsel in 2006.

### **Judy Archie Symes**

Judy Archie previously served 18 years as a member of the City of Leduc Council. Judy has proven skills and work experience as an elected official in municipal property taxation, land subdivision appeals in urban municipalities. Judy has been applauded for her ability to listen to both sides with impartiality and respect and is known for ensuring that both sides are heard. Judy also set at the pleasure of the Alberta Government as a public member of the Psychiatric Nurses Association of Alberta from about 1998 – 2004.

### **Kavita Thind**

Kavita has extensive experience in the land development industry, with over 15 years focusing on long range planning, zoning and subdivision. She is an independent consultant and a Board Member of the City of Edmonton's Subdivision and



Development Appeal Board. Kavita holds a Bachelor of Applied Science with a specialization in Civil Engineering from the University of Alberta.

### **David Thomas**

David practiced Law in Drayton Valley for 24 years and was a Town Councillor for the last eight years of that time. He later acquired land in Parkland County and started a modest cow-calf operation, which was later moved to Lamont County where he resides today. He was previously appointed to the Surface Rights Board, Land Compensation Board and Municipal Government Board. He was a director of the Battle River Power Corporation, which provides electricity to rural communities. He has been Chair of the Lamont County Subdivision and Development Appeal Board since 2015. He holds a Bachelor of Arts, a Bachelor of Education and an LLB.

### **Nick Tywoniuk**

Dr. Tywoniuk is a Civil Engineer with extensive dispute resolution experience, operating his own consulting business that provides environmental, engineering, mediation, and arbitration services to both private and public sector agencies. He has worked with Environment Canada, Public Works, and Government Services Canada and internationally, in Eastern Europe and Pacific Rim countries. He is a chartered arbitrator and chartered mediator and is a member of the ADR Institute of Alberta and the ADR Institute of Canada. The Alberta Law Society appointed him as a public adjudicator for its conduct hearings. He has a Ph.D. in Civil Engineering (Water Resources).

### **Michael Vercillo**

Michael is a Chartered Professional Accountant (CPA, CMA) with more than 25 years of experience in both health care and housing administration and financial and managerial accounting. He is a former member of the City of Lethbridge Assessment Review Board and has an equivalent number of years serving within agencies, boards and commissions. Michael obtained his Bachelor of Arts and Science Degree from the University of Lethbridge.

### **Ray Watkins**

Ray is a land developer and land use planner with extensive experience in the private and public sector province wide. He obtained a Bachelor of Arts in Geography in Urban Studies from the University of Windsor. Ray has also taken other courses in Local Government through the University of Alberta, as well as the Environmental Services Association of Alberta and the Alberta Construction Safety Association. He has been a

City Councillor with the City of St. Albert and currently sits as the Board Chair for FireSmart Alberta. Ray was also a past Chair and Board Member on the City of Edmonton Subdivision and Development Appeal Board.

### **Miles Weatherall**

Miles spent 38 years with the Alberta Justice before pivoting into the dynamic world of administrative law, using his many years of presiding over quasi-judicial proceedings, as a Justice of the Peace to quickly make this transition. He has gained extensive experience, over the past few years, as a presiding officer for administrative tribunals conducting hearings and writing decisions. He is currently a member of the Alberta Mental Health Review Panel, and an Appeals Commissioner for Alberta Workers' Compensation. Miles holds a Bachelor of Administration degree focusing in public administration.

### **Ivan Weleschuk**

Raised on a central Alberta farm, Ivan continues to own and manage farmland. He is an accredited appraiser, focusing on rural and commercial properties, a licensed Land Agent and formerly instructed the on-line Land Agent Licensing course through Olds College. Ivan has appeared as an expert witness in valuation before both the former Surface Rights Board and Land Compensation Board. He is involved in several community organizations and charitable foundations in Calgary. He holds a Bachelor of Science in Agriculture from the University of Alberta and a Master of Economics from the University of Calgary.

### **Earl Williams**

Earl has over 35 of years of experience in human resources, corporate and commercial real estate, including a leadership role in a management consulting practice focused on real estate and public sector projects. He has led many assignments which required building consensus among multiple stakeholder groups representing divergent interests and mandates. His assignments have also included public engagement to address contentious planning, land use, development, permitting, and environmental issues. He has also been an active member of several Boards including the Board of Hospice Calgary (Vice-Chair) and Alberta Mental Health Review Panel. Earl holds a Master of Science in Psychology.

## **Harold Williams**

Harold is a retired Professional Property Assessor with over 30 years of experience in property assessment, beginning in Ft. Mc Murray as a City Assessor, before joining Municipal Affairs Assessment Services, holding such positions, as District Assessor, Regional Assessment Manager, Provincial Director of Linear Assessment with responsibility for provincial assessment of pipelines, power systems and oil and gas wells, and eventually Executive Director. Harold also served as Acting Assistant Deputy Minister with the Ministry of Municipal Affairs, with responsibilities in overseeing legislation governing municipalities as well as municipal grants programs and assessment services.

## **Michelle Williamson**

Michelle is a lawyer with over 30 years of experience in municipal, environmental, and related property and energy law and has worked in private practice, local government and the Government of Alberta. She is a University of Alberta grad with a Bachelor of Commerce degree as well. Michelle has worked extensively with numerous boards including the Environmental Appeals Board, Public Land Appeals Board and the then Municipal Government Board. She has extensive administrative law experience advising and training tribunal members, and statutory decision makers, advocating before them and engaging in mediation as well as assisting with the development of administrative programs and procedures. Her career has focused on a wide variety of agricultural and industrial activities that affect land and property in Alberta, municipal assessment and land use, and natural resource regulatory systems.

## **Dennis Woolsey**

Dennis worked for Alberta Municipal affairs for over 30 years, most of his professional career. The last 18 of his career as the Director of the Municipal Government Board. He has been a member of the Land and Property Rights Tribunal and its predecessor boards since 2015. He volunteers for St Matthews Lutheran Church and Lutheran Church Canada and is the Director of Emergency Management for the Summer Village of Silver Sands. Dennis holds a Bachelor of Arts in Recreation from the University of Alberta.

## **Peter C. Yackulic**

Peter is a Registered Professional Planner, with over 30 years of experience in municipal development projects. Since his retirement from the Town of Whitecourt, he has undertaken planning projects in the private and public sectors, with a focus on rural communities. He is a past board member of the Alberta Professional Planning Institute.

His life experiences as a pilot, volunteer firefighter, and outdoor recreationist have influenced him to rely heavily on information-based decision-making processes. Living a short portage from the North Saskatchewan River allows him to enjoy Alberta's natural environment and appreciate the foresight of past generations.

### **Lana Yakimchuk**

Lana has worked in most jurisdictions of the LPRT and continues to chair hearings, facilitate pre-hearing conferences, and mentor members of the LPRT who are developing their skills. She has also been a Panel member and chair with Child Youth and Family Enhancement and AISH. Lana was a teacher and farmer who has turned most of the farming duties over to her family. She was a councillor in Mountain View County, Alberta for two terms, where she participated fully in most aspects of governance including Municipal Planning Commission, Subdivision and Development Board, Seniors' Housing Commission, and Ambulance Commission, among others. Lana's community involvement includes Olds Hospice Committee, Cremona Library, "Paint the Barn Red" (a heritage book project) and the Cremona Community Engagement site.

### **Ike Zacharopoulos**

Ike is a property assessment professional, with both public and private sector experience, including the government of Alberta, a large national railway corporation, and an international real estate service company. He has board experience with municipal and provincial organizations. He has held memberships with the Canadian Property Tax Association and the Institute for Professionals in Taxation.

### **Jerry Zezulka**

Raised in Lethbridge, Alberta, Jerry began his property assessment career with a consulting firm in Calgary. He then moved to Canada Mortgage and Housing, where he spent almost two years before being transferred to Lethbridge as head of the appraisal department and later moving to Halifax as assistant head of the Atlantic region appraisal division. He eventually moved back to Lethbridge and started his own appraisal firm, before relocating to Calgary where he spent 12 years as a commercial real estate appraiser and consultant.