

What's New at Pallett Valo LLP

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Without a doubt, 2010 was one of the most eventful years for Pallett Valo LLP in recent memory. We've brought on several talented new lawyers, seen our firm members win some exciting awards, and received media coverage in national outlets including the *National Post*, the *Globe and Mail* and *Maclean's*. Here are some of the highlights:

New Managing Partner



Anne Kennedy has taken on the role of the firm's new Managing Partner as of January 1, 2011.

New Director of Knowledge Management



Helen Ferrigan has joined the firm in the key role of Director of Knowledge Management. Helen previously practiced law at a leading national law firm with a focus on corporate taxation and dispute resolution. As a result of Helen's practical legal experience, she is very skilled at creating detailed research memoranda, providing general research advice and preparing legal opinions and written advocacy.

Helen is responsible for developing strategies and initiatives that facilitate knowledge capture, organization and sharing, such as the firm's precedent system and research bank for more cost-effective and efficient delivery of client services.

New Commercial Litigation Lawyer



Marc Whiteley has become a member of the Commercial Litigation Practice.

Marc joined the firm after serving a year in a judicial clerkship with the office of the Chief Justice at the Ontario Superior Court.

New Labour & Employment Lawyer



Jeffrey Percival has become a member of the firm's Labour & Employment Practice, joining us from the Toronto offices of a national law firm. Jeffrey's experience includes advising management on diverse labour and employment matters such as collective bargaining, grievance adjudication, WSIB claims, and complaints under the *Ontario Human Rights Code*.

In addition to an extensive history with a variety of commercial and civil litigation matters, Jeffrey is fluently bilingual in English and French and holds a Master of Laws degree in Securities Law.

New Wills, Estates & Trusts Lawyer



Lisa Sticht-Maksymec has joined the Firm's Wills, Estates & Trusts Practice. No stranger to the Region of Peel, Lisa practiced in the areas of Estate Administration and Estate Litigation at another major Peel firm prior to joining Pallett Valo LLP.

Lisa takes the time to understand each client's unique circumstances, both when developing an estate plan and also when exploring the legal and practical solutions to contentious estate matters.

New Commercial Litigation Lawyer



Ted Evangelidis has joined the firm's Commercial Litigation Practice after practicing at a leading Toronto boutique law firm. Ted has substantial expertise in litigating real estate and land development disputes, mortgage and title fraud matters, mortgage recovery actions, contractual disputes,

shareholder disputes, professional negligence matters relating to the defence of architects and engineers, matters relating to asset and debt recovery, commercial tenancy issues, product liability actions, defamation cases as well as extraordinary relief-injunctive proceedings.

Ted also has expertise in corporate and securities litigation, representing clients before securities regulators and other government agencies. In addition, he handles negligence claims against investment advisors and acts in matters relating to disputes in the retail investment industry in both the regulatory and civil context.

The Bonnie Yagar Award for Outstanding Volunteerism



Community Living Mississauga created The Bonnie Yagar Award for Outstanding Volunteerism, in honour of our Wills, Estates & Trusts Practice Group Head. Bonnie was the first recipient of the award named in her honour.

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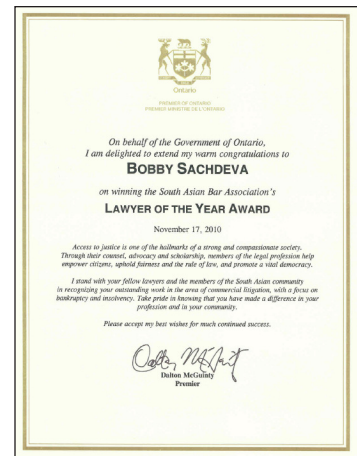


For the sixth consecutive year, Anna Esposito, certified by the Law Society of Upper Canada as a Specialist in Construction Law, has been selected by her peers for inclusion in The Best Lawyers in Canada® in the field of Construction Litigation.

SABA Toronto Lawyer of the Year



Bobby Sachdeva was named Lawyer of the Year (Male) by the South Asian Bar Association of Toronto.



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