

### THE 18<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL

## Church & Charity Law™ Seminar

Thursday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2011

### "RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN THE LAW"

### **WELCOME**

Welcome to the 2011 Annual *Church & Charity Law*™ Seminar, which is designed to assist churches and charities in understanding developing trends in the law in order to reduce unnecessary exposure to legal liability. Although the topics presented are directed at churches and charities, many aspects of the presentations will also be of interest to not-for-profit organizations.

The Annual Church & Charity Law™ Seminar, held every year since 1994, is presented by Carters Professional Corporation (Carters), a law firm experienced in advising churches, charities and not-for-profit organizations across Canada, as well as internationally. The firm is assisted by various expert guest speakers this year.

### **CHECK-IN**

If you have <u>REGISTERED AND PAID</u> the registration fee, please obtain your name tag and handout package at the "Information Centre" on the main level and then help yourself to complimentary coffee and muffins in the Gym.

If you <u>NEED TO PAY</u> the registration fee, please proceed to the "UNPAID AND NEW REGISTRATION" desk as you enter the building. The registration fee can be paid by cash or cheque payable to *Carters Professional Corporation*. Please obtain a handout package from one of our greeters for more information.

### LUNCH

While complimentary coffee is provided throughout the day and muffins in the morning, lunch is not included unless shown on your name tag. Our caterer will have assorted sandwiches, vegetables and dip, assorted cookies, fruit, coffee, tea and juice for those that have purchased tickets. The Church has requested that **food and beverages** be consumed only in the Gym, Foyers and overflow areas, **not** in the Auditorium.

### RESOURCE MATERIALS

Included in this handout package are copies of today's presentation materials. These materials, along with numerous other articles, seminar materials, and newsletters of interest to churches and religious charities, including back issues of *Charity Law Bulletins*, *Church Law Bulletins*, and *Charity Law Updates* are available free of charge at our websites of <a href="www.charitylaw.ca">www.charitylaw.ca</a>, <a href="www.charitylaw.ca">www.charitylaw.ca</a>, <a href="www.charitylaw.ca">www.charitylaw.ca</a>, <a href="www.charitylaw.ca">www.charitylaw.ca</a>, <a href="www.charitylaw.ca">www.charitylaw.ca</a>, <a href="www.charitylaw.ca">www.charitylaw.ca</a>, <a href="www.charitylaw.ca">and www.carters.ca</a>. A few select copies of *Church Law* and *Charity Law Bulletins* are on display at the Carters booth in the entrance Foyer.

As well, approximately 500 copies of the 2011 Legal Risk Management Checklist for Charities are available free of charge at our resource table (one per person). The checklist will also be posted on our website at www.carters.ca/pub/checklst/charity.pdf.

### **CHARITY LAW UPDATE**

If you did not include your email address with your registration form and would like to be added to our free e-mail distribution list of the monthly newsletter "Charity Law Update", please add you're your name and e-mail address to our Sign-Up List at our booth in the entrance Foyer.

### **QUESTION PERIOD**

Questions are encouraged and will be answered at the end of both the morning and afternoon sessions. A question sheet is provided at the back of this handout and should be left at the front podium in the Auditorium.

### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

We gratefully acknowledge and thank the pastors, leadership, and congregation of the **Portico Community Church** for the use of their facilities. We would like to also acknowledge and thank Cathy Hawara and Ken Hall for their contributions as guest speakers at this year's seminar. All speakers have freely volunteered their time for this event.

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### **AGENDA**

7:45 a.m.	Check-In (Coffee, Tea, Juice and Muffins provided)	
8:30 a.m.	Opening Remarks and National Anthem	
8:40 a.m.	Essential Charity Law Update	Esther S.J. Oh
9:10 a.m.	Overview of Continuing Under the CNCA and ONCA	Theresa L.M. Man
9:40 a.m.	Complying with CRA's New Fundraising Guidance (Revised 2011)	Terrance S. Carter
10:10 a.m.	Morning Break (Coffee and tea provided)	
10:35 a.m.	Governance and Other Issues From the Budget Affecting Churches and Charities	Karen J. Cooper
11:05 a.m.	Social Media: An Emerging Issue In The Workplace for Churches and Charities	Barry W. Kwasniewski
11:30 a.m.	Foreign Activities: How to Get Ready for an Audit	Jacqueline M. Demczur
12:00 pm	Question Period	
12:10 p.m.	Lunch Break	
1:05 p.m.	Protecting People Worldwide: Risk and Insurance for Missions, Relief and Development Organizations	Kenneth A. Hall
1:35 p.m.	Director and Officer Liability Issues for Churches and Charities	Ryan M. Prendergast
2:05 p.m.	Political Activities: What Churches and Charities Can and Cannot Do	Jennifer M. Leddy
2:35 p.m.	CRA Update, including "Keeping on the Right Side of CRA"	Cathy Hawara
3:10 p.m.	Question Period	
3:30 p.m.	Program Ends	

Please see **Speaker Biographies** on the following pages.

Please take a moment to complete the **Evaluation Form** included at the back of this handout to help us make the next Annual Church & Charity Law<sup>TM</sup> Seminar even better.

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#### **SEMINAR HOSTS**

**Carters Professional Corporation** is a law firm with expertise in the area of church, charity and not-for-profit law and is committed to assisting clients in avoiding legal problems before they occur through effective legal risk management advice, including assistance with:

- Anti-terrorism Policy Statements
- Charity Audits
- Charitable Foundations (Public and Private)
- Charitable Organizations
- Charitable Registrations
- Charitable Trusts
- Church Discipline Procedures
- Church Incorporation
- Corporate Record Maintenance
- Corporate Restructuring for Charities
- Director and Officer Liability
- Dispute Resolution
- Dissolution and Wind-Up of Charities
- Domain Name Management
- Ecological Gifts
- Employment Issues for Charities
- Endowment Agreements
- Foreign Charities Commencing Operations in Canada
- Fundraising and Gift Planning
- Gift Acceptance Policies

- Human Rights Litigation
- Incorporation and Organization of Charities and Not-for-Profits
- Insurance Issues for Charities and Not-for Profit Organizations
- Interim Sanctions
- International Strategic Planning and Operations
- International Trade-mark Licensing
- Investment Policies for Charities
- Legal Risk Management Assessments
- Litigation Counsel for Charities
- Marriage Office Clergy Registration
- Multiple Corporate Structures
- National and International Structures
- Privacy Policies and Audits
- Religious Denominational Structures
- Sexual Abuse Policies
- Special Incorporating Legislation for Charities
- Tax Compliance for Charities
- Tax Opinions and Appeals
- Trade-mark and Copyright Protection and Registration

### PROTECTION FROM REGULATORY OFFENCES FOR CHURCHES AND CHARITIES

Churches and charities often face significant liability and financial challenges due to increasing enforcement of federal and provincial regulatory legislation dealing with such matters as water, working conditions and environmental issues. Carters is able to provide advice and assistance at all stages from an initial investigation through to a full defence at a trial. For more information, contact Bruce Long at Carters (1-877-942-0001 x404).

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- Canada Revenue Agency, <u>www.cra.qc.ca/charities</u>
- Canadian Council of Christian Charities, <u>www.cccc.org</u>
- Christian Legal Fellowship, <u>www.christianlegalfellowship.org</u>
- Dickinson+Hicks Architects Inc., www.dickinson-hicks.com
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### **SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES**



Terrance S. Carter – Managing Partner of Carters, Mr. Carter practices in the area of charity and not-for-profit law, is counsel to Fasken Martineau DuMoulin LLP on charitable matters, is a member of the Technical Issues Group of Canada Revenue Agency's (CRA) Charities Directorate representing the Canadian Bar Association (CBA), a past member of CRA's Charity Advisory Committee, Past Chair of the CBA National Charities and Not-for-Profit Section, and is recognized as a leading expert by Lexpert and The Best Lawyers in Canada. He is also consulting editor of Charities Legislation and Commentary (LexisNexis Butterworths, 2011), and editor of <a href="www.charitylaw.ca">www.charitylaw.ca</a>, www.charitylaw.ca and <a href="www.charitylaw.ca">www.charitylaw.ca</a>, www.charitylaw.ca.



Karen J. Cooper – A partner with the firm, Ms. Cooper practices charity and not-for-profit law with an emphasis on tax issues at Carters' Ottawa office, having formerly been a Senior Rulings Officer with the Income Tax Rulings Directorate of Canada Revenue Agency, as well as former counsel for the Department of Justice in tax litigation. Ms. Cooper also has considerable teaching experience, including as part-time professor at the University of Ottawa, Faculty of Common Law, and is a contributing author to The Management of Charitable and Not-for-Profit Organizations in Canada (LexisNexis Butterworths). Ms. Cooper has been recognized as a leading expert in charity and not-for-profit law by Lexpert and Best Lawyers.



Jacqueline M. Demczur – A partner with the firm, Ms. Demczur practices in charity and not-for-profit law, including incorporation, corporate restructuring, and legal risk management reviews, as well as wills, estate planning and estate administration. Mrs. Demczur has been recognized as a leading expert in charity and not-for-profit law by Lexpert. She is a contributing author to Industry Canada's Primer for Directors of Not-For-Profit Corporations, and has written numerous articles on charity and not-for-profit issues for the Lawyers Weekly, The Philanthropist and Charity Law Bulletin, among others. Ms. Demczur is also a regular speaker at the annual Church & Charity Law™ Seminar.



**Kenneth A. Hall** – President of Robertson Hall Insurance, Mr. Hall specializes in insurance protection and risk management advice for over 5,500 churches and Christian charities across Canada. He is a frequent presenter at national denominational conferences, para-church leadership gatherings and various regional seminars. His "Facing The Risk" series of articles highlights the current issues facing Christian charities and their leaders, including abuse prevention, board governance, counselling services and injury prevention. Mr. Hall's most recent publication is entitled "Liability 101 for Christian Charities" and is part of Robertson Hall's continuing commitment in educating board members and ministry staff to better understand insurance and as a result be able to make more informed decisions in purchasing the right kinds of coverage for effective protection in an ever-changing world and legal climate.



Cathy Hawara – is currently the Director General, Charities Directorate with the Canada Revenue Agency, a position she holds since October 2009. In this capacity, she is responsible for the overall management of the federal regulation of registered charities under the Income Tax Act. Prior to joining the Canada Revenue Agency, Ms Hawara served as the Director of Appointments with the Senior Personnel Secretariat at the Privy Council Office from 2007 to 2009. She was responsible for providing advice and support to the Clerk of the Privy Council, the Prime Minister and his Office on all matters related to selection processes and appointments to Governor in Council positions, including Deputy Ministers and heads of agencies.



Barry Kwasniewski – Mr. Kwasniewski joined Carters' Ottawa office in October 2008 to practice in the areas of employment law, charity related litigation, and risk management. Called to the Ontario Bar in 1990, Barry has a wide range of litigation experience, including in commercial disputes, personal injury, long-term disability, employment, insurance defence, and professional liability. Barry is a volunteer lawyer at Reach Canada, an organization that assists people with disabilities with their legal problems, is on the Board of directors of the Vista Centre, an Ottawa based not-for-profit organization that provides support to persons living with the effects of acquired brain injury, and has assisted in several United Way campaigns.



Jennifer Leddy – Ms. Leddy joined Carters' Ottawa office in March 2009 to practice charity and not-for-profit law following a career in both private practice and public policy. Ms. Leddy practiced with the Toronto office of Lang Michener prior to joining the staff of the Canadian Conference of Catholic Bishops (CCCB). In 2005, she returned to private practice until she went to the Charities Directorate of the Canada Revenue Agency in 2008 as part of a one year Interchange program, to work on the proposed "Guidelines on the Meaning of Advancement of Religion as a Charitable Purpose."

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Theresa L.M. Man – A partner with Carters, Ms. Man practices in the area of charity and not-for-profit law and is recognized as a leading expert by Lexpert. She is an Executive Member of both the Charity and Not-for-Profit Sections of the Ontario Bar Association (OBA) and the Canadian Bar Association (CBA). In addition to being a frequent speaker at the annual Church & Charity Law™ Seminar, seminars hosted by the CBA and the OBA, Ms. Man has also written articles for numerous publications, including The Lawyers Weekly, The Philanthropist, The Bottom Line, Canadian Fundraiser eNews and Charity Law Bulletin.



Esther S.J. Oh – A partner with the firm, Ms. Oh practices in charity and not-for-profit at Carters' Mississauga office, and has been recognized as a leading expert in charity and not-for-profit law by Lexpert. Ms. Oh is a frequent contributor to <a href="www.charitylaw.ca">www.charitylaw.ca</a> and the Charity Law Bulletin, and has spoken at the annual Church & Charity Law™ Seminar as well as at the Canadian Bar Association/Ontario Bar Association's 2nd National Symposium on Charity Law. Ms. Oh's volunteer experience includes formerly serving as board member and corporate secretary of a national umbrella organization, and a director at a local community organization.



Ryan Prendergast – Mr. Prendergast was called to the Ontario Bar in 2010 and joined Carters to practice in the areas of charity and not-for-profit law, corporate and commercial law, and human rights law. A graduate of the University of Ottawa, Faculty of Law, Mr. Prendergast was a student caseworker for the Criminal Division at the University of Ottawa Community Legal Aid Clinic, completed a research project for Ecology Ottawa on municipal bylaws, and worked for the Crown Attorney's Office in Toronto as a summer student. During his articles, Mr. Prendergast acquired experience in charity and not-for-profit law, and contributed to several Charity Law Bulletins and other publications

### **UPCOMING CARTERS' SEMINARS OF INTEREST**

Get a Closer Look at Continuance Under the Canada Not-for-Profit Corporations Act (CNCA) – Breakfast Seminars hosted by Carters. This seminar will provide in depth practical information to help charitable and not-for-profit organizations incorporated under the Canada Corporations Act understand the process of continuing under the CNCA which is now in force. Registration details available at <a href="https://www.carters.ca/nfp/index.htm">www.carters.ca/nfp/index.htm</a>.

Ottawa – Tuesday, November 29, 2011

7:45 – 8:30 am Breakfast 8:30 – 10:00 am Seminar

Location: The MacKenzie Room at the Chimo Hotel, 1199 Joseph Cyr Street, Ottawa, Ontario.

Toronto – Thursday, December 1, 2011

7:45 – 8:30 am Breakfast 8:30 – 10:00 am Seminar

Location: The Graydon Ballroom, Delta Meadowvale Hotel, Delta Meadowvale (Mississauga Hotel), 6750 Mississauga Road, Toronto, Ontario.

Cost (including breakfast) - \$35 + HST For more information, contact us by email seminars@carters.ca, or call 1-877-942-0001 x230.

**COMING SOON** – **early in February 2012 - Ottawa Region** *Charity & Not-for-Profit Law* Seminar hosted by Carters in Ottawa, Ontario. More details will be available soon at <a href="http://www.charitylaw.ca">http://www.charitylaw.ca</a>.

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