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RECENT PUBLICATIONS AND NEWS RELEASES

Ontario's Not-for-Profit Corporations Act Update

Theresa L.M. Man and Terrance S. Carter.

ONCA Proclamation Postponed

In March 2013, the Ontario Ministry of Consumer Services announced that the proclamation of the Ontario *Not-for-Profit Corporations Act, 2010* (ONCA) will be delayed to January 2014 at the earliest. In a letter dated March 27, 2013, from the Minister of Consumer Services, Tracy MacCharles, to the Ontario Nonprofit Network, and a memorandum dated March 28, 2013, from the Assistant Deputy Minister, Frank Denton, to the Advisory Committee Members for the ONCA, they stated that the reason for the delay is to allow more time for the sector to prepare for transition. The ONCA was originally targeted to be proclaimed on July 1, 2013.

Both the letter and the memorandum indicate that the Ministry is committed to reviewing the ONCA following proclamation based on experience in the sector, including issues raised by the Ontario Nonprofit Network on behalf of its members.

The memorandum further indicates that the government is "exploring the possibility of holding back from proclamation the provisions of the ONCA giving voting rights to non-voting members in certain limited circumstances." However, the letter from the Minister indicates that she will be "recommending that these provisions not come into force for at least three years following proclamation." The Minister also indicates that she intends to "undertake a thorough consultation across the sector to assess how this issue should be addressed."

The Minister's announcement is available online at: http://www.theonn.ca/wp-content/uploads/2011/06/Ministers-letter-to-ONN_Mar_28.pdf.

The ONCA proclamation date can be monitored at the Ministry website: www.sse.gov.on.ca/mcs/en/Pages/not_for_profit.aspx.

Draft Organizational By-Law Released

On April 22, 2013, the Ministry of Consumer Services released a draft organizational by-law, which Ontario's not-for-profit corporations may adopt or use as a guide when drafting a by-law that is compliant with the ONCA. Newly incorporated corporations under the ONCA that do not adopt an organizational by-law within 60 days of incorporation will be deemed to have adopted this default

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organizational by-law. These corporations may amend or repeal and replace the default by-law at a later date if they wish. However, the default by-law does not apply to corporations incorporated under the Ontario *Corporations Act* prior to the proclamation of the ONCA, even if they have never adopted any organizational by-law.

Existing not-for-profit corporations may refer to the default by-law for language and content when reviewing and amending their own by-laws. However, it is important to be aware that the default by-law is intended to apply to the most common corporate events. However, this by-law is not a complete codification of the ONCA and therefore the corporation would need to make frequent reference to the ONCA and other applicable laws to ensure it remains compliant.

The draft by-law is available at: http://www.sse.gov.on.ca/mcs/en/Pages/onca6.aspx

CRA News

Karen J. Cooper.

CRA Updates GST/HST Information Guides

CRA has updated its publications "RC4081: GST/HST Information for Non-Profit Organizations" and "RC4082: GST/HST Information for Charities". New changes to the guides are based on amendments to the *Excise Tax Act* and related *Regulations*. Along with changes related to the purchasing and selling of real property, online business services have been added, and the goods and services tax/harmonized sales tax (GST/HST) streamlined accounting thresholds have increased for certain non-profit organizations. For more information on these important guides, see online at:

RC4081: GST/HST Information for Non-Profit Organizations Guide: http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/E/pub/gp/rc4081/rc4081-e.html

RC4082: GST/HST Information for Charities Guide: http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/E/pub/gp/rc4082/rc4082-e.html

CRA Launches New Series of Publications

In order to improve web functionality, CRA is introducing new technical publications called income tax folios. These folios will replace the current income tax interpretation bulletins. The folios will be organized into seven series, with each series subdivided into topic-specific chapters to better enable users to locate the information they need. Chapters will be published as their content is updated and will include material from income tax interpretation bulletins and information currently contained in the



income tax technical news (ITTNs). All interpretation bulletins and ITTNs updated by a folio chapter will be cancelled. CRA expects the update process to occur over the next several years. For more information, see online: http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/tx/tchncl/ncmtx/ntrfls-eng.html

CRA has also cancelled all archived income tax interpretation bulletins and ITTNs along with nine of the current income tax interpretation bulletins, effective September 30, 2012. For more information see online: http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/tx/tchncl/ncmtx/cncltchpbs-eng.html

CRA Releases Information on the First-Time Donor's Super Credit

CRA has released information related to the non-refundable First-Time Donor's Super Credit (FDSC) which was proposed in the 2013 Budget. The FDSC will supplement the non-refundable charitable donations tax credit (CDTC) for individuals who donate after March 20, 2013. This temporary supplement to the CDTC will be available to all first time donor's and can be claimed once between the 2013 and 2017 taxation years. This new credit effectively adds 25% to the rates used in the calculation of the CDTC for up to \$1,000 of monetary donations. As a result, a first-time donor will be allowed a 40% federal credit for donations of \$200 or less, and a 54% federal credit for the portion of donations over \$200, but not exceeding \$1,000. For details about the 2013 Budget see *Charity Law Bulletin* No. 306 online at: http://www.carters.ca/pub/bulletin/charity/2013/chylb306.htm.

For the CRA Release, see online at: http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/gncy/bdgt/2013/qa01-eng.html

Federal Legislation Update

Terrance S. Carter.

A number of important Federal government legislative measures over the last month continue to have an impact on the charity and not-for-profit sector. A brief update on some of these measures is set-out below:

Notice of Ways and Means Motion

On April 22, 2013, a detailed Notice of Ways and Means Motion was tabled to implement certain tax measures in the Economic Action Plan 2013, including changes to the *Income Tax Act* to implement the non-refundable First-Time Donor's Super Credit proposed in the 2013 Budget (See CRA News above). For more information, see http://www.fin.gc.ca/n13/13-062-eng.asp.



Bill C-48, Technical Tax Amendments Act 2012

The House Standing Committee on Finance has presented its report on *Bill C-48*, *Technical Tax Amendments Act 2012* and the Bill will now proceed to third reading. The Bill includes proposed amendments to the *Income Tax Act* on various matters, including split receipting, that were first proposed back in December of 2002, but have not been passed to date.

More commentary of the proposed amendments can be found in the October 2012 *Charity Law Update*: http://www.carters.ca/pub/update/charity/12/oct12.pdf.

The Bill can be accessed online at:

http://www.parl.gc.ca/HousePublications/Publication.aspx?Language=E&Mode=1&DocId=5852716

Bill S-14, Fighting Foreign Corruption Act

Bill S-14, Fighting Foreign Corruption Act received third reading in the Senate on March 26, 2013 and first reading in the House of Commons on March 27. The Bill now awaits second reading in the House of Commons.

For information on how this legislation could hinder charities and not-for-profits that deliver humanitarian aid in foreign countries, see the February 2013 *Charity Law Update*: http://www.carters.ca/pub/update/charity/13/feb13.pdf.

Status of the Bill can be monitored at:

http://www.parl.gc.ca/LegisInfo/BillDetails.aspx?Language=E&Mode=1&Bill=S14&Parl=41&Ses=1

Bill C-458, the National Charities Week Act

Bill C-458, the National Charities Week Act, is yet to receive second reading but was debated in the House of Commons on March 19, 2013, with parties from both sides of the House showing support. The Bill proposes making the last week of February each year National Charities Week and amending Canada's Income Tax Act to extend the deadline for people claiming charitable gifts for tax purposes by 60 days from year end to match the deadline for RRSP contributions.

For more information on the Bill, see the November/December 2012 *Charity Law Update*: http://www.carters.ca/pub/update/charity/12/novdec12.pdf

The Bill's status can be monitored at:

http://www.parl.gc.ca/LegisInfo/BillDetails.aspx?Language=E&Mode=1&billId=5794262



Report on Canada's Anti-Money Laundering and Anti-Terrorism Regime

The Senate Standing Committee on Banking, Trade and Commerce released in March 2013, its report on the five year Parliamentary review of the *Proceeds of Crime (Money Laundering) and Terrorist Financing Act*. The Committee's report is entitled *Follow the Money: Is Canada Making Progress in Combating Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing? Not Really* and includes 18 recommendations on how to improve Canada's anti-money laundering and anti-terrorism regime.

The report is available at: http://www.parl.gc.ca/Content/SEN/Committee/411/banc/rep/rep10mar13-e.pdf

Bill S-7, Combating Terrorism Act

Bill S-7, Combating Terrorism Act received third reading in the House of Commons on April 24, 2013 and received Royal Assent on April 25, 2013. The Act will make leaving Canada to commit a terrorist crime in another country a criminal offence, grants extra power to the police by permitting law enforcement agencies to preventatively detain suspects for up to 72 hours to avoid an imminent terrorist attack, and allows the courts to order the arrest of a witness who refuses to provide information about a potential terrorist attack, even if the witness has not been charged. Although the Act does not directly impact charities and not-for-profits, it does have the potential to affect those organizations working in conflict areas abroad and even some charities and not-for-profits in Canada which work in high risk areas or activities.

For more analysis of the Bill, see the March 2012, Charity Law Update: http://www.carters.ca/pub/update/charity/12/mar12.pdf.

The new Act is available online at: http://www.parl.gc.ca/content/hoc/Bills/411/Government/S-7/S-7_4/S-7_4.PDF

Working With The CNCA: Incorporation and Continuance

Presented by Theresa L.M. Man at the Ontario Bar Association Health Law Section CLE on Not-For-Profit and Charitable Organizations in the Health Sector: Evolving Governance & Compliance Issues in Toronto, Ontario, on April 8, 2013.

It has been a year and a half since the coming into force of the *Canada Not-for-profit Corporations Act* ("CNCA") on October 17, 2011. All federal incorporation of non-share capital corporations must do so under the CNCA. As well, all non-share capital corporations incorporated under Part II of the *Canada Corporations Act* ("CCA") have three years, until October 17, 2014, to continue under the CNCA.



These corporations are required to continue under the CNCA by completing a continuance process. Failure to continue within this time frame will result in dissolution of the corporation. While many CCA Part II corporations have taken steps to continue under the CNCA, the vast majority of them have not yet done so. Up to March 12, 2013, only 763 of approximately 17,000 corporations had continued under the CNCA.

This paper reviews essential concepts of the new rules under the CNCA, the steps involved in incorporating under the CNCA, the steps involved in the process for CCA Part II corporations to continue under the CNCA, as well as relevant issues to consider when drafting articles (both articles of incorporation and articles of continuance) and by-laws that comply with the CNCA.

Read More:

[PDF] http://www.carters.ca/pub/article/charity/2013/tlm0408.pdf

Clergy Residence Deduction – Ministry Must Be Integral Part of Employment Responsibilities

Jennifer M. Leddy.

In order to qualify for the clergy residence deduction, an individual must satisfy both a status and function test. The status test requires the individual to be one of (i) a member of the clergy; (ii) a member of a religious order; or (iii) a regular minister of a religious denomination. The function test requires the individual to: (i) be in charge of or ministering to a diocese, parish or congregation, or (ii) be engaged exclusively in full-time administrative service by appointment of a religious order or religious denomination.

On February 5, 2013, CRA released a technical interpretation (document no. 2012 0447881E5) on the application of paragraph 14 of its Interpretation Bulletin, IT-141R, "Clergy Residence Deduction", which provides that individuals who meet the status test and minister on a part-time or assistant basis also meet the function test provided that "ministering to congregations is an integral part of their employment responsibilities and expectations."

The facts considered in the technical interpretation concerned an ordained priest, ordinarily resident and employed in Canada, who was also assigned by his employer to work for some months of the year in another country, during which time his employer provided him with a monthly stipend to assist with his living expenses. The number of months spent in Canada and the other country, as well as, the nature of the priest's employment responsibilities in the other country were blacked out of the version released to the public.



The question put to CRA was whether occasional liturgical services performed by the priest at parishes in the other country that were in addition to his other employment responsibilities would satisfy the function test. CRA replied that the phrase in paragraph 14 of its Interpretation Bulletin of "minister on a part-time or assistant basis" referred to whether the individual's employment is part-time in nature not to the amount of ministering. To qualify under the function test, the ministry must be integral to the individual's employment responsibilities whether the employment is full or part-time. In this case, the priest could not qualify for the deduction because the occasional liturgies were incidental not integral to his employment responsibilities.

Court Intervenes in Church Dispute to Ensure Fairness in Membership Admission Ryan M. Prendergast.

On March 7, 2013, the Ontario Superior Court of Justice released its decision in *Diaferia et al. v. Elliot et al.*, an application for an interlocutory injunction preventing a membership meeting. The decision involved the Nashville Road Community Church (the "Church") in Kleinburg, Ontario, a registered charity operating as an unincorporated association. While over one hundred individuals attended the Church, the voting membership consisted of 60 people admitted into membership in accordance with the Church's written constitution. In this regard, the constitution required potential members to complete a three-step process, that is: being interviewed by an elder of the Church; being baptized by immersion; and confirmation by a vote of the Church membership.

The dispute leading to the intervention of the court arose when the elders of the Church announced on February 10, 2013, that a meeting of members would be held on March 3, 2013 to discuss whether or not the pastor of the Church would be dismissed. The pastor, with the support of 5 members, announced that a meeting would be held on February 24, 2013, at which he would ask the elders to consider admitting into membership those who supported him. The elders, however, decided that only those who had met the qualification requirements for membership as of February 10, 2013 would be recommended for admission into membership. As such, the elders decided that only the twelve applicants who had been interviewed by an elder and the membership administrator would be presented for admission into membership, despite the general practice of only admitting members at the annual meeting. As a result, at the meeting held by the pastor on February 24, 2013, the elders refused to admit 14 individuals who had not met the qualification requirements for membership as of February 10, 2013 but who supported the pastor.



As such, three members of the Church brought an application seeking an injunction to prevent the meeting called for March 3, 2013 to consider the pastor's employment. The court granted the injunction, and also permitted a group of 12 individuals, who had applied for membership after a lunch meeting with the pastor on February 3, 2013, to have their names considered for membership. The court stressed that it had no intention of getting involved in whether the pastor of the Church should remain or if any additional individuals should be granted membership in the Church. The court primarily sought to ensure that ultimately there was a level playing field for both sides of the dispute concerning the employment of the pastor. Although the elders may have had the best of intentions when they created an arbitrary cut off point for the admission of new members, the court ruled the process unfair, but intervened as minimally as possible to avoid limiting the ultimate jurisdiction of the Church membership. The decision is a reminder for both incorporated and unincorporated religious, as well as non-religious, organizations that if a procedure for admitting members is in the governing documents of the organization, this procedure should not only be followed, but should also be well known to those who want to become members. If there is not procedure for admitting members, a fair process must be used. Otherwise, there is a risk that the court could intervene.

The decision can be found online at: http://canlii.ca/t/fwg6k

Terminating Probationary Employees

Barry W. Kwasniewski in Charity Law Bulletin No. 309, April 25, 2013.

Many employees are hired subject to the successful completion of a probationary period. However, courts have ruled in several decisions that the right to terminate a "probationary employee" without notice or compensation is not absolute. Therefore, it is important that employers, including charities and not-for-profits, are aware that the assessment of and, if necessary, the termination of probationary employees is something that must be handled diligently and with care. The recent decision of the Ontario Superior Court of Justice in *Cao v. SBLR LLP*, 2012 O.J. No. 3328, has confirmed that an employee may be found to have been wrongfully dismissed if the employer did not act in good faith during the probationary employee's employment and termination process. Although the Ontario *Employment Standards Act*, 2000 ("ESA") does not provide for a notice period to be given to employees who have been employed for less than three months, courts are not prohibited from applying common law reasonable notice periods when appropriate. This *Charity Law Bulletin* discusses this decision, and analyzes how it may affect Ontario employers.



Read More:

[PDF] http://www.carters.ca/pub/bulletin/charity/2013/chylb309.pdf [WEB] http://www.carters.ca/pub/bulletin/charity/2013/chylb309.htm

Trademark Clearinghouse to Provide Essential Domain Name Protection Colin J. Thurston.

In previous *Charity Law Updates* of January and June 2012, it was reported that the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers (ICANN) plans to increase the number of generic top-level domains (internet address endings, or "gTLDs") from the current 22, which includes such gTLDs as .com, .org and .net. Over the course of the next year and beyond, it is anticipated that hundreds of new gTLDs will launch. In order to assist brand owners in protecting their trade-marks during this time, ICANN has announced the creation of the new Trademark Clearinghouse service, which charities and not-for-profits should consider as a way of protecting their online presence.

Generally, it is recommended that organizations register as many variations of their key domain names as possible, in order to protect their presence on the internet (for example, the .com, .ca, .net, .org versions should all be registered). With the launch of so many possible new gTLDs, (including .charity, .academy, .bible, .cancerresearch, .church, .education, .foundation, .healthcare, .health, .hiv, .islam. .kids, .quebec and .trust, among others) it will be impractical or impossible for most organizations to monitor and register in each desirable new domain that becomes available. Recognizing this, ICANN has set out mandatory launch processes for all new gTLDs (described below), during which certain rights and advantages will be provided to anyone who has registered their trade-mark with the Trademark Clearinghouse. During the initial launch period for a new gTLD, each new gTLD registry must provide:

Sunrise Period: a minimum 30 day opportunity during the pre-launch phase during which trademark owners who have registered with the Trademark Clearinghouse may seek registration of their trade-mark as a domain name under the new gTLD before registration is open to the general public; and,

Trade-mark claims Period: for at least the first 60 days that general registration for the domain is open, the registry must provide notice to any registrant attempting to register a domain name which matches a trade-mark registered with the Trademark Clearinghouse. If the registrant proceeds to register the domain name, then the registry will promptly notify the trade-mark owner.



These launch-period advantages provide a unique form of protection for an organization's trade-marks on a worldwide basis, and specifically address the concerns of many brand owners in relation to the pending tidal wave of new gTLDs expected to launch beginning this year. Organizations which have registered their trade-marks should take advantage of this unique opportunity so that they might avoid situations in the coming years in which domain names relevant to their organization are registered by other third parties. This can include targeted misappropriation by domain "squatters" or others who engage in online extortion techniques, who will undoubtedly look to profit from unprepared organizations during new gTLD launches. Advice should be sought from legal counsel in this regard. Further information regarding the Trademark Clearinghouse can be found online at http://trademark-clearinghouse.com/.

FATF Issues New Risk Assessment Guidelines

Terrance S. Carter and Nancy E. Claridge.

The Financial Action Task Force (FATF), an intergovernmental policy making body that sets anti-terrorist financing and anti-money laundering standards, has recently published a new "National Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing Risk Assessment" guidance. The focus of the updated assessment criteria in the guidance is on "areas of higher risk" – places where illicit arms trafficking, bribery and corruption have been found to be present. The new guidance will help countries calculate these risks by assessing both terrorist and criminal threats in their system and aid them in determining the impact or consequences of any of these vulnerabilities.

The guidance places a focus on charities and not-for-profits and listed the "presence of NPOs active in overseas conflict zones" as a factor that should be flagged by evaluators as a risk. Also, the guidance states that charities and not-for-profits that "disburse large sums for unspecified projects" should be flagged, but it does not make clear on how much money is considered to be "large." There are some concerns in the charitable sector with regard to how this new guidance will affect charities and not-for-profits, due to the possibility of governments using these comments to disproportionally target the legitimate activities of charities and not-for-profits that send money overseas for aid and development operations.

For the new FATF documents see online at: http://www.fatf-gafi.org/media/fatf/content/images/National_ML_TF_Risk_Assessment.pdf



http://www.fatf-

gafi.org/media/fatf/documents/methodology/FATF%20Methodology%2022%20Feb%202013.pdf

IN THE PRESS

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Health Law in Canada, Vol. 33, No. 3, February 2013. [Link] http://www.carters.ca/news/2013/TLM HLiC33 3.pdf

RECENT EVENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

Canadian Society of Association Executives – Trillium Chapter (CSAE) hosted a morning workshop presented by Theresa L.M. Man and Terrance S. Carter entitled "The New Ontario *Not-for-Profit Corporations Act, 2010*" on April 3, 2013.

[Web] http://www.carters.ca/pub/seminar/charity/2013/tlmtsc0403.htm

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Ontario Bar Association Health Law Section CLE on Not-For-Profit and Charitable Organizations in the Health Sector: Evolving Governance & Compliance Issues held in Toronto, Ontario, on April 8, 2013, included a presentation by Theresa L.M. Man on "Working With The CNCA: Incorporation and Continuance."

[Web] http://www.carters.ca/pub/seminar/charity/2013/tlm0408.htm
[PDF] http://www.carters.ca/pub/seminar/charity/2013/tlm0408.htm

[Paper] http://www.carters.ca/pub/article/charity/2013/tlm0408.pdf

Institute of Corporate Directors – Peel Region hosted an afternoon session on Legislative Changes Facing the NFP World in Mississauga, Ontario, on April 9, 2013, that included a presentation by Terrance S. Carter entitled "Reacting to Change: NFP Boards and New Corporate Legislation."

[Web] http://www.carters.ca/pub/seminar/charity/2013/tsc0409.htm

[PDF] http://www.carters.ca/pub/seminar/charity/2013/tsc0409.pdf

Imagine Canada's Charity Tax Tools Webinar on April 16, 2013, was a presentation by Terrance S. Carter on "Practical Implications of CRA's New Community Economic Development Policy."

[Webinar] https://docs.google.com/file/d/0B__Y0ygc_-I1X1k4ZGtjMEtfOHM/edit?pli=1

[Handout] http://charitytax.imaginecanada.ca/files/charitytax/imce/docs/CED_04%2016_Final.pdf

Canadian Association of Gift Planners (CAGP) 2013 National Conference held in the National Capital Region included the following presentations on April 17 and 18, 2013.

"Practical Implications of CRA New Governance Rules: Top Ten CRA Compliance Issues Gift Planners Need to Know" by Karen Cooper and Theresa Man;

[Web] http://www.carters.ca/pub/seminar/charity/2013/kjctlm0418.htm

[PDF] http://www.carters.ca/pub/seminar/charity/2013/kjctlm0418.pdf

"Drafting Issues for Donor Restricted Gifts" by Terrance S. Carter.

[Web] http://www.carters.ca/pub/seminar/charity/2013/tsc0418.htm

[PDF] http://www.carters.ca/pub/seminar/charity/2013/tsc0418.pdf

Institute of Corporate Directors (ICD) – Southwestern Ontario Chapter included Terrance S. Carter on a panel discussing "The Changing Landscape for Not-for-Profit in Canada" in London, Ontario, on April 23, 2013.

 $[Web] \ \underline{http://www.carters.ca/pub/seminar/charity/2013/tsc0423.htm}$

[PDF] http://www.carters.ca/pub/seminar/charity/2013/tsc0423.pdf

Institute of Corporate Directors (ICD) – Southwestern Ontario Chapter included Terrance S. Carter on a panel discussing "The Changing Landscape for Not-for-Profit in Canada" in Kitchener, Ontario, on April 25, 2013.

[Web] http://www.carters.ca/pub/seminar/charity/2013/tsc0425.htm

[PDF] http://www.carters.ca/pub/seminar/charity/2013/tsc0425.pdf



<u>UPCOMING EVENTS AND PRESENTATIONS</u>

Imagine Canada's Charity Tax Tools Webinar on May 7, 2013, will be a presentation by Theresa L.M. Man on "Working With the CNCA – Tough Questions."

Information available at http://www.imaginecanada.ca/civicrm/event/info?reset=1&id=161.

2013 National Charity Law Symposium hosted by the Canadian and Ontario Bar Associations will include a presentation by Theresa L.M. Man entitled "An Overview of Community Economic Development (CED) Including Program Related Investments" on May 10, 2013.

Details at http://www.cba.org/pd/details_en.aspx?id=NA_Char13.

Ontario Hospital Association's Workshop for Foundation Boards will include Terrance S. Carter in a panel discussion entitled "Strengthening Foundation Governance: Current Issues, Challenges and Solutions" on May 27, 2013.

Canadian Financial Administrators Conference will include the following presentations by Terrance S. Carter, Jennifer M. Leddy and Barry W. Kwasniewski on May 29, 2013.

"Basic Corporate Compliance Issues for Diocesan Corporations,"

"Foreign Activities: How to Avoid Problems with CRA,"

"From Hiring to Firing: The Church as Employer," and

"Fiduciary Duties Relating to Charitable Property".

NonProfit Centers Steering Committee being held in Denver, Colorado, will include Theresa L.M. Man in a panel discussion entitled "Canadian Rules: Legal Structures, Taxation, and Financing" on June 4, 2013.

Imagine Canada's Charity Tax Tools Webinar on June 4, 2013, will be a presentation by Karen J. Cooper entitled "Update on Maintaining NPO Status - Revisited."

Information available at http://www.imaginecanada.ca/civicrm/event/info?reset=1&id=162.



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