

Law Alumni Association (LAA) Nomination Process and Annual General Meeting for 2021

(1) Nomination Period and Annual General Meeting

Nominations open: **Wednesday, March 10, 2021 at 12:00 pm noon EST**; nominations close: **Wednesday, April 7, 2021 at 11: 59 pm EST**. The Law Alumni Association (LAA) 2021 Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held virtually on Wednesday, April 28, 2021. The LAA President will deliver the 2020-2021 report on alumni engagement activities, and LAA council members will vote on nominations recommended by the Nominating Committee.

The LAA promotes alumni participation in the law school through events, governance, and volunteering at both the Faculty and university-wide level. Our alumni contribute a wealth of ideas, talent and energy to student initiatives and programs and maintain strong contacts with the Faculty of Law community.

The LAA also serves as an advisory board to the Dean on matters of alumni engagement, as well as academic and student activities.

The LAA consists of 19 elected council members, including 4 executive members. Each term is three years in length, with a maximum of two consecutive terms. The LAA meets three to four times per throughout the academic year (September – April).

(2) Nomination Forms

(a) An individual seeking nomination must use and complete the appropriate official nomination form.

- (i) Nomination forms will be available at the Faculty of Law Alumni section of the Faculty of Law website: <https://www.law.utoronto.ca/alumni/volunteer>
- (ii) It shall be the responsibility of the individual seeking nomination to ensure that the correct nomination form, i.e., the form for Council Member or Executive Member is used.

(b) An individual seeking nomination must file a fully completed nomination form at the Advancement Office by delivering the fully completed nomination form via email prior to the close of the nomination period.

(3) Nominators

(a) To become a candidate in the elections, Alumni seeking nomination must meet the following requirements with respect to nominators:

- (i) the individual seeking nomination may not nominate themselves;
- (ii) each nominator of an Alumni nominee must also be alumni of the Faculty of Law; and
- (iii) the individual seeking nomination can either obtain the electronic signatures of three (3) nominators and beside each signature shall be the full name of the nominator who signed and year of graduation from the law school on their nomination form or by having the nominator(s) send a confirmation email to wasila.baset@utoronto.ca

(b) The names of nominators will not be released to the public, to any individual seeking nomination, or to any candidate.

(4) Nominee's Statement

(a) An individual seeking nomination should submit to the Nominating Committee a statement summarizing their motivation for running in the elections and how their background qualifies them for becoming a member of the Law Alumni Association Council. The statement must be 500 words or less in length. The statement must be submitted before the close of the nomination period to the Advancement Office along with the nomination form.

Acclamations

A candidate may be acclaimed, i.e., deemed to be elected, by the Nominations Committee in the following circumstances:

(a) The number of Alumni candidates is equal to or less than the number of vacancies on the Law Alumni Association Council to be filled; or

(b) Another candidate withdraws their nomination and, consequently, the number of remaining candidates is equal to or less than the number of vacancies on the Law Alumni Association Council to be filled.

If you have any questions, please contact:

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