



The Law Society of  
Upper Canada | Barreau  
du Haut-Canada

*Notice*

## Motion

**On March 28, 2013, the Secretary received the following motion to be made at the Annual General Meeting on May 8, 2013.**

Whereas the 2012 Legal Needs Analysis Report of the LSUC, the 2012 statutory review of paralegal licensing by the LSUC, and the independent statutory review of paralegal licensing by David Morris (the Morris Report) all identify the need for expansion of the scope of practice of paralegals; and

Whereas, the paralegals agree with Recommendation #5, #10, and #11 of the Morris Report,

It is resolved that the Law Society of Upper Canada shall, within 30 days, commission a task force comprised equally of paralegals, lawyers, and lay benchers for the purpose of establishing the education, training, experience, and other necessary qualifications for paralegals to practise in an expanded scope of practice including but not limited to: immigration law; family law; construction liens for matters within the financial jurisdiction of the Small Claims Court; super summary offences under the Criminal Code of Canada; and Divisional Court appeals of matters that are within the current scope of practice for paralegals.

It is further resolved that this committee shall report to Convocation within 270 days of its being struck with actionable recommendations for accomplishing recommendations 5, 10, and 11 of the Morris Report, including, recommendations for the amendment of any provincial legislation as may be necessary to accomplish these objectives.

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