Strength in Community

I’m thrilled to bring you the inaugural issue of the new CCCA newsletter, The Insider! This quarterly publication is designed to provide you with a deeper connection to your in-house counsel peers across Canada, highlighting our members on a more personal level and showcasing the strength of our regional branches and the forward-looking events they hold across the country.

When I began my journey as the CCCA Executive Director just under a year ago, I knew that fostering a sense of community would be one of my key areas of focus. When you feel more connected to your community, you also feel supported, engaged, and revitalized. I hope that this publication encourages future connections and idea exchanges that will benefit you as an individual and the CCCA membership as a whole.

That said, it’s also renewal season at the CBA and the CCCA. I encourage you to renew your investment in your in-house career and in your vibrant community of peers today. Even more exciting? Your CBA/CCCA membership now includes more free PD than ever before. Take advantage of over 50 PD programs and start learning at no extra cost! Click here for more information.

Cheers to community!

Alexandra Chyczij
CCCA Executive Director
Cross-country Connections

June was a busy month for the CCCA regional sections. In Ontario, Paul Jonathan Saguil was honoured with the Award of Excellence. Take a look at the highlights!

Upcoming Events:

MAY 29, 2020
The next cohort of the Business Leadership Program for In-House Counsel kicks off in Toronto
Learn more

ONGOING INTAKE
CCCA Mentoring Program
Learn more

PAST EVENT SPOTLIGHT:
On March 28, the Alberta South Chapter hosted “Are You Thinking About Workplace Safety the Right Way?”, featuring a speaker from the Calgary Police Service for a fresh perspective!
Cross-country Connections

Meanwhile, in Alberta South, LexisNexis Canada hosted CCCA members at one of their signature Cocktails and Conversations events.

Upcoming Events:
APRIL 26-28, 2020
CCCA National Conference in Montreal
Save the date!

The theme of this conference is Focus on the Future: In-House Counsel in 2020 and Beyond.

After all, in-house counsel are often on the forefront of change in the legal profession. With your business skills, thirst for efficiency, and passion for innovation, you are well-positioned to champion progress and new ways of working.

We look forward to seeing you at the Fairmont Queen Elizabeth!

Want to be better connected to your regional CCCA section?

CCCA Sections are your regional source of year-round initiatives for in-house counsel, building and enhancing relationships in your local business community and sharing knowledge and best practices with fellow in-house lawyers.

Contact your local rep!
Q&A With Margot Spence

Margot Spence is Manager, Corporate Law for the Insurance Corporation of British Columbia and is also the incoming Vice-Chair of the CCCA.

Q. What is your motto?
A. I have two –
   - We can achieve greatness when we work as a team.
   - The devil is in the details.

Q. What does success mean to you?
A. I feel most successful when I have the opportunity to work with a group of individuals who share the same goals and pool their talents to achieve a common objective.

Q. What is your favourite childhood memory?
A. Exploring the outdoors with my family; hiking, boating, canoeing, and swimming at the lake, followed by dinner parties and roasting marshmallows on a campfire.

Q. If you could be reborn as an animal, what animal would that be and why?
A. Being from the west coast, I have always held a fascination and love for ocean life. I would choose to be an orca, as I love the water, and swimming is my sport. Orcas also use group strategies to keep their calves safe and coordinate with each other, and I’m at my best when problem-solving with intelligent colleagues in a group environment. Lastly, in an orca family pod, the females are in control. I believe that utilizing everyone’s talents is the way to create a strong and diverse culture, and that includes seeing more women in leadership roles in our society.

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