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March 5, 2019

Ministry of the Attorney General
2nd Floor, 720 Bay Street Toronto ON M7A 2S9

Attention:

Sheila Bristo, Assistant Deputy Attorney General Court Services Division
PMB.admin@ontario.ca

Dear Ms. Bristo:

Re: Juror Addresses on Jury Panel Lists

The Federation of Ontario Law Associations ("FOLA") has carefully reviewed the potential amendment to the Juries Act regarding the accessibility of juror information and is writing to let you know that, while our Executive met to discuss the issue, and of your possible options, lean towards option d) "No juror address information, but a party could bring a motion to access juror street address information if it is necessary to ensure trial fairness or is otherwise in the interests of justice.", the Executive believes that this is an issue that should be discussed with our broader membership. However, given the short window of time between now and the Ministry's deadline of March 13, 2019, we don't think that we can adequately do that.

Yours truly,

INSERT SIGNATURE

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ABOUT FOLA

FOLA is an organization representing the associations and members of forty-six local law associations across Ontario. Together with the Toronto Lawyer's Association, our members represent approximately 12,000 lawyers across the province. The vast majority of these lawyers provide front-line services to the Ontario public. Many of our members deal with the *Planning Act* on a regular basis as part of a real estate practice, and the proposed amendment will enhance their ability to assist their clients.