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Wednesday, November 4

8:00 PM - **Welcome Reception**
10:00 PM
Museum London, 421 Ridout St N, London

Thursday, November 5

Delta Hotels London Armouries at 325 Dundas Street in London, Ontario

7:30 AM - 4:30 PM	Registration Open Armouries Ballroom	
	Collect your nametag at our registration table.	
7:45 AM - 9:00 AM	Breakfast and Networking Buffet breakfast is included with your registration.	
9:00 AM - 9:25 AM	Call to Order, Welcoming Remarks from the Chair, and Roll Call of the Presidents	Speakers: • Jennifer S. Rooke, Chair, FOLA • You!
	Opening remarks from Jennifer S. Rooke, Chair of FOLA, and, in a time-honoured tradition, presidents are invited to introduce the members of their delegation.	
9:25 AM - 9:30 AM	Welcoming Remarks from Middlesex Law Association	Speakers: • Greg Willson, President, MLA
	MLA President welcomes us to London!	



9:30 AM - 10:40 AM	Committee Chairs' Reports Reports will be presented from FOLA's Real Estate, Family Law, Estates, Criminal Law, and Legal Aid committees. For follow-up purposes or feedback, you will find their contact information printed on the last page of this document.	Speakers: • Andrew Keesmaat, Estate Law Committee Chair, FOLA • Karen Seeley, Criminal Law Committee Chair, FOLA • Logan Rathbone, Family Law Committee Chair, FOLA • Mark Giavedoni, Real Estate Committee Chair, FOLA • Terry Brandon, Legal Aid Committee Chair, FOLA
10:40 AM - 11:00 AM	Break	
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	SCC –Ahluwalia v Ahluwalia SCC Implications of this groundbreaking SCC case for family law, civil litigation, and estates	Speakers: • Ashley Gibson, Central South Regional Representative, FOLA • Chelsea Hishon, Partner, Beckett Personal Injury Lawyers • John Morissey, Partner, Siskinds
12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	Lunch	• Sponsor: Closer
1:00 PM - 1:40 PM	LiRN Update	Speakers: • Augustine Krawchenko, Chair, Board of Directors, LiRN • Mark Giavedoni, 1st Vice Chair, FOLA • Theresa Leitch, Managing Director, LiRN
1:40 PM – 2:10 PM	LDD	Speakers: • Maurizio Romanin, President & CEO, LDD



2:10 PM - 3:00 PM	Civility We will discuss civility in the context of intergenerational differences, courtroom etiquette, admonishments from the bench, and EDI.	Speakers: • Ryan Amex, Mckenzie Lake • Leanna J.T. Simpson, Southwest Regional Representative, FOLA • TBD
3:00 PM – 3:15 PM	Break: Go to the next Breakout session!	
3:15 PM – 3:50 PM	Breakout Sessions – 35 minutes – end day between 4/430pm #1: Armouries Ballroom Associations HR: Hiring and Getting The Most Out of Your People #2: Officers Club Civil Litigation Roundtable #3: Gunnery Room Real Estate Roundtable	Speakers: • Laura Dickson, Past President, HLA • Ted Chadderton, LiRN Vice Chair • Kevin Cooke, 2nd Vice Chair, FOLA • Mark Giavedoni, 1st Vice Chair, FOLA
3:50 PM – 4:00 PM	Break - Go to next Breakout session!	

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Friday

9:00 AM - 9:45 AM	Regional Breakfast Meetings Start the day with breakfast with the delegates from your region of Ontario. Your breakfast is included with registration.	
9:45 AM – 10:00 AM	Plenary Survey!	
10:00 AM – 10:30 AM	FOLA General Meeting	
10:30 AM - 10:45 AM	Law Society of Ontario Update We welcome new LSO CEO Tom Teahan to provide the LSO update.	Speaker: • Tom Teahan, CEO LSO
10:45 AM – 11:00 AM	Legal Aid Ontario Update	• Aileen Page, President & CEO, LAO
11:00 AM – 11:30 AM	LAWPRO Update & AI Presentation	• Dan Pinnington, President & CEO, LAWPRO
11:30 AM - 11:55 AM	Break – Check out now then come back for our final panel!	
11:55 AM – 12:15 AM	20 Tips in 20 Minutes Fast, practical, and packed with value—this rapid-fire session delivers 20 essential tips in just 20 minutes to help you streamline your practice, enhance client service, and stay ahead in the ever-evolving legal landscape. From time-saving tech tools to risk management strategies and advocacy hacks, our panel of experts will share actionable insights you can implement immediately. Don't miss this power-packed session designed to boost your efficiency and effectiveness!	Speaker: • Robin Brown, President, CCLA • David Nusko, President, Bruce Law Association • TBD



11:50 PM -
12:00 PM

Final Remarks, Lunch, and Departure

A final word to wrap-up before lunch and departure.

Speaker:

- Jennifer S. Rooke, Chair, FOLA