

**RESOLUTION**  
**OF**  
**FAMILY LAWYERS ASSOCIATION**

**Thursday, November 19, 2009**

The Family Lawyers Association hereby resolve as follows:

1. That F.L.A. supports the position taken by the Criminal Lawyers' Association in requesting that its members withdraw their legal services in certain criminal legal aid certificate files;
2. That F.L.A. endorses the work of the Legal Aid Advisory Working Groups and requests that Legal Aid Ontario and the Government of Ontario afford those Working Groups sufficient latitude and authority to consider all issues regarding the allocation and targeting of the \$150 million of additional legal aid funding;
3. That the criteria for the expenditure of new monies have as fundamental objectives the following:
  - a) that the expenditure enhances the services delivered by the legal aid service providers and maintains and supports the right to independent counsel for the most vulnerable in Ontario;
  - b) that the expenditure does not expand any capital expenditure programs of Legal Aid Ontario;
  - c) that the expenditure expands those legal services covered by the present legal aid certificates;
  - d) that the expenditure expand the efficiency and effectiveness of the legal aid system; and
  - e) that the expenditure increase the tariff available to legal aid service providers.
4. That an independent annual tariff and funding review mechanism be established; and
5. That any increases in funding to Government Agencies and Courts Administration or related funding envelopes result in a commensurate increase in funding for legal aid programs.

The undersigned, being the Secretary of the Corporation, hereby certifies that the foregoing is a true copy of a resolution passed at Guelph on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2009, which Resolution is in full force and effect as at the date hereof unamended.

DATED the \_\_\_\_\_ day of November, 2009

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