



LSS Chair's Award for Distinguished Service

The Legal Services Society is pleased to announce a new award to recognize the value and work of legal aid lawyers around the province.

The **LSS Chair's Award for Distinguished Service** will honour individuals who have made sustained and significant career contributions to legal aid in BC.

The award will be presented in 10 separate regions. One or more lawyers in each region will be honoured once every three years. This year, LSS will host award dinners in Victoria, Kelowna, and the Kootenays. In 2012, events will be held in Surrey, Nanaimo, Vancouver, and New Westminster. Lawyers in Prince George, Terrace, and Kamloops will be honoured in 2013.

Nominations for the awards will be made in consultation with the local agent in the region and the final decision will rest with the chair of the LSS board of directors.

At each event, in addition to saluting their colleagues, lawyers will have an opportunity to meet with members of the LSS board of directors and staff. **The Victoria award dinner is scheduled for April 7 and invitations will be sent by email and fax soon.**

The Chair's Award for Distinguished Service builds upon the success of the lawyer recognition dinners LSS has hosted since 2001. The following lawyers have been honoured at these events:

Vancouver, 2001:	Patricia Bond, David Crossin, QC, Christopher Elgin, Richard Gibbs, QC, Mary Mouat, Peter Wilson, QC
Kelowna, 2004:	William Clarke, Jeff Peterson
Kamloops, 2004:	Stephen Soll, Ken Tessovitch
Prince George, 2004:	Fred Fatt, Annabelle Oliver Dunbar
Terrace, 2004:	Darrell O'Byrne, Ian Lawson
Victoria, 2005:	Peter Golden, Shannon Buchan
Surrey, 2006:	Craig Sicotte, Jay Upton
Vancouver, 2006:	Arthur Demeulemeester, Phil Rankin, Bruce Clokie
Kamloops, 2008:	David Dundee, Fred Kaatz
Terrace, 2008:	Scott Mulder, Martin Griffith-Zahner
Prince George, 2008:	Donald Kennedy, QC, Susie Kristan

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