

Notice to the Profession

MEMBERS SELECTED FOR BEREAVEMENT AUTHORITY OF ONTARIO'S INAUGURAL STAKEHOLDER ADVISORY COMMITTEES

We are delighted to announce the new committee members for the Bereavement Authority of Ontario's Stakeholder Advisory Committees:

- [Funeral and Transfer Service Advisory Committee](#)
- [Cemetery, Crematorium and Municipal Advisory Committee](#)
- [Faith-Based Advisory Committee](#)

These volunteer committees are comprised of sector and consumer representatives who provide the Board and the Registrar with expert advice on matters affecting the bereavement sector.

The BAO would like to thank all nominees for their submissions. The BAO received a strong response to the Call for Nominations, providing the Nominations Committee with a broad range of qualified candidates. The committee adhered to multi-faceted criteria that called for a cross-section of designated sectors, geographical regions, populations and faiths (where applicable). After extensive and thorough consideration, the Nominations Committee has selected the following committee members for the BAO's inaugural Stakeholder Advisory Committees:

- **Funeral and Transfer Service Advisory Committee Members**
 - [Brian Parent \(Chair\)](#), Families First Funeral Homes
 - Angie Aquino, Canadian Memorial Services
 - Carolyn Nixon, Affordable Funeral Options
 - Jay Branton, Service Corporation International (SCI)
 - Loyal David Beggs, Beggs Funeral Home Ltd.
 - Rick Ludwig, Kitching, Steepe and Ludwig Funeral Home
 - Scott Miller, Hulse, Playfair & McGarry
 - Terrence Eccles, Arbor Memorial Services
 - Paul Ouellette, Acronamic Learning System

- Cemetery, Crematorium and Municipal Advisory Committee Members
 - [Glen Timney \(Chair\)](#), Mount Pleasant Group
 - Heather Anderson, Ontario Historical Society
 - Helma Oonk, Glenwood Cemetery Company
 - Ian Merritt, The Lindsay Cemetery Corporation
 - Jeff Wakeford, Little Lake Cemetery Company
 - Kirby Butler, Southwest Crematoriums Ltd.
 - Larry Moore, St. John's Cemetery and Columbarium
 - Lillian Logan, Township of Lanark Highlands
 - Ron Hendrix, Catholic Cemeteries & Funeral Services

- Faith-Based Advisory Committee Members
 - [John O'Brien \(Chair\)](#), The Catholic Cemeteries
 - Imam Imran Ally, TARIC Islamic Centre
 - The Reverend Daniel Graves, St. Paul's Anglican Church
 - Wayne Harris, Perth Cemetery Company
 - William Draimin, Barrister & Solicitor

On behalf of the BAO, we look forward to working collaboratively with the Stakeholder Advisory Committees to meet the BAO's mandate of increasing consumer protection, enhancing professionalism, and providing an effective, efficient and responsive regulatory framework for the bereavement sector.

Sincerely,

[Tom Wright](#)

Chair/President, Board of Directors
Bereavement Authority of Ontario