

## **Proposed Trinity Western University Faculty of Law**

## **NOTICE OF MOTION**

## WHEREAS:

- On December 16, 2013, the Federation of Law Societies approved Trinity Western University's proposal for the establishment of a law degree program that would qualify graduates academically for admission to the legal profession;
- The Government of British Columbia has accredited the proposed law degree program pursuant to the *Degree Authorization Act*;
- By Rule 2-27, the proposed law degree program will therefore qualify graduates academically for admission to the Law Society of British Columbia, but Rule 2-27(4.1) confers on the Benchers a discretion not to accept the proposed law degree program;
- The Law Society has received submissions from lawyers and others urging it not to accept the proposed law degree program, as well as submissions urging its acceptance;
- It is in the public interest that the Benchers consider whether to exercise their discretion under Rule 2-27(4.1) thoroughly, carefully, and in a manner that is fair to Trinity Western University:

Without expressing any opinion at this time as to the merits of the motion, David Crossin, QC, and Kenneth Walker, QC, hereby give notice of their intention to move on behalf of the Executive Committee the following motion at the Benchers meeting on April 11, 2014, in order that the matter may be properly considered by the Benchers at that time:

Pursuant to Law Society Rule 2-27(4.1), the Benchers declare that, notwithstanding the preliminary approval granted to Trinity Western University on December 16, 2013 by the Federation of Law Societies' Canadian Common Law Program Approval Committee, the proposed Faculty of Law of Trinity Western University is not an approved faculty of law.