

## CBA Board Application: Part 3 Biographical Sketch



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### Relevant Practice History and Community Involvement

- 2007 to present: I have continuously worked and helped build Alberta's largest rural regional law firm, Stringam LLP where I have served as a partner for the past 10 years.
  - I am an experienced lawyer of over 18 years. I serve Albertans who have survived a fatal accident or are living with disabilities and chronic pain helping them navigate complex situations involving burdens of proof, competing insurance claims, and evidentiary issues. Concurrently I have continuously maintained a healthy practice over the same period in wills and estates, family law, residential/commercial real estate, and corporate/commercial matters. I have practiced criminal defence and by-law prosecution for 3 years and had an 8 year period focused on high conflict family law.
  - I work hard to be rated well by [past clients](#).

### Relevant Service to the Legal Community

- **Canadian Bar Association**
  - Active CBA Board Member (2023-2025)
    - Legislative & Law Reform Committee Board Liaison (2023-2024)
    - Editorial Committee Board Liaison (2024-2025)
      - [Recently published article](#) (March, 2025)
  - Section Executive - Personal Injury South (2024-2025)
- **Law Society of Alberta**
  - Regular member of the Practice Review Committee Panel (2024-2025)
- **Legal Education Society of Alberta**
  - Contributing Editor to the Alberta Civil Practice Manual (2023) and Wills and Estates Practice Manual (2023)

- **Alberta Civil Trial Lawyers Association**

- Co-chair of seminars (2021-2025)
- Board and/or Executive Member (2021-2025)

Relevant Past Service to the General Community:

- 2008 – 2015: I provided over 30 Alberta Law Foundation seminars at the Lethbridge Polytechnic or the Lethbridge Library and broadcast to rural areas across Alberta.
- 2015 – 2018: I provided volunteer farm succession seminars for many rural communities in and around Southern Alberta.
- 2015 – 2021: I was a volunteer instructor and courtroom facilitator at the Lethbridge Polytechnic for police and nursing students and received the external partner award from the Dean and Associate Dean of the Centre for Justice and Human Resources.
- 2017 to present: I oversee abuse prevention and mandatory reporting (8 years), weekly teen support programs (4 years), and adult/youth social assistance referrals (4 years) within the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints where I currently serve as bishop. Many of these services are provided to members and non-members alike in my designated geographic area.

Reason for Applying:

- I am applying to contribute to a high-performance CBA board leadership in furthering the priorities of the CBA. I hope to develop even more powerful but balanced advocacy on behalf of all our members, wherever they reside, supporting adaptive and innovative legal practices, creating a committed membership, developing healthy cultures and wellness in our own individual practices. Please reach out to me to discuss how I can serve you in more detail.