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Delivered by Email

Dear Brampton Centre Candidate:

I contact you on behalf of the Peel Law Association (PLA) as an elected member of the Board of Directors. This organization has advocated on behalf of the legal community in Peel since its creation in 1947.

We are interested in holding a forum at the Brampton courthouse at which the Brampton Centre candidates of the four main political parties outline the positions of their parties on issues of importance to the legal community. Of specific relevance to the Peel Law Association are issues such as funding for Legal Aid Ontario, the implementation of a Unified Family Court for Peel, delays in getting cases to trial within criminal law proceedings, relations between the community and the Peel Regional Police, the scope of the practice of paralegals and the proposed implementation of mandatory mediation in the area of civil law. A more detailed and specific agenda of topics to be covered will be provided prior to the meeting. It seems appropriate to have the candidates for Brampton Centre attend at this meeting, given that the Brampton courthouse is within the Brampton Centre riding. We believe that it will be mutually beneficial and informative for the local candidates to interact with and take questions from members of the Peel legal community.

We are hoping to have the meeting on a weekday afternoon at the Brampton courthouse, commencing at approximately 5:00 p.m. We respectfully ask you to consider whether you would be willing to commit to attending at an all-candidates meeting at the Brampton courthouse, and to advise if there are any specific dates that you would not be available. Once we have received feedback from all four candidates, we will attempt to set a date and time that is agreeable with everyone's schedule.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this invitation. Please respond by email to john1265silvester@gmail.com and I am also available by telephone at 647-218-7866.

Sincerely,



John Silvester
Director, Peel Law Association