



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Friday, February 7, 2024
Zoom Videoconference
Scheduled 12:30 pm to 1:30 pm

CALL TO ORDER AT 12:30 PM

1. Welcome and Consent Agenda

President Lee Nevens welcomed members to the AGM.

Motion: To approve the February 7, 2025 Annual General Meeting Agenda.

Connor Bildfell **MOVED** Dan Moseley **SECONDED** **CARRIED**

Motion: To approve the February 2, 2024 Annual General Meeting Minutes.

Connor Bildfell **MOVED** Patricia Blair **SECONDED** **CARRIED**

2. Report of the Board of Directors of 2023/24

President Lee Nevens gave a [report on the 2023/24 year](#).

3. Financial Report

Dan Moseley, Chair of the Finance & Audit Committee, reported on the audit of the [2023-24 financial statements](#), approved by the Board of Directors.

Appointment of Auditors 2025-26

Motion: That the accounting firm Manning Elliot Chartered Accountants be appointed as auditors for the CBABC for the fiscal year 2025-26.

Dan Moseley **MOVED** Robin Gage **SECONDED** **CARRIED**

5. Special Guest: The Honourable Chief Justice Ronald A. Skolrood

AGM attendees enjoyed a presentation from the Honourable Ronald A. Skolrood, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of British Columbia.



Remarks highlighted the importance of rethinking the way the justice system operates, fostering collaboration across the legal community, and embracing a forward-thinking, inclusive approach to reform. Some key highlights of his remarks:

- Access to Justice
 - Chief Justice Skolrood discussed access to justice regarding efficiency, accessibility and the importance of maintaining integrity. He emphasized the value of looking at the justice system from a user-centered perspective, and asked the audience to think of how technology can play a bigger role in streamlining these processes.
- Improving the justice system
 - Implications of public engagement, innovation and the need for creative approaches to the justice system were discussed. Fostering public understanding of the justice system is critical to maintaining respect for the rule of law. A need for a collective effort to improve the justice system, focusing on practical, achievable reforms is necessary. Chief Justice Skolrood also mentioned how expanding virtual hearings, especially in the form of virtual Associate Judge Chambers would reduce the logistical burdens of travel and scheduling, especially for people in remote areas. The idea of creating more opportunities for short applications to be heard quickly, no matter where parties are located, would help ease some of the pressures on the system and increase access to justice for those who might otherwise wait for weeks.

5. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:30pm

Lee Nevens
President, 2024-25

Kerry L. Simmons KC
Executive Director