

Committee: **UWO Board of Governors**

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Occupation: **Lawyer**

Work experience: **Lawyer practicing primarily in the Citizenship and Immigration field since 1992. Have run my own law practice since 1997. I have have a long and accomplished record of community service. I served on the Board of the Cross Cultural Community Centre in London, Ontario. I am a past chair of Neighbourhood Legal Services, a poverty law clinic run by Legal Aid Ontario; a past president of the Lambeth Community Association, and also served on the Board of the Canadian Club of London. Between 2000-2003 I served as Councillor for Ward 7 on the City of London, Ontario municipal city council. In that capacity I represented the City of London on the Upper Thames River Conservation Authority Board and on the Lake Huron Water Board. I have also been active in other community and professional associations. I am presently serving as Treasurer of the London Cross Cultural Committee on Arts which runs multicultural programs in London including the nationally renown Sunfest World Music Festival.**

Education: **I have a B.A. in History and a Master's Degree in Political Science from the University of Western Ontario. My Master's thesis is titled "The Failure of Secularism in Turkey." I also have a Law Degree from the University of Windsor and was called to the Bar of the Law Society of Upper Canada in 1992. I am recognized as one of the top Immigration lawyers in Canada. I am featured on the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation web site as a leading Immigration lawyer. My academic area of expertise is International politics and the Middle East. I have published numerous articles in academic, professional and journalistic publications. I am also the Associate Editor of ImmQuest and also the Associate Editor of Immigration Law Reporter. I am presently serving as a Trustee for the Middlesex Law Association and acting as Secretary for 2010-11. On the June 29th, 2004 the Law Society of Upper Canada certified me as a specialist in Citizenship and Immigration Law and Immigration and Refugee Protection. There are only approximately 40 lawyers in Ontario who are certified as specialists and only around 12 who are certified in both categories. I also sat on the Law Society of Upper Canada Certified Specialist Selection Committee for Citizenship and Immigration between 2004-2007.**

Skills: **I have extensive experience working with multicultural communities and considerable knowledge of their issues, history and cultural attributes of London's increasing diverse community. Extensive knowledge of Canada's Citizenship and Immigration law and good knowledge of law in general. Extensive experience working with Boards and with Administrative law and Administrative law procedure. I have also served on numerous University of Western Ontario bodies including the UWO Senate, University Community Centre Directorate, the Society of Graduate Students (SOGS) and the University of Western Ontario University Students Council (USC) and Kings College Student Council (KSC).**

Interest reason: **It is the only major Board or body that I have not previously served on at the University of Western Ontario. I would like to opportunity to serve on the UWO Board of Governors.**

Contributions: **Having previously served on London City Council (2000-2003) and my nearly 20 years experience as a lawyer and working with new comers, refugees etc I believe that I can make a positive contribution.**

Past contributions: **I have served on many UWO University and Windsor Faculty of Law Committees, Boards and governing bodies. These include: - Speakers and Special Event's Chair, Windsor Faculty of Law, 1988-1990 - Society of Graduate Students (S.O.G.S.), representative on University Community Centre Directorate, Programming and Building Operations Committees 1985-1987 - Selection Committee U.W.O. University Community Centre Director 1986 - Political Science Representative to S.O.G.S. Council 1984-1985 -**

Treasurer, Political Science Graduate Students Association 1984-1985 - University of Western Ontario Senate, 1977-1979 - Vice President Education, University Students Council (U.S.C.) 1977-1978 - U.W.O. Ontario Public Interest Research Group Board 1977 - Kings College Students Council, U.S.C. Representative 1976-1978

Interpersonal: I served on London City Council and its Committees 2000-2003. I also served on the Board of the Cross Cultural Community Centre in London, Ontario. I also served on the Board of Neighbourhood Legal Services, a poverty law clinic run by Legal Aid Ontario, for four years serving as Chair in my last year. I have also served on many community organizations in an executive capacity. I have extensive experience in serving in Community organizations. Here is a partial list. - London Cross Cultural Arts Committee (Sunfest) Board of Directors 2005-2009, Treasurer 2006-2010 - Regina Mundi College Reunion Organizing Committee October 22, 2005 - King's University College Alumni Association 2001-2005 - King's College/Orchestra London "Music Reigns" Fundraising Committee Member 1998-2007 - Member of the Western Fair Association 2003-2004 - Lake Huron Water Pipeline Board 2002-2003 - Upper Thames River Conservation Authority Board of Directors 2001-2004 - President of Delta Upsilon Alumni Corporation (London, Ont. Chapter) 1999-2002 - Board Member of Canadian Club (London, Ont.) 1998-2002 - Member of Urban League of London 1998-2000 - Founding President Lambeth Community Association 1998-2000 - Organized Lambeth Ward Seven, Mayor and Board of Control All-Candidates Meetings, 1997 London Municipal Elections - Member of Lambeth Southside Sewage Treatment Plant Committee 1997-1998 - Chair Neighbourhood Legal Services (N.L.S.), Legal Aid Clinic 1997-1998 - Vice-Chair Neighbourhood Legal Services 1996-1997 - Board Member Neighbourhood Legal Services 1994-1996 - Canadian Council for Refugees (C.C.R.) Legal Affairs Committee 1993-1997 - C.C.R. Refugee Protection Committee Regional Contact 1993-present - Director, London Cross Cultural Learner Centre 1991-1995 - Trustee, Secretary and Director, Delta Upsilon Alumni Corporation 1985-2007 - Member, United Nations Association 1984-2004 - Speakers Program and Facilitator, London, United Nations Association Seminars 1984-1991 - Speakers Program, London Chapter Council of Canadians 1986-1987 - Media coordinator, Prime Minister Trudeau's visit to U.W.O. October 1983 - Regina Mundi College Annual Careers Night 1979-1982 - Chairman, Southwestern Ontario Policy Conference 1980 and 1981 - Committee for Improved Planning, Westminster Business Association 1979-1980 - Active member of political party since 1976

Interview interest: Yes