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188 new lawyers to graduate at National Arts Centre ceremony –
Law Society to present Honorary Doctorate to former Superior Court Justice

The Law Society of Upper Canada will present an honorary degree of Doctor of Laws (LL.D.) to the **Honourable James B. Chadwick, Q.C.**, in recognition of his outstanding service to the public and the legal profession.

During the ceremony, 188 new lawyers will be called to the Ontario Bar – 107 women and 81 men. Seventeen students will also be presented with **special awards** for attaining the highest marks in the Law Society's Bar Admission Course and excellence in skills. In Ottawa, 19% of the new calls to the Bar are Francophones.

When: Wednesday, July 14 2004
9:30 a.m.

Where: National Arts Centre,
53 Elgin Street, Ottawa

James Chadwick is a former Superior Court Justice. During his years on the bench he was involved in numerous commercial cases, personal injury, employment law, insolvency, and construction law cases. Currently, James Chadwick is a mediator, arbitrator and facilitator with the Ottawa Dispute Resolution Group.

Law Society Treasurer, Frank Marrocco, Q.C., will begin the ceremony by conferring the honorary Doctorate to James Chadwick. The honorary degree is awarded at the Law Society's Call to the Bar celebrations to select members of the public and profession who exemplify the character and values held in esteem by the legal profession. **Following his award, James Chadwick will serve as keynote speaker.**

Call to the Bar ceremonies are also being held in London and Toronto in July. The Law Society will call more than 950 new lawyers to the Bar across the province. Continuing a trend seen over the last few years, women account for the majority of new calls to the Bar (54%) province-wide.

Please note: Upon arrival, please check-in at the media desk. Please confirm your attendance in advance, if possible.

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