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Prominent Hamilton Area Lawyer is the First Canadian Nominated to U.S National Conference of Bar Presidents

Hamilton – Prominent Hamilton Area Lawyer, Randall Bocock, has been elected to serve on the National Conference of Bar Presidents (NCBP), the first Canadian and non- U.S. lawyer to sit on the prestigious American organization's Executive Council.

"It is an honour and privilege to be elected and I look forward to serving Law/Bar association interests through the NCBP," said Bocock of Evans Philp, LLP, a leading Hamilton law firm. "Practising Canadian lawyers will now have a home grown representative on The Executive Council of the NCBP which will further assist county Bar/Law associations." said Bocock.

Mr. Bocock, a Caledonia, Ontario resident, was nominated and elected at the NCBP's annual convention in San Francisco on August 8, 2010 as one of fifteen 'at-large' members to serve a three year term. The balance of the positions on the Executive Council are filled by Bar leaders from around the U.S. making Mr. Bocock the only non-American to hold such a position. "This is a great opportunity for me to continue my work to assist practising lawyers who strive daily in a legal system that is a fundamental cornerstone of our democracy. With the annual meeting in Toronto next year, our country's legal system will be spotlighted for the NCBP and the ABA."

Mr. Bocock's nomination provides great opportunity for Bar/ Law Associations in Canada and is a novel expansion opportunity for the NCBP," said Linda O'Brien, head of Insurance Law at Evans Philp. "Randall believes American lawyers will benefit from the Canadian experience and that lawyers across Canada will be able to see firsthand the great lawyer and Bar Association support work of the NCBP. Evans, Philp is proud to support Randall in his new position".

Randall Bocock is the Past Chair of the County and District Law Presidents' Association (CDLPA) which represents forty-six county and district law associations through their presidents across Ontario. He is also:

- Firm Management Committee Chair, Evans Philp, LLP;
- Head of Firm Business and Property Law Dept, Evans Philp, LLP;
- Former President of the Hamilton Law Association;

- A director on the Lawyers Professional Indemnity Company (the liability insurer for Ontario's lawyers);

"I see great opportunity in this position to advocate for increased association membership by the Bar/Law associations of Canada in the NCBP," said Bocock. The NCBP is the affiliated Bar association leadership arm of the American Bar Association and was founded in 1950 to provide information and training to U.S. state and local bar association leaders. The current organizational members of NCBP include state, local and special focus bars from fifty-three states and territories and members include past bar leaders.

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Bio – Randall S. Bocock

Randall Bocock is Practice Head of Corporate Law at Evans, Philp. He is responsible for the provision of corporate, commercial, real estate and estate legal services by the Firm.

Education: McMaster University (B.A., 1982); University of Ottawa (LL.B, 1985)

Professional Associations: Hamilton Law Association, various roles culminating as President in 1997; McMaster University Alumni Association culminating as President in 1996; Director, McMaster University Foundation 2000-Present; Vice-Chair, County and District Law Presidents' Association (CDLPA) to become Chair in May 2008

Community Involvement: 2008 to present Founding Director and Secretary on the Hamilton Shelter Health Network (a not for profit coordinating group for social agencies who service the homeless population); 1990- 1997 Founding Director, Haven of the Homeless Child (Child Haven) (a charity dedicated to the alleviation of child homelessness in Colombia).

Lawyer Randall S. Bocock nominated for US honour

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At the beginning of his career, Randall S. Bocock of Caledonia went into law school at the University of Ottawa (class of 1985) because he "thought it would be an interesting tool to have."

It certainly has proven to be 'interesting' for Bocock; at the annual U.S. National Conference of Bar Presidents (NCBP) convention in San Francisco on August 8, he was the first non-American nominated to a position in its executive council.

The NCBP was founded in 1950 with the objective of providing information and training for bar association members and leaders in the USA.

Evans Philp Law Firm in Hamilton Ontario, where Bocock is the practice head of corporate law, is proudly supporting him in this new position.

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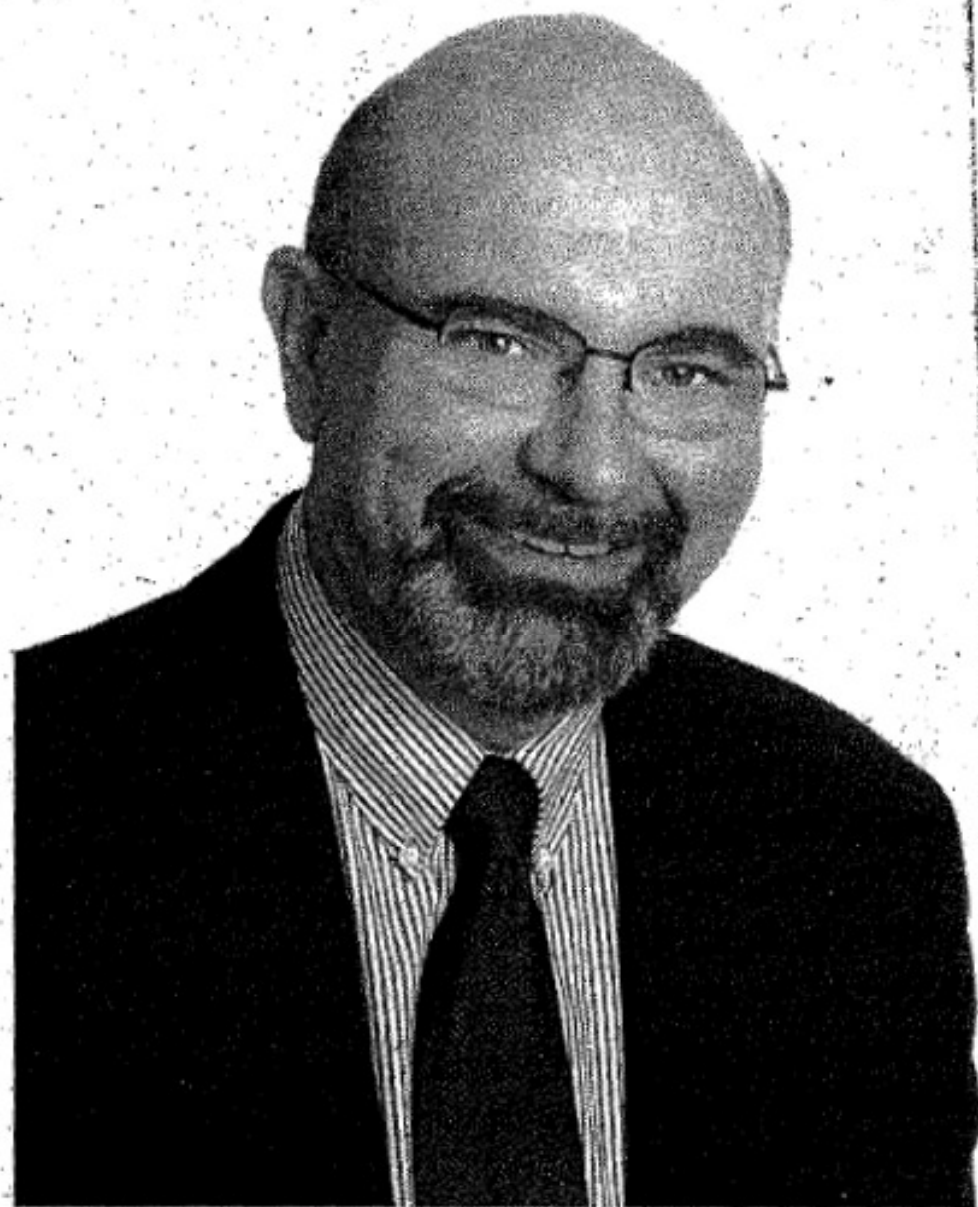
"It's what you make it," Bocock explained concerning the time and travel required with this new position.

While serving a three-year term with the NCBP, Bocock plans to continue to "help law associations assist lawyers by providing various supports and basic advocacy."

As the first Canadian to be elected into the executive council, he plans on "getting Canadian lawyers in this North American-wide organization and raising their profile."

The annual meeting for the NCBP is being held in Toronto next year and up to 6,000 lawyers will be coming from around the world. NCBP will receive much exposure to both the city of Toronto and to Canada's legal system.

The meeting may also help promote Bocock's vision of Canadians and



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