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Notice of Disbarment

On May 25, 2015, a Meeting of the Benchers of the Law Society of Alberta took place to consider the making of an order against Thomas Kenneth Viccars under section 83(4)(b) of the *Legal Profession Act.* The Benchers ordered that Mr. Viccars be disbarred, effective immediately.

Mr. Viccars was a suspended member of the Law Society at the time of his disbarment. He resides in Richmond, British Columbia. He practiced law between 1973 and 2010 primarily in Calgary, Alberta and briefly in Victoria, British Columbia.

Between 1993 and 1999, Mr. Viccars engaged in an income tax evasion scheme by providing false capital cost allowance documentation for the fiscal years 1994 and 1995 in respect of a partnership that Mr. Viccars set up and participated in to supposedly acquire, develop and market computer software. The scheme involved a number of innocent people. After a lengthy and complicated legal proceedings, on March 23, 2010, Mr. Viccars plead guilty to an indictable offence under section 239(1)(a) of the *Income Tax Act*. On November 4, 2010, Mr. Viccars was sentenced to a period of incarceration of 3 years and also ordered to pay a fine of \$703,935.35.

In view of the conviction of Mr. Viccars of the above referenced indictable offence, the Benchers concluded that the disbarment of Mr. Viccars was warranted. Accordingly, Mr. Viccars is no longer a member of the Law Society of Alberta.

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