### **STEP Canada Insider**

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### Welcome to the STEP Canada Insider!

With access to the monthly STEP Insider, readers will receive the latest news about branch activity, national conference updates, practitioner opportunities, education, and more!

### **Next Scheduled Branch/Chapter Events**

Click here to see YOUR next regional branch event



# **Practitioner Opportunities**

STEP Canada's Practitioner Opportunities service offers an electronic recruitment resource for the trust and estate industry. We are offering this recruitment tool to all STEP members at a discounted rate! Please visit our <u>Practitioner</u> <u>Opportunities</u> page for more information.

### **Current Opportunities**

<u>Associate Lawyer – Legacy Tax + Trust</u> Lawyers, Vancouver

Public Trustee Representative – Alberta Human Services, Edmonton

Regional Vice President, Wealth Planning (Tax Accountant) – CI Financial, Dorval

<u>Senior Advisor and Trust Officer – National</u> <u>Bank, Ottawa</u>

Senior Advisor and Trust Officer, Private Wealth 1859 – National Bank, Winnipeg



# **Education Center**

### **Qualified Practitioner Route**

Essay results are expected towards the end of October/beginning of November. Students will receive their marks via email.

#### **Diploma Route**

Trust and Estate Planning students (only): Exam location details for your **November 2** exam have been sent. Please contact<u>education@step.ca</u> if you have not received this information. All other Diploma students (Law of Trusts, Taxation of Trusts & Estates, Wills Trust & Estate Administration)

#### write on November 23.

Tutorial and exam location details will be sent out after Thanksgiving.

#### Certificate in Estate and Trust Administration (CETA)

Welcome to the STEP Canada student community to all CETA2 students! We look forward to your participation at local branch events and networking sessions. Senior Analyst, Trust Administrator – National Bank, Calgary

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Senior Will & Estate Planner – Scotiabank, Toronto

Tax and Accounting Associate, Internal Auditor – Legacy Private Trust, Toronto

Trust Officer - TD Bank Group, Ottawa



#### **Important Dates**

**October 14:** Fall Reception for Students in Toronto at Osgoode Hall, 5:00pm -7:00pm (complimentary)

**October 14:** <u>Fall Reception for Students</u> in London at the <u>Hilton London Hotel</u>, 5:30pm -7:30pm (*complimentary*)

**November 2:** Diploma Program exam sitting for Trust and Estate Planning students only

**November 23:** Diploma Program exam sitting for (paper-based, report to exam centre):

- Law of Trusts
- Taxation of Trusts and Estates
- Wills, Trust and Estate Administration

November 23: CETA exams

- (proctored and written online):
- CETA1 Foundations
- CETA2 Advanced Topics



### **Regional Branch Programs 2015-16**

STEP continues to deliver critical and relevant information essential to the trust and estate practice. We've started this education season with 10 successful events across the country. Take advantage of our educational programs by purchasing the STEP Value Passport, a member only all-access pass to branch events in your area (available for select STEP branches). Purchase your passport, or register for an event by visiting the <u>Programs & Seminars</u> section of the STEP Canada website and clicking on your applicable branch location.

# **STEP Inside Conference Issue**

The 2015 conference issue of STEP Inside, available in print and online, will be sent out to all members at the end of next week. Keep an eye on your inbox, and for those of you who have requested a printed copy, your mailbox. Included in the paper mailing is a listing of the latest industry topics being discussed at STEP branch events near you.

### **Certificate in Estate and Trust Administration**

STEP's self-study online CETA program is of value to individuals who want to start or advance their career, and to employers who want to seize the many business opportunities resulting from today's changing <page-header><section-header><section-header><section-header><section-header><section-header><section-header>

demographics. Organizations staffed by knowledgeable estate administrators and trust officers who can skillfully manage this changing market will attract new clients and business prospects. <u>Click here</u> to learn more about this educational offering.

The exam sitting for CETA1 and CETA2 is scheduled for **November 23, 2015**. Prepare yourself for examination day by taking advantage of our online CETA tutorial support, self-assessment quizzes, and

social media networking. The spring exam sitting will take place on May 30, 2016.

To register for CETA1 (Foundations of Estate and Trust Administration) and CETA2 (Advanced Topics in Estate and Trust Administration) courses, please visit the STEP Canada <u>website</u> for more information. For further inquiries, contact <u>education@step.ca</u>

# STEP Canada Presents its 2015-16 Board of Directors

STEP Canada was pleased to announce the 2015-16 Board of Directors in the September 30th Report on Business, Globe & Mail. An electronic copy of the notice can be viewed <u>here</u>.

### **Of Interest to Members**

The Continuing Legal Education Society of British Columbia (CLEBC) and the Canadian Centre for Elder Law (CCEL) in collaboration, present the 2015 Canadian Elder Law Conference, The Journey of Aging – the Law and Beyond. This 2 day conference will take place on Thursday, November 12 and Friday, November 13, 2015 in Vancouver. <u>Click here</u> for more information.

# **Upcoming Industry Events**

STEP Canada is raising awareness around the STEP organization by introducing university students to the specialization of trust & estate law. We'll be exhibiting at a number of career and education fairs across Canada this fall. You can also catch us networking with industry professionals at a selection of conferences and events in the months to come.

- October 22: York University Graduate & Professional Studies Expo (exhibiting)
- October 16: <u>CBA Will, Estate and Trust Fundamentals for Estate Practitioners</u> (presenting)
- October 26-27: <u>CTF's Ontario Tax Conference (exhibiting)</u>
- November 18-20: <u>FPSC Trust Matters CFP Professional Symposium 2015</u> (exhibiting in Toronto & Vancouver)

# **National Conference 2016 Dates**

STEP Canada's 18th National Conference is scheduled for **Thursday**, **June 9 - Friday June**, **10**, **2016** at the <u>Metro Toronto Convention Centre</u>. The 2016 National Conference Committee invites members to submit topic and presentation proposals to <u>jarmstrong@step.ca</u> for consideration.

### 2015/16 Upcoming Branch/Chapter Events

London & Southwestern Ontario	Toronto
October 14, 2015 <u>The New Rules: Will You and Your Client</u> <u>Be Ready?</u>	October 14, 2015 Powers of Attorney
Calgary	Winnipeg
October 20, 2015 <u>How to Create and Understand a Proper</u> <u>Financial Plan</u>	October 20, 2015 Shareholder Agreement Planning: Protecting the Interests of Business Owners
Ottawa	Edmonton
October 21, 2015 Changes to Post-Mortem Planning, Wills and Taxation at Death: 2016 Onwards	October 22, 2015 Graduated Rate Estate - Tax, Planning a Charitable Ramifications

and

#### Montreal

November 12, 2015 New Trust Rules & Graduated Rates

#### Vancouver

November 19, 2015 So You've Been Named as Executor/Trustee/Attorney – Now What? Risks and Strategies for Acting in This Role

#### Saskatchewan

January, 2016 Estate Planning – Tips and Traps

#### Atlantic

November 19, 2015 Planning Through Incapacity

#### Okanagan

January 13, 2016 <u>Estate Freezes & Trusts: Surprise! Your</u> <u>Client Has US</u> <u>Citizenship/Property/Children</u>

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