International Client Counseling Competition Committee 2007 AGM Country Report for Canada

I am writing to provide Canada 's Country Report for the 2007 AGM.

Canadian law schools participate in the American Bar Association (ABA) Client Counseling Competition. The ABA does an excellent job of organizing and hosting their events, that Canadian teams benefit from participating in. We thank the ABA for including our teams. The ABA competition is organized in two stages consisting of Regional events held in February, and a National final held in March. The highest ranking Canadian team through ABA competition is offered the opportunity of attending the International for Canada.

Eight Canadian teams entered competition this year from law schools across the country, an increase of one law school from previous years. The University of Victoria team of Brigeeta Richdale (first year student), and Nicole Smith (second year student), placed first in the ABA National event, and accordingly are also highest ranking Canadian team, representing Canada this year. The team is generously supported by the law firm Heenan Blaikie.

Professor Gillian Calder will attend as coach of the University of Victoria team, and has also agreed to attend the AGM as my alternate as Canadian National Representative.

Thank you to Frank Astil, the hosting committee, and the ICCC committee, for all your efforts organizing this year's International. I wish everyone well, and to enjoy an excellent event.

Regards,

Steve Perks National Representative Canada ICCC Committee