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BARRIE AREA MPP APPOINTED AS NEW ONTARIO ATTORNEY GENERAL

Premier **Doug Ford**, MPP (Etobicoke North) (front row, fifth from left) made significant changes to his cabinet on June 20, nearly one year after taking government. Mr. Ford appointed **Doug Downey**, MPP (Barrie—Springwater—Oro-Medonte) (back row, eighth from left) as the new Attorney General.

The new Finance Minister is **Rod Phillips**, MPP (Ajax) (back row, sixth from right). Former Attorney General **Caroline Mulroney**, MPP (York—Simcoe) (back row, seventh from left) is now Minister of Transportation. She also retains her responsibilities as Francophone Affairs Minister. For further information on the new Attorney General and the new Cabinet see pages 3 and 4.

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NEWS

MPP AND FORMER MINISTER DECLARES CANDIDACY FOR ONTARIO LIBERAL LEADERSHIP



Ontario Liberal leadership candidate **Michael Coteau**, MPP (LIB—Don Valley East) (right) at the Liberal party's 2019 Annual General Meeting held from June 7 to 9 at the International Centre in Mississauga.

With him are former Ministers **Dr. Eric Hoskins** (Health) (left) and **Jeff Leal** (Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs) (centre right), and former MPP **Granville Anderson** (centre left).

Michael Coteau, MPP (LIB—Don Valley East) officially announced his candidacy for the leadership of the Ontario Liberal Party in a Twitter [post](#) on June 16.

The party held their 2019 Annual General Meeting from June 7 to 9 at the International Centre in Mississauga, where they confirmed they would choose their next leader in a delegated convention on March 7, 2020.

Mr. Coteau, first elected in 2011, served as the Minister for various portfolios and is currently the critic for Infrastructure, Energy, Labour, Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade. He has been a strong supporter of PEO throughout his years in government.

The new leader will replace Interim Leader **John Fraser**, MPP (LIB—Ottawa South).

NEWS

BARRIE AREA MPP APPOINTED AS NEW ONTARIO ATTORNEY GENERAL



New Attorney General **Doug Downey**, MPP (Barrie—Springwater—Oro-Medonte) (third from left) was a guest speaker at the PEO Simcoe-Muskoka Chapter's Annual General Meeting and Licence Certificate Ceremony on March 31 in Barrie.

Also in this photo are (from left to right): Simcoe-Muskoka GLP Chair **Greg Merrill**, P.Eng., then-PEO East Central Region Councillor **Thomas Chong**, P.Eng., **Andrea Khanjin**, MPP (Barrie—Innisfil), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks, PEO East Central Region Councillor **Keivan Torabi**, P.Eng., and then-Simcoe-Muskoka Chapter Chair **Kevin Hughes**, P.Eng.

Doug Downey, MPP (Barrie—Springwater—Oro-Medonte) was appointed Attorney General on June 20, 2019.

Mr. Downey was first elected to the Legislature in June 2018 and was immediately appointed as the Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Finance.

His education background includes:

- BA from Wilfrid Laurier University
- Specialization in Judicial Administration at Brock University
- Law Degree from Dalhousie University
- Masters of Law, Municipal and Development Law from Osgoode Hall

Before entering the Legislature, he was a partner in his own law firm. Mr. Downey was also actively involved in the Ontario Bar Association from 2009-2018, as well as the Canadian Bar Association from 2013-2015.

Mr. Downey also held several provincial appointments before being elected to the Legislature, serving on expert panels for the “regulation of home inspectors” in 2013 and “business law reform” in 2015.

PEO is looking forward to working with him in his new capacity as Attorney General.

NEWS

PREMIER INTRODUCES NEW CABINET



Premier **Doug Ford**, MPP (Etobicoke North) unveiled major changes to his cabinet at a swearing-in ceremony held on June 20 in the Lieutenant Governor's Suite at Queen's Park in Toronto. Only eight ministers retained their portfolio, while five new ministers were appointed.

- **Peter Bethlenfalvy**, MPP (Pickering—Uxbridge), President of the Treasury Board
- **Paul Calandra**, MPP (Markham—Stouffville), Government House Leader
- **Raymond Cho**, MPP (Scarborough North), Seniors and Accessibility
- **Steve Clark**, MPP (Leeds—Grenville—Thousand Islands and Rideau Lakes), Municipal Affairs and Housing
- **Doug Downey**, MPP (Barrie—Springwater—Oro-Medonte), Attorney General
- **Jill Dunlop**, MPP (Simcoe North), Children and Women's Issues (Associate)
- **Christine Elliott**, MPP (Newmarket—Aurora), Deputy Premier and Health
- **Vic Fedeli**, MPP (Nipissing), Economic Development, Job Creation and Trade and Cabinet Chair
- **Merrilee Fullerton**, MPP (Kanata—Carleton), Long-Term Care
- **Ernie Hardeman**, MPP (Oxford), Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs
- **Sylvia Jones**, MPP (Dufferin—Caledon), Solicitor General
- **Stephen Lecce**, MPP (King—Vaughan), Education
- **Lisa MacLeod**, MPP (Nepean), Tourism, Culture and Sport
- **Monte McNaughton**, MPP (Lambton—Kent—Middlesex), Labour
- **Caroline Mulroney**, MPP (York—Simcoe), Transportation and Francophone Affairs
- **Rod Phillips**, MPP (Ajax), Finance
- **Greg Rickford**, MPP (Kenora—Rainy River), Energy, Northern Development and Mines and Indigenous Affairs
- **Ross Romano**, MPP (Sault Ste. Marie), Training, Colleges and Universities
- **Prabmeet Sarkaria**, MPP (Brampton South), Small Business and Red Tape Reduction (Associate)
- **Laurie Scott**, MPP (Haliburton—Kawartha Lakes—Brock), Infrastructure
- **Todd Smith**, MPP (Bay of Quinte), Children, Community and Social Services
- **Kinga Surma**, MPP (Etobicoke Centre), Transportation (GTA) (Associate)
- **Lisa Thompson**, MPP (Huron—Bruce), Government and Consumer Services
- **Michael Tibollo**, MPP (Vaughan—Woodbridge), Mental Health and Addictions (Associate)
- **Bill Walker**, MPP (Bruce—Grey—Owen Sound), Energy (Associate)
- **John Yakabuski**, MPP (Renfrew—Nipissing—Pembroke), Natural Resources and Forestry
- **Jeff Yurek**, MPP (Elgin—Middlesex—London), Environment, Conservation and Parks

EVENTS WITH MPPs

NDP LEADER WINS 84 PERCENT APPROVAL AT CONVENTION



Ontario New Democratic Party Leader **Andrea Horwath**, MPP (Hamilton Centre) with federal NDP leader **Jagmeet Singh**, MP (Burnaby South) at the Ontario NDP's 2019 Convention held from June 14 to 16 at the Hamilton Convention Centre.

(HAMILTON) — The Ontario New Democratic Party held their annual convention from June 14 to 16 at the Hamilton Convention Centre.

Over 1,500 delegates affirmed **Andrea Horwath**, MPP (Hamilton Centre) as the party's leader.

The long-time MPP achieved 84 percent support from delegates.

Last year, Ms. Horwath increased her caucus in the Ontario legislature from 18 to 40 MPPs.

At the convention, Ms. Horwath announced a new platform on climate change titled the *Green New Democratic Deal*.

Federal NDP Leader **Jagmeet Singh**, MP (Burnaby South) also spoke at the convention about his plan to expand healthcare.

Both Ms. Horwath and Mr. Singh are long-time participants in PEO regulatory activities.

Ms. Horwath was the guest speaker at the 2016 PEO/Ontario Society of Professional Engineers (OPSE) Government Relations Conference and Mr. Singh has been a regular participant in several GLP academies, congresses, and chapter events.

Mr. Singh served as an MPP for the riding of Bramalea—Gore—Matlon and as the Deputy Leader of the Ontario NDP from 2015 to 2017, prior to his election as the federal leader.

PEO NEWS

PEO'S WORK HIGHLIGHTED BY ONTARIO LEGISLATURE INTERNSHIP PROGRAMME IN BLOG POST



PEO Government Liaison Programs Manager **Jeannette Chau**, P.Eng., (front row, third from left) hosted the Ontario Legislature Internship Programme (OLIP) Interns at PEO's headquarters in Toronto on May 31. On her right is PEO Regulatory Policy Research Analyst **Rochelle Pereira-Alvares**. Also in attendance was PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown** (back row, left).

The OLIP Interns are, in the front row (left to right): **Nikki Romano**, **Janessa Duran**, **Linda Bui**, and **Munisha Basiram**. In the back row (left to right): **Nishani Chankar**, **Peter Supierz-Szczyglowski**, **Clara Pasieka**, **Jad El Tal**, **Braelyn Guppy**, and **Hudson Manning**.

PEO was featured in a June 13 [post](#) in the *Sponsor Spotlights* section of the blog *OLIP Unplugged*, which is published by the Ontario Legislature Internship Programme.

It thanked PEO for hosting the interns on May 31 at the 12th Annual Open Forum at their headquarters in Toronto.

PEO was recognized for its extensive history with OLIP as a sponsor and longtime supporter of the programme.

The blog said that they were "delighted and grateful to be welcomed [at PEO] where we shared a bit about ourselves, this OLIP year, and the academic papers we wrote." Each intern publishes a policy paper on an issue of public interest dealing with the legislature.

It also said that "we learned about the operations and importance of a regulatory body like PEO and how they function through changing political climates."

Many of the interns go on to political careers as permanent staffers and developing good relationships early helps in elevating PEO's profile. OLIP thanked PEO for their support of the programme.

PEO would like to extend thanks to the interns for their kind feedback.



EVENTS WITH MPPs

PEO REPRESENTED AT MPP ONE-YEAR ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION



Robin Martin, MPP (PC—Eglinton—Lawrence), Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Health held a one-year anniversary celebration event on June 12 at Chalkers Pub in Toronto.

Robin Martin, MPP (PC—Eglinton—Lawrence) held a one-year anniversary event on June 12 at Chalkers Pub in Toronto.

The event was a celebration of the one-year mark since Ms. Martin’s election in June 2018.

Ms. Martin is now the Parliamentary Assistant to Deputy Premier and Minister of Health **Christine Elliott**, MPP (PC—Newmarket—Aurora).

She first ran as a candidate for the Progressive Conservatives in 2014 before winning her election in 2018.

PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown** attended the celebration and spoke to MPP Martin about PEO.

Mr. Brown suggested that Ms. Martin participate in an upcoming licence presentation ceremony for her local PEO Chapter of West Toronto.

Ms. Martin agreed and advised that her late father was a civil engineer, and that her brother is also an engineer.

NEWS

LEGISLATURE ADJOURNED UNTIL AFTER FEDERAL ELECTION

The Ontario government has adjourned the legislature until after the federal election on October 21.

Government House Leader **Todd Smith**, MPP (PC—Bay of Quinte) made the announcement on June 5 that the legislature will return on October 28.

The government was originally scheduled to return to Queen’s Park on September 6.

In a statement, they cited the “unprecedented pace” at which they have legislated and how they have accomplished 38 platform commitments.



The Ontario Legislative Building in Toronto.

EVENTS WITH FORMER MPPs

ENGINEERING GRAD AND FORMER PREMIERS HONOUR 17TH PRIME MINISTER



(OTTAWA) — Rt. Hon. Prime Minister Justin Trudeau, MP (LIB—Papineau) with former Prime Minister Rt. Hon John Turner at his 90th birthday dinner on June 10 in the Sir John A. MacDonald Building on Parliament Hill in Ottawa.

(OTTAWA) — McMaster University engineering grad **Howard Shearer**, CEO of Hitachi Canada (top left), was one of the guests at a tribute celebrating the 90th birthday of former Prime Minister **John Turner**.

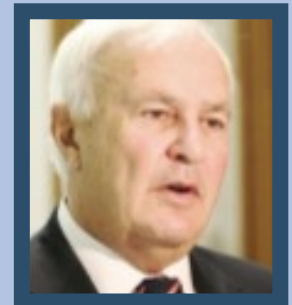
Guest speakers included Prime Minister **Justin Trudeau**, MP (LIB—Papineau), and former Prime Ministers **Joe Clark**, **Jean Chrétien**, and **Paul Martin** in-person, as well as **Brian Mulroney**, **Kim Campbell**, and **Stephen Harper** by video.

The event was held on June 10 in the Sir John A. MacDonald Building on Parliament Hill in Ottawa. For more on this event click [here](#).

Also attending the event were former Ontario Premiers **David Peterson** (top right) and **Bob Rae** (bottom left), as well as former Ontario Minister **Eleanor McMahon** (bottom right) and PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown**.

Mr. Shearer had a chance to speak with many of the guests.

Mr. Turner, who previously served as the Minister of Finance, Justice, and Consumer and Corporate Affairs has had a long-time interest in regulatory affairs.



GLP TRIVIA CONTEST

CONGRATULATIONS to former PEO Councillor **Roger Jones**, P.Eng., for being the first to submit the correct answer to:

Question: *Which MPP attended the Scarborough Business Association's event on May 22?*

Answer: Aris Babikian, MPP (PC—Scarborough—Agincourt)

This week's question: *Which MPP attended a dinner for the Iranian Crown Prince Reza Pahlavi on June 1 in Richmond Hill?*

Join the Contest: Test your knowledge of the *GLP Weekly* with our weekly trivia question! Send your answers to **Jeannette Chau** at jchau@peo.on.ca by Monday, June 24. **You may only win once in a four-week span.**



Roger Jones, P.Eng., is the winner of this week's GLP Trivia contest.

UPCOMING MPP EVENTS

Saturday, June 22 – Ford Fest 2019 featuring Premier Doug Ford, MPP (Etobicoke North) from 5 to 9 PM at the Markham Fairgrounds, 10801 McCowan Road, Markham, Ontario, L3P 3J3. Attendance is free. To RSVP visit: <https://www.ontariopc.ca/fordfest2019>

NEW! Tuesday, June 25 – Bay of Quinte PC Association Evening with Todd Smith, MPP (PC – Bay of Quinte), Minister of Children, Community and Social Services from 6 to 8 PM at the Royal Canadian Military Institute (RCMI), 426 University Avenue, Toronto, Ontario, M5G 1S9. Tickets are \$500. To purchase visit: https://boqpc.ontariopc.ca/an_evening_with_todd_smith_mpp

Tuesday, June 25 – Join Rudy Cuzzetto, MPP (Mississauga–Lakeshore), Jill Dunlop, MPP (Simcoe North), Donna Skelly, MPP (Flamborough–Glanbrook), and Effie Triantafilopoulos, MPP (Oakville North – Burlington) for Mississauga–Lakeshore PC Women in Politics from 6:30 to 9 PM at Posta Italbar Cucina, 31 Lakeshore Road East, Unit 102, Mississauga, Ontario, L5G 4V5. Tickets are \$50. To purchase visit: https://mississaugalakeshore.ontariopc.ca/pc_women_in_politics_at_posta

Wednesday, June 26 – Humber River – Black Creek: Dinner and Celebration with Tom Rakocevic, MPP (NDP – Humber River – Black Creek), Government Services and Consumer Protection Critic from 5:30 to 7:30 PM at Speducci Mercato, 44 Milford Avenue, Toronto, Ontario, M6M 2V8. Tickets start at \$150. To purchase contact: NDPHumberRiverBlackCreek@gmail.com

Wednesday, June 26 – A Summer Reception with Jessica Bell, MPP (NDP – University – Rosedale), Transit Critic from 6:30 to 8:30 PM at The Monarch Tavern, 12 Clinton Street, Toronto, Ontario, M6J 2N8. Tickets start at \$250. To purchase contact: friendsofjessicabell@gmail.com

NEW! Wednesday, June 26 – 2019 Toronto Region Board of Trade Annual Lunch featuring keynote address by Mayor and former MPP John Tory from 12 to 1:30 PM at The Westin Harbour Castle, Frontenac Ballroom – Conference Centre Side, 1 Harbour Square, Toronto, Ontario, M5J 1A6. Tickets are \$84 for members and \$104 for non-members. Link to purchase: <https://bit.ly/2Mw7QTC>

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