

## Vote Steven Schillaci for Councillor-at -Large

For 100 years, PEO relied on the marketplace to ensure the ongoing competence of engineers. There is solid and enduring reasoning for this: Continuous learning is required of all of us to remain employable. *No one has ever shown that there exists a competence problem in Ontario's engineers. **CPD is a solution in search of a problem.***

In our profiles, we are asked to identify one or more of 51 disciplines, but *each of these disciplines is evolving*. For PEO or any single organization to dictate remediation for 89,000 unique engineers is an exercise in futility – *bureaucratic, intrusive, and expensive* futility.

As an engineer/accountant, I know the 'power of the purse' can control burgeoning bureaucracies such as "PEAK".

The government of Ontario has recently imposed new requirements on us: We must evaluate qualifications acquired outside of Ontario much faster. We have to be fairer to out-of-province applicants.

A PEO member since 1976, I bring a fresh outsider's perspective on Council to address these and other emerging issues.

I offer:

- **"Stick to the knitting"**: We exist "to regulate the practice of professional engineering and to govern its members in order that the public interest may be served and protected".
- **Skills as a professionally trained accountant**. PEO needs strong financial oversight to keep operations efficient and dues low.

Membership alienation threatens our self-governing profession. I am committed to openness with our members and sincere appreciation of the volunteers who serve on Council, committees, and chapters.

Most critically: To maintain our self-regulatory status and to ensure our profession grows, licensing must offer *value* and be seen as worthwhile.

I ask for your support as Councillor-at-Large.

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