



### Government Liaison Program



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Treasury Board President and Minister of Francophone Affairs, **Caroline Mulroney**, MPP (York—Simcoe) (centre left), hosted a Civic Holiday event in East Gwillimbury on August 5. With her in the photo are Premier **Doug Ford**, MPP (Etobicoke North) (centre right), York Chapter's GLP Chair **Reza Mahmoudipour**, P.Eng. (left), and GLP Rep **Brian Carruthers**, P.Eng. (right).

# PREMIER AND PEO YORK CHAPTER GLP REPS PARTICIPATE IN MINISTER'S EVENT

EAST GWILLIMBURY - Premier Doug Ford, MPP (Etobicoke North), had an opportunity to meet two

PEO York Chapter representatives at a Civic Holiday event hosted by Treasury Board President **Caroline Mulroney**, MPP (York—Simcoe), on August 5. The event was held at the Holland Landing Community Centre in East Gwillimbury. Chapter GLP Chair **Reza Mahmoudipour**, P.Eng., and Rep **Brian Carruthers**, P.Eng., met with the Minister in her office last year for a full briefing on licensing issues. Minister Mulroney is also the Minister of Francophone Affairs.

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#### **PUBLIC SERVICE NEWS**

## DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL TAKES ON NEW POSTS AS DEPUTIES SHUFFLED

Premier **Doug Ford** (Etobicoke North) has announced eight new Deputy Minister appointments including new responsibilities for the Deputy Attorney General, **David Corbett**.

Deputy Corbett has been given additional roles as Deputy Minister of Northern Development, Indigenous Affairs, and First Nations Economic Reconciliation. He was appointed as Deputy Attorney General in 2020 after serving as the Deputy Minister of Labour, Training and Skills Development. He is also the former Chair of the Workplace Safety and Insurance Appeals Tribunal. The *Professional Engineers Act* is under the authority of the Ministry of the Attorney General.



- Jonathan Lebi as Deputy Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks
- Martha Greenberg as Deputy Minister of Rural Affairs, in addition to her existing role as Deputy Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing
- Jason Fitzsimmons as Deputy Minister of Finance
- Shawn Batise as Deputy Minister of Mines
- Nosa Ero-Brown as Deputy Minister of Citizenship and Multiculturalism
- Susanna Laaksonen-Craig as Deputy Minister of Energy and Electrification
- Keith Palmer as Deputy Minister of Sport



David Corbett
Deputy Attorney
General



Jonathan Lebi Deputy Minister of Environment, Conservation & Parks



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Rural Affairs



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#### **PEO CHAPTER NEWS**

## PEO SCARBOROUGH CHAPTER VICE CHAIR SPEAKS WITH MINISTER AT LOCAL EVENT

**Santosh Gupta**, P.Eng., Vice Chair of the PEO Scarborough Chapter, participated in an annual community event hosted by **Vijay Thanigasalam**, MPP (Scarborough—Rouge Park), Associate Minister of Housing, at Canmore Park in Scarborough on August 10.

Mr. Gupta told the *GLP Weekly Times* that Minister Thanigasalam "was happy to see a representative of Scarborough Chapter of PEO attending his community BBQ" and thanked him for the updates. He mentioned that the Minister "showed interest in knowing about other future initiatives of PEO."

Mr. Gupta explained how PEO revised its licensing process to comply with the requirements of FARPACTA, including removing the 12-month Canadian work experience requirement.

Minister Thanigasalam and Mr. Gupta also participated in another PEO Scarborough Chapter event together earlier this summer on June 8.



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#### **QUEEN'S PARK NEWS**

#### **NEW MINISTERS ANNOUNCED**



**Todd Smith**, Former MPP (Bay of Qunite)



Jill Dunlop, MPP (Simcoe North)



Nolan Quinn, MPP (Stormont—Dundas —South Glengarry)



Kevin Holland, MPP (Thunder Bay— Atikokan)



Graham McGregor, MPP (Brampton North)

Education Minister **Todd Smith**, MPP (Bay of Quinte) has resigned as both a Minister and an MPP effective August 16, 2024. This has resulted in the reassignment of the following MPPs:

- Jill Dunlop, MPP (Simcoe North) is the new Minister of Education
- Nolan Quinn, MPP (Stormont—Dundas—South Glengarry) is the new Minister of Colleges and Universities
- **Kevin Holland**, MPP (Thunder Bay—Atikokan) is the new Associate Minister of Forestry and Forest Products
- Graham McGregor, MPP (Brampton North) is the new Associate Minister of Auto Theft and Bail Reform



### WHAT ARE THE GOALS OF PEO GOVERNMENT LIAISON PROGRAM?

The goals of PEO's Government Liaison Program (GLP) are:

- To ensure that the government, PEO licence holders and the public continue to recognize its regulatory mandate, in particular its contributions to maintaining the highest level of professionalism among engineers working in the public interest.
- To have the government view PEO as a partner and understand and support PEO's policy direction.

Through the *Professional Engineers Act*, PEO governs more than 91,500 licence and certificate holders and regulates and advances engineering practice in Ontario to protect the public interest. Professional engineering safeguards life, health, property, economic interests, the public welfare and the environment.

Past issues are available on the PEO Government Liaison Program (GLP) website at https://www.peo.on.ca/about-peo/glp-weekly-newsletter

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