

## **Sample Legal Application Questions**

Many of the questions contained in the application do require thought and the collection of information. Therefore, we suggested you review this document which will allow you to write your answers in advance. You will then be able to copy and paste your responses directly into the application form.

### **General**

1. Please tell us why you wish to join the Office of the Children's Lawyer Personal Rights Legal Panel.

### **Personal and Professional Suitability**

1. Have you been admonished or disciplined by LSUC or any other Bar Association or professional organization? If so, please describe.
2. Do you have a criminal record? If so, please describe:
3. Have you been charged with a criminal offence where the proceedings of the court are not yet finalized? If so, please describe:
4. Have you ever been the subject of an investigation by any children's aid society or child protection agency (other than as a subject child)? If so, please describe:
5. Have you ever been listed on the Child Abuse Register? If so, please describe:
6. Have you ever been the subject of an order prohibiting or restricting contact with a child (i.e. restraining order or peace bond)? If so, please describe:
7. Have you ever been involved in a personal capacity in a proceeding involving the Office of the Children's Lawyer? If so, please describe:

## **Education and Professional Development**

1. Do you have specialized experience/training (other than OCL training) in any of the following areas? And if so, please provide details:
  - Mental Health Issues
  - Cultural Issues
  - Substance Abuse
  - Sexual Abuse/Trauma
  - Domestic Violence
  - Dispute Resolution
  - Other Relevant Areas
2. Please list the continuing education programs you have attended in the last two (2) years.
3. Have you taught any courses or made any presentations in the last five (5) years (i.e. at conferences)? If yes, please provide details:
4. Have you published any books or articles on topics that might be relevant to work on the OCL Panel? If yes, please provide details:

## **Professional Experience**

1. Please provide a brief summary of your family law experience.
2. Please list three (3) courts that you have appeared in most in the last three (3) years.
3. Please list the number of matters taken to trial in the last three (3) years.
4. Please list the total number of days spent in trial in the last three 3 years.
5. Please describe your professional/extracurricular/personal work with children and youth.
6. Are you involved in any community or civic activities that might help with your work on the OCL panel? (e.g. volunteering, community involvement)
7. When specifically considering the needs of children and youth in your local community, what have you observed to be the most significant service gaps?
8. Are you involved in any professional associations? If yes, please list: