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Intervention before the SCC: Litigation Privilege

On March 24, 2016, The Advocates' Society made oral submissions as an intervener in *Lizotte v. Aviva Insurance Company of Canada* before the Supreme Court of Canada. The Society argued for the protection of litigation privilege in the face of a broad legislative provision requiring the production of all documents related to a claim under investigation. The Court has reserved its decision. The Society's factum is available [here](#). The Society was represented by Doug Mitchell and Audrey Boctor, *Irving Mitchell Kalichman*, Montreal.



LSUC Consultation: Compliance-Based Entity Regulation

On March 31, 2016, The Advocates' Society made submissions, as recommended by SCAP, to the Law Society of Upper Canada in response to the LSUC's consultation on compliance-based entity regulation. The Society raised a number of considerations and concerns with regard to the impact such a regulatory model would have on law firms, and in particular sole practitioners and small firms . The Society's submissions are available [here](#).



Intervention before the SCC: Solicitor-Client Privilege

On April 1, 2016, The Advocates' Society made oral submissions as an intervener in *Information and Privacy Commissioner of Alberta v. University of Calgary* before the Supreme Court of Canada. The Society argued that express statutory language was required to displace the protection of solicitor-client privilege. The Court has reserved its decision. The Society's factum is available [here](#). The Society was represented by Perry Mack, Q.C. and Edward Halt, Q.C., *Peacock Linder Halt & Mack LLP*, Calgary.

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- initiate, promote or respond to changes in legislation and regulation;
- promote the fairest and most accessible determination of litigants' rights;
- work to enhance the ability of advocates to act effectively on behalf of their clients, through liaison with the judiciary, government and other stakeholders;
- promote the independence of the bar and judiciary; and
- consider and recommend interventions, in accordance with the Interventions Policy, to the Board of Directors.

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