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Sept 27, 2023

Dear Applicant:

Thank you for your interest in becoming a candidate for the upcoming Law Students' Society Elections. We appreciate your commitment and welcome you as a candidate!

The following positions are available for nomination:

Director of 1L Issues (2 Positions)

Director of 2L Issues (2 Positions)

Director of 3L Issues (2 Positions)

Director of Indigenous & Northern Issues(1 Position)

The governing legislation for the election process is available online at <https://www.lakeheadlss.com>. Please review the Law Students' Society Constitution located under the 'Members-Governance' tab.

Please take time to carefully read all the documents that have been given to you and return your nomination package as a hard copy or by email to the Chief Returning Officer (CRO) or Deputy Returning Officer (DRO) between now and September 30, 2023. You can commence your campaign after you have submitted your nomination. If any questions or concern arises during the nomination or campaign period, do not hesitate to contact the CRO or DRO. We wish you all the best of luck with your campaign and applaud your efforts.

Sincerely,

Laura Ogden
Chief Returning Officer
LSS President

Kaitie Lawson-Rimmer
Deputy Returning Officer
LSS VP Communications

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CRUCIAL DATES

Nominations Open	8:00 am Thursday, September 28, 2023
Nominations Close	11:59pm Saturday, September 30, 2023
All Candidates Meeting (Mandatory)	12:00pm Monday, October 2, 2023
Beginning of Campaign Period	8:00am Tuesday, October 3, 2023
Close of Campaign Period	11:59pm Thursday, October 5, 2023
Voting Days (Online)	October 6-7, 2023
"Ballot" Counting	7:30pm Tuesday, October 10, 2023



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- Voting will be executed through Google forms and will be conducted by LSS Executive Only
- Voting will close at 5:59pm Saturday, October 7, 2023.
- Scrutineers MUST be available for a 7:30pm Zoom meeting on Tuesday, October 10th for “ballot” counting. Each scrutineer will receive access to the voting form to review results.

Election Reminders

- Completed Nomination Forms must be submitted to Laura Ogden (CRO) or Kaitee Lawson-Rimmer (DRO), no later than 11:59pm Saturday, September 30, 2023. All nomination forms will be accepted via email.
- You must have completed your nomination form by the deadline. Included on the form must be the name of your scrutineer/nominator; if this changes you must inform the CRO and DRO in writing via email.
- Nominations shall be submitted in writing, signed by the nominee, nominator/scrutineer and the CRO/DRO. The nominator/scrutineer must be a student of the Bora Laskin Faculty of Law.
- During the nomination process, potential candidates may communicate their platform on a one-to-one verbal basis with potential nominators/scrutineers.
- Candidates are to remind their designated scrutineer that they must attend the LSS Zoom meeting on **Tuesday, October 10th, 2023, at 7:30pm** to review the voting results. Failure of a scrutineer to be present will result in the disqualification of the candidate they are representing.

Campaigning Rules

- The campaign period will begin at 8:00am on Tuesday, October 3, 2023.
- All posters must be submitted and approved by the CRO or DRO and cannot be posted until they have been approved (by email response of the CRO or DRO).
- Candidates are limited to a total of 75 regular sized (8.5” by 11”) posters. Posters that are larger will be taken into consideration and their size will be calculated.
- Each candidate is limited to \$75.00 for the cost of campaigning materials. These monies should be from the candidate’s own personal fund. Your scrutineer must hand in all receipts from campaign purchases before ballot counting (pictures of receipts emailed to CRO/DRO will be accepted). Items that a candidate already has in their possession will be calculated accordingly at the discretion of the CRO and DRO.
- Campaigns must be conducted in a suitable manner, subject to the discretion of the CRO and DRO. Campaigning must not harm others, the LSS or Lakehead University’s reputation or property.
- No candidates may slander another candidate or be libelous to each other.
- No campaign shall run jointly where two or more candidates run for office as a team.
- Campaigns must adhere to local and provincial social distancing regulations.
- The Lakehead University or LSS logos, Lakehead University Staff, and other LSS Board Directors are **not** to be used on any campaign materials (ex. posters, social media, email, t- shirts). Using these implies that Lakehead University and/or the LSS are endorsing your campaign.



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- Candidates may use any platform of campaigning, including but not limited to, Email, Social Media, clothing, posters, and class talks. All campaign materials must fall in line with all campaign rules. We suggest if you are unsure of a campaigning method to ask the CRO and DRO.
- Any rule violations will be counted as a “strike”. If a candidate has three “strikes” they will be disqualified.
- Any student and staff member are free to inform the CRO or DRO of any complaints and concerns they have with any candidate. All complaints and concerns will be dealt with on a case-by-case basis by the CRO and DRO. The CRO and DRO will be making all decisions together.
- Any formal complaints must be made in writing and given to the CRO and DRO within 24 hours.
- Any formal appeals must be made in writing and given to the CRO and DRO within 24 hours.
- Any formal appeals of the decisions made by the CRO and DRO must be made in writing and sent to the LSS Board of Directors within 24 hours.



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Nomination Form

I, _____ would like to nominate _____, for
the position of _____.

Nominee Contact Information

Please ensure this form is filled out in its entirety, as this will be the means for contact during the electoral process for information and questions.

Name of candidate: _____.

Position sought: _____.

Candidate's email: _____.

Candidate's phone #: _____.

Scrutineer

If you have been asked by a candidate to be a scrutineer, please keep the following in mind:

1. You may not nominate anyone else for any position.
2. You may not currently sit on the LSS Board of Directors. You must be available on Tuesday, October 10, 2023 at 7:30pm to count votes. This will happen over Zoom.

Name of Nominator/Scrutineer: _____.

Scrutineer/Nominator signature: _____.

Candidate signature: _____.

CRO/DRO signature: _____.