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### **IWIRC Ontario Network – Member News and 2022 Year in Review**

2022 was a great year! The IWIRC Ontario Network would like to thank each of you for your contributions over the past year. Thanks to all of you who attended our virtual and in-person events, shared photos and encouraged new members to join.

#### **Member News**

- **Rachel Bengino** recently joined the partnership at Thornton Grout Finnigan LLP.
- **Eva Smoluch** has been promoted to National Director at Ritchie Bros.
- **Toni Vanderlaan** was a panelist on the CAIRP panel discussing how to handle challenging situations: *CAIRP Webinar On-Demand: Just breathe, you'll get through this. Some difficult lessons learned.*
- **Saneea Tanvir** and **Natasha MacParland** engaged in a OBA roundtable discussion with Justice Osborne [Commercial List] on how to succeed in an insolvency practice.

Congratulations to all of these amazing achievements!

We are dedicated to promoting all of our members' professional achievements through social media and the IWIRC's international website so that our hard work is recognized. Please provide us with your news and we would be pleased to promote it across the Ontario Network and internationally!

#### **2022 IWIRC Ontario Events**

Here is a look back at some of our favourite moments from 2022:

## Annual General Meeting and Virtual Cooking Class

On March 28, 2022, members attended IWIRC Ontario Network's Annual General Meeting followed by a virtual cooking night. Participating members prepared tacos, slaw, guacamole, and green rice. This event was presented by Carolyn Tanner Cohen of Delicious Dish.



## Social at Toronto Island Yacht Club

On June 9, 2022, IWIRC Ontario Network members participated in a social at the Toronto Island Yacht Club to spend the afternoon and evening taking part in activities and games, networking, and enjoying dinner and drinks.



## Health and Wellness Social

On August 23, 2022, members of the Ontario network joined an interactive workshop led by Laura Jackson, M.A. (Certified Personal Trainer and Nutritional Coach, National Level Figure Competitor, and 2022 Canadian Physique Alliance champion). Topics covered included healthy eating while working, tips and tricks to stay active, and the benefits of exercise and nutrition.

The workshop was followed by smoothies, light snacks, and networking on the Deloitte Terrace.



## U.S. & Canada Insolvency Regime Panel Discussion

On October 25, 2022, participants joined an all female panel of experts to learn about the differences between the U.S. and Canadian insolvency regimes.

The panelists were Michelle Grant (PwC), Stephanie Wanke (Thomson Reuters), Jennifer Lyday (Waldrep Wall Babcock & Bailey PLLC) and Amanda Steele (Richards, Layton & Finger, P.A.). The panel was moderated by Stacey Greenbaum (Deloitte).

It was an informative and lively discussion!





### **Festive High Tea at the Windsor Arms**

On December 12, 2022, the IWIRC Ontario Network hosted its annual High-Tea event at the Windsor Arms Hotel where members had an opportunity to network before the holidays.

Participating members were invited to donate to the Shoebox Project, a charitable organization that works with local shelters to deliver shoeboxes full of essential items, personal hygiene, and small gifts for women during the holiday season. Approximately 50 shoeboxes were donated and the IWIRC Ontario Network donated \$500 to the organization.



### **Upcoming Events – Stay Tuned!**

The IWIRC Ontario Network has many events in store for 2023. The IWIRC Ontario Network's 2023 Annual General Meeting will take place in March 2023, with more information to follow in the coming weeks. Please stay tuned for news about our other upcoming events! We look forward to connecting with all of you in 2023!

**Thank you!**