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**LAWPRO® announces changes in claims departments**

**Toronto, Ontario, July 20, 2011:** LAWPRO has announced the following appointments in its two claims departments.

**Specialty Claims**

LAWPRO's Specialty Claims Department is responsible for handling, among others, TitlePLUS and Excess Insurance claims and claims involving coverage issues.

Effective September 1, 2011, **Simon Bernstein** will become Vice-President, Specialty Claims, replacing Jerzy Adamowicz who will be retiring at the end of August.

Mr. Bernstein is currently Assistant Vice-President, Underwriting at LAWPRO. In his new role, Mr. Bernstein will be drawing on his extensive experience in claims management, loss control, risk management and underwriting during his 20-year career in private practice and in the financial services industry. Prior to joining LAWPRO, he was Assistant Vice-President, Financial and Professional Services Claims (Canada) at St. Paul Travelers Insurance Company.

**Mitchell Goldberg** is appointed to the position of Unit Director and Counsel in the Specialty Claims Department. A member of the LAWPRO claims group since 2003, Mr. Goldberg has played an important role within the Specialty Claims Department in managing TitlePLUS claims and LAWPRO's fraud claims.

**Victoria Margolin** and **Joseph Juda** are appointed to the positions of Claims Counsel. Both have recently completed their articles with LAWPRO.

**Primary Professional Liability Claims**

The Primary Professional Liability Claims Department manages most of LAWPRO's portfolio of errors & omissions claims.

In the PPL group, **Jennifer Ip** and **Cynthia Martin** are each taking on more senior assignments as Unit Director and Counsel, heading the two PPL litigation units.

Since joining LAWPRO in 1998, **Ms. Ip** has held positions in the litigation and new claims units, with responsibility for a number of our more complex litigation files.

A member of the LAWPRO claims group since 1995, **Ms. Martin** has been responsible for the overall management of bodily injury claims files at LAWPRO in addition to other complex litigation files.

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**Dale Herceg** will be assuming the position of Senior Claims Counsel in the PPL new claims group, headed by Unit Director Domenic Bellacicco. He has been with LAWPRO since 2006.

### **About LAWPRO**

Lawyers' Professional Indemnity Company (LAWPRO) is owned by the Law Society of Upper Canada and licensed to provide professional liability insurance and title insurance in numerous jurisdictions across Canada. Through its malpractice insurance program, LAWPRO insures about 22,800 practising lawyers in Ontario, as well as providing them with risk and practice management programs to assist them in their law practices. In 2010, Ontario lawyers reported more than 2,200 claims to LAWPRO and associated costs topped the \$80 million mark for the fourth consecutive year.

LAWPRO's TitlePLUS<sup>®</sup> title insurance program is used by Canadian lawyers and Quebec notaries to better meet their clients' needs for professional legal advice and superior protection for their real estate transactions.

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