

## **CBA Environmental Resources Law North and South**

### **2020-2021 Meetings**

Section activities in the year were limited to holding of three section meetings, all of which were joint meetings between the Environmental and Resources Law (North) section and the Environmental and Resources Law (South) section. The section meetings were conducted by Zoom only, as a result of the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

The following is an outline of the date, speaker, topic and chair for each of the section meetings:

1. Navigating Project Development under the Federal *Species at Risk Act* in Saskatchewan (September 3, 2020) – this section meeting was chaired by Angela Stolz, chair of the South section. Janis Walton of Blake Cassels & Graydon LLP in Vancouver made a presentation regarding the application and implication of the Federal *Species at Risk Act* for project development in Saskatchewan.
2. Planning a Sustainable Power Generation System for SaskPower (November 30, 2020) – this section meeting was chaired by Chad Eggerman, chair of the North section. Doug Opseth, Director, Generation Asset Management and Resource Planning at SaskPower made a presentation regarding recent initiatives at SaskPower regarding sustainable power development into the future in Saskatchewan.
3. Review of Arguments in Constitutional Reference before the Supreme Court of Canada (April 8, 2021) – this section meeting was chaired by Angela Stolz, chair of the South section. Mitch McAdam, Q.C. and Alan Jacobson, Q.C. of the Saskatchewan Department of Justice, and Deron Kuski, Q.C. of MLT Aikins LLP made a presentation regarding arguments made on behalf of the Federal Government and the Saskatchewan Government in the recently released decision of the Supreme Court of Canada in relation to the constitutionality of *The Greenhouse Gas Pollution Pricing Act (Canada)*.

Based on the participation of the members and the feedback received post-presentation, each presentation made at the section meetings was well received and informative.