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Via email: [David.Lametti@parl.gc.ca](mailto:David.Lametti@parl.gc.ca); [mcu@justice.gc.ca](mailto:mcu@justice.gc.ca)

The Honourable David Lametti, P.C., M.P.  
Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada  
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Dear Minister Lametti:

On behalf of the Canadian Bar Association, I am writing to extend my congratulations on your appointment to this esteemed portfolio. We look forward to working with you and your officials to convey the perspective of the legal profession on issues of mutual interest.

The CBA is a national association representing 34,000 jurists, including lawyers, notaries, law teachers and students across Canada. Our primary objectives include improvement in the law and in the administration of justice. The Minister of Justice and the CBA share many fundamental values that direct our respective work in this regard: a commitment to the rule of law, access to justice and the Charter of Rights; and an understanding of the need to uphold the independence of the judiciary and the legal profession.

### **Invitation to CBA Annual Meeting**

The Minister of Justice traditionally addresses the legal profession at the CBA's Annual Meeting. I would be pleased if you would continue that tradition. The meeting is on Monday, February 11, 2019, from 13:00 to 16:00 at the National Arts Centre, 1 Elgin Street, Ottawa. Lawyers from all parts of Canada will participate, from hubs in every province and territory. We invite you to give remarks from 13:05 to 13:15. If that time is not convenient, we can accommodate another time during the meeting. Please contact CEO Cheryl Farrow at 613-237-2925 ext 200 or [cherylf@cba.org](mailto:cherylf@cba.org) to advise her of your attendance.

I also invite you and a guest to the President's Dinner on Tuesday, February 12, 2019 in Ottawa. Open house cocktails are from 17:30 to 19:00 at 66 Slater Street, Suite 1200, followed by dinner at 19:30 at the National Arts Centre.

**Request a Meeting**

The CBA offers the unique perspective of a network of lawyers with expertise on how the law touches the lives of Canadians every day. I request a meeting at your earliest convenience, to discuss access to justice, judicial vacancies and other critical issues of mutual interest.

Yours truly,

*(original letter signed by Raymond G. Adlington)*

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