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Dear SABS Representatives:

Re: Licensing Requirements for Representatives Appearing at FSCO

This is a follow-up to FSCO Bulletin A-02-07, issued on May 11, 2007.

Statutory Accident Benefits Schedule (SABS) representatives are reminded that the Law Society of Upper Canada (LSUC) has commenced accepting applications for paralegal licenses as of May 1, 2007. LSUC is accepting “grandparent” applications relating to paralegals who have worked full time providing legal services for at least three years. There is also a category of “transitional” applicants who have practiced in the area for less than three years. The deadline to apply as a “grandparent” or “transitional” applicant is October 31, 2007. Eligible applicants, who apply on or before October 31, 2007, will be required to pass a licensing exam that will take place in early 2008. Paralegal licenses are expected to be issued by the LSUC by May 1, 2008. It is expected that FSCO’s filing requirements for SABS representatives will end on May 1, 2008.

All SABS representatives are strongly urged to apply to the LSUC before October 31, 2007, to obtain a license to be able to appear at mediations or arbitrations at FSCO on or after May 1, 2008. It is the SABS representative’s responsibility to ensure they are qualified to continue practicing in the area of accident benefits at FSCO by applying to LSUC for a license to practice.

Further information about the LSUC paralegal oversight requirements and application information can be found at <http://www.lsuc.on.ca/paralegals> or by telephone at (416) 947-3315, or 1-800-668-7380, or send an e-mail to paralegalservices@lsuc.on.ca. Information on the process can also be obtained on the FSCO website at www.fSCO.gov.on.ca.

Sincerely,

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