



Further Updates Related to the Recent Court Order

The Ontario Association of Architects is reaching out to those who were Licensed Technologists OAA or participants in the OAA Technology Program to provide an update regarding its actions following the May 10, 2023 Court Order.

As mentioned in the [May 17 email](#), the OAA Website now includes [a landing page](#) that summarizes all current information, along with regularly refreshed Frequently Answered Questions (FAQs). **Please ensure you check this page on a regular basis for the latest updates.**

Active discussions are well underway between the OAA and the Ministry of the Attorney General (MAG) to request the necessary legislative amendments to recognize Limited Licences. The direction of these amendments is based on the existing elements of the now-paused OAA Technology Program. The provincial government looks to the OAA, as the regulator of the architecture profession, to provide the intent and objective to these necessary amendments. However, legislative drafting is the role and responsibility of the government.

These direct discussions have been followed up with a [letter to the Attorney General](#) requesting a meeting. On June 5, the government provided notice the House had risen for the summer break. Therefore, the earliest a spot could be secured on the legislative agenda, with the agreement of government, is the fall. Nevertheless, the OAA's talks with the Ministry of the Attorney General will continue over the summer to ensure the introduction of legislative amendments can be made as soon as possible.

Outreach with the [Ministry of the Municipal Affairs and Housing \(MMAH\)](#) is also underway to request consideration to grandfather former Licensed Technologist OAA members into the Ministry's qualification system, granting a Building Code Identification Number (BCIN) based on their existing set of qualifications. This action is in direct response to those individuals that held a Lic.Tech.OAA Certificate of Practice, and have never held a BCIN.

The OAA has also reached out to all Ontario colleges offering Architectural Technology Programs—all of whom have been great supporters of the Technology Program. Those lines of communication will remain open in consideration of how the schools can help support the way forward.

As we move ahead, it remains of paramount importance any future decisions continue to be aligned with the OAA's mandate already set out in the [Architects Act and Regulation](#), the decision-making scope of our governing Council, and in the protection of the public interest.

The OAA continues to acknowledge and recognize the upheaval you experience. While technically no longer members of the Association, all those who previously held status are encouraged to continue to access the resources and services available on the OAA Website.

Additional updates will continue to be provided as new information becomes available on the [OAA Website](#). You can also contact the OAA [via email](#) with other questions.

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