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The Estates and Trusts Bar Mourns the Loss of Rodney Hull, Q.C., LSM

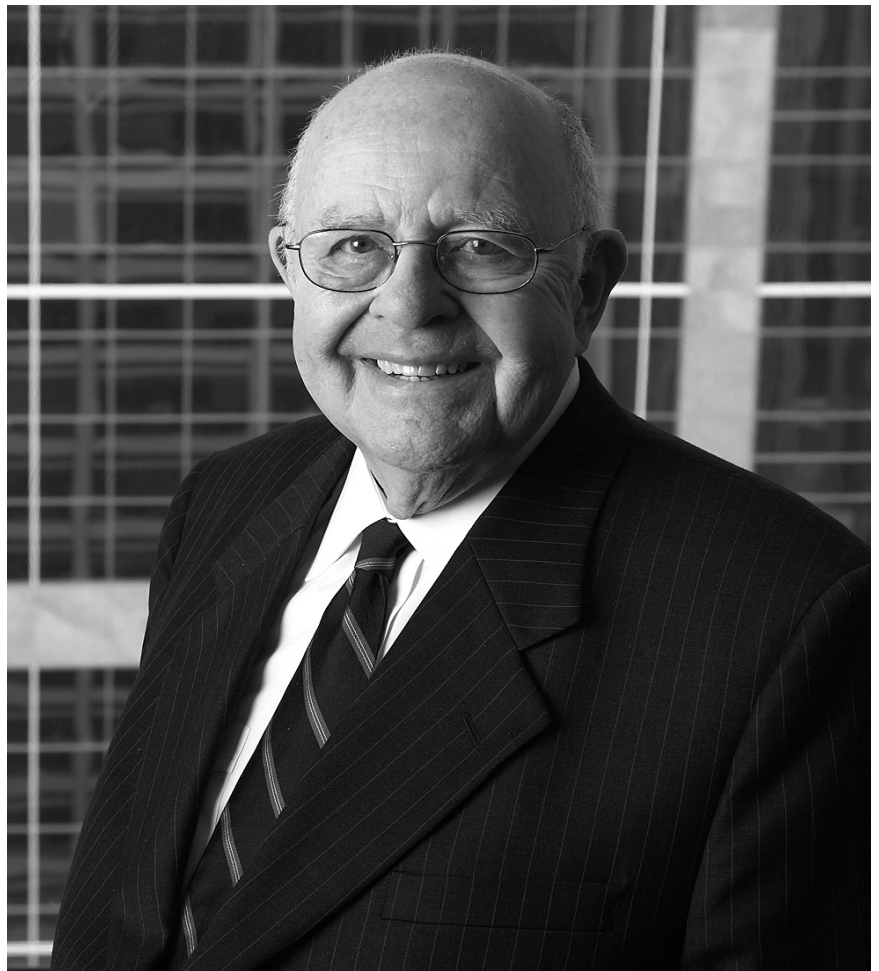
Rodney Hull passed away on December 5, 2009. He is survived by his wife and five children and will be greatly missed by all those that he touched in his special way.

Rodney was a graduate of the Royal Military College of Canada and was called to the Ontario Bar in 1957. He was appointed Queen's Counsel in 1971. Rodney was the founding partner of Hull & Hull LLP and one of the most well-known and respected estate lawyers in Canada. He will be remembered for his invaluable contributions, his wisdom and his generosity to the practice of law in Canada. He was a leading expert in his field.

Rodney was the author of the seminal reference works, *Canadian Forms of Wills* (4th ed.) and *McDonnell, Sheard and Hull Probate Practice* (4th ed.), and made extensive prolific contributions to academic and professional journals and publications in Canada relating to estates, trusts and fiduciary matters.

Rodney was certified by the Law Society of Upper Canada as a specialist in civil litigation in 1988 and was the recipient of the Award of Excellence by the Ontario Bar Association, Wills and Trusts section, in 2005. In 2007, he was awarded The Law Society Medal by The Law Society of Upper Canada. He was appointed a Deputy Judge of the Small Claims Court for the Central East Region in 2008.

For over 50 years, Rodney's reputation has been synonymous with outstanding excellence,



dedicated professionalism and pure passion. He has set the standard for our profession, and we are all privileged to have had the opportunity to know, to learn from, to be taught by and to have worked alongside him over the years. We will honour Rodney's legacy and his memory, and the leader, the mentor, the advisor, the advocate and the gentleman that he was.

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Audio & Video Podcasts

[February 23, 2010 - HOE 200](#)

Natalia Angelini and Paul Trudelle discuss conflicting applications to apply for an appointment as Estate Trustee without a Will.

[February 23, 2010 - HOESP 198](#)

Ian Hull continues his discussion from last week on Planned Giving.

[February 17, 2010 - HOESP 195](#)

Ian introduces the new series he and Suzana Popovic-Montag will be starting on the podcast: Planned Giving.

[February 17, 2010 - HOE 199](#)

Sharon Davis and David M. Smith discuss sibling rivalry.

[February 10, 2010 - HOESP 195](#)

Ian and Suzana talk about non-contentious steps taken towards obtaining a guardianship application.

[February 10, 2010 - HOE 198](#)

Ian and Suzana discuss Will interpretations.

[February 2, 2010 - HOESP 193](#)

Ian and Suzana discuss the issues that arise when one has a limited Power of Attorney or no Power of Attorney at all.

[February 2, 2010 - HOE 197](#)

Natalia Angelini and Nadia Harasymowycz discuss when a Power of Attorney should be executed.

[January 26, 2010 - HOESP 192](#)

Announcements: Ian Hull and Suzana Popovic-Montag discuss Hull and Hull's most recent breakfast learning series and the upcoming changes being made to the firm's website.

[January 19, 2010 - HOE 196](#)

Paul Trudelle and Christopher Graham discuss the amendments to civil procedure effective January 1, 2010.

Blogs

[The Effect of Divorces on Gifts to Spouses in a Will](#)

Posted on February 24, 2010 by Hull & Hull LLP

[Admission to a Psychiatric Facility under the Ontario Mental Health Act](#)

Posted on February 23, 2010 by Hull & Hull LLP

[Application by Physician for Psychiatric Assessment under the Ontario Mental Health Act: The Form 1](#)

Posted on February 21, 2010 by Hull & Hull LLP

[Coping with the Demands of an Aging Population](#)

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[When Unfinished Business and Legal Uncertainty Collide](#)

Posted on February 18, 2010 by Hull & Hull LLP

Breakfast Series

Our next Breakfast Series meeting is scheduled for Wednesday June 16, 2010. We will be discussing Estate Accounts.

We invite you to attend in person, or by webcast.

The Breakfast Series meeting is being held at the Ontario Bar Association, 2nd Floor, 20 Toronto Street, Salons 2 & 3, Toronto, Ontario. Breakfast begins at 8:15 a.m. with the Presentation to follow at 8:30 a.m. A fee of \$30.00 (28.57 + 1.43 GST) is payable to Hull & Hull LLP upon registration by cheque, VISA or MasterCard. Materials included.

To Register, please contact Diane Labao at (416) 369-1140 (press 0) or by e-mail to dlabao@hullandhull.com

A Compact Disc recording of the Breakfast Series will be available at a fee of \$20.00 (\$19.05 + \$0.95 GST).



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