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If there's one thing that our members – and everyone else for that matter – can count on is that change is the new constant (with apologies to Heraclitus). This quarter's issue of *the Verdict* has embraced this truth and features a number of articles talking about changes that are set to impact or are already impacting British Columbians.

Our own Association is not immune to change, either. In the past year we have seen changes in leadership (ahem), as well as changes in management of our Membership and Public Affairs programs. You can read columns by Karen and Todd respectively, updating you on their priorities.

Looking ahead we have some more changes on the horizon. Ed Good, a long-time Association member who has also served on our editorial board for many years, will be stepping away from his duties. Ed has played an integral role shaping the stories you read, providing leadership at the editorial table as new members have joined, and just generally helping keep us on point with topics and issues that are relevant to the difference sections of the bar that we represent. Ed's leadership, judgment and collaborative style have been greatly valued by editorial board members and staff alike. His contribution will be missed.

But what of those other changes I referenced earlier?

Well, we have articles on some topics in this issue, and we'll have articles on others in future issues. In the news, we know that there are still regulations to be finalized following the government's passing of the *Insurance (Vehicle) Amendment Act*. The passing of cannabis legislation will bring all kinds of issues for those of our members in the criminal bar, among others. These are just two examples.

More specifically, in this issue we take a look at changes to the *Divorce Act* in *Comparing the Factors for Best Interests and Family Violence: Bill C-78 (Divorce Act) and the Family Law Act*. On other fronts please see *Some Important Changes to Impaired Driving Law in Bill C-46* and *MVA's and Serious Psychological Injuries: What Constitutes a Serious Injury & How is Seriousness Determined?* And related to all of this, we take the time to provide some advice to our members while coping with all this change with *Lawyers and their Primary Relationships: How to be Successful in Both Realms*.

So in keeping with the theme of this issue, please "change" this page and enjoy. ✓

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