



Michael K.W. Chan

P.Eng., FEC

Employer and Position:

PEO Manager, Chapters (retired) 1999-2007
Director–Customer Service Department, Olivetti Canada (20+ years)

Degree(s), School(s) attended, Year(s) of graduation:

Mechanical Engineering (Hong Kong & UK)

Participation on PEO Council, Committees/Task Forces, Chapters

- Lieutenant Governor-in-Council Appointee (2016-2019)
- Executive Committee (2018-2019)
- VP Appointed
- Finance Committee (Vice-Chair, Chair)
- Member, Advisory Committee on Volunteers since 2007 (three years as Chair)
- Chair, Willowdale/Thornhill Chapter Government Liaison Program
- Government Liaison Committee
- Discipline Committee
- Registration Committee

Other Community (Volunteer) Services

- Federation of Chinese Canadian Professionals (FCCP) member since 1988; President (1991-1992)
- Trustee of FCCP's Education Foundation (1995-present). Vice-President Administration since 2007.
- Member, Toronto Police Service 42 Division's Chinese Community Liaison Committee (CCLC) since 1999, Chair 2000-2003
- Chinese Cultural Centre of Greater Toronto since 1994 (Board Director, Vice-President, Chair-operations, President)

Awards

- Ontario Professional Engineers Citizenship Award (2007)
- Member, Order of Honour (2015)
- Outstanding Volunteers by Mayor Mel Lastman (2001)
- Toronto Police Service 19 Years Volunteer Service
- Ontario Volunteer Service Award 20-years Service
- Federal MP's Canada 150 Medal

Years of Registration in Ontario: 40 years

Candidate Statement

I am one of a limited few, if not the only, staff/volunteers who are experienced in all aspects of PEO.

Chapter

As PEO Chapter Manager for eight years, I know the needs of volunteers and have in-depth knowledge of all matters concerning the chapter system. I reshaped the chapter system and wrote the Chapter Operations Manual.

Committee

My over 10 years board experience and participation in PEO committees provide me with the insight to understand issues and how PEO functions. My strong leadership skill, and ability to form cross-functional teams and build consensus ensure that I deliver appropriate and timely solutions to issues.

Council

I was very happy to be appointed as an LGA (Lieutenant Governor Appointee) for a three-year term. During these three years on Council, I was:

- 1) Elected as Vice Chair and then Chair of the Finance Committee. Annual budget, investment, mortgage and property rental issues were tackled. I am happy to report we are now in a budget surplus position and have signed an excellent mortgage package such that our mortgage will be fully paid off at the end of the five-year term;
- 2) Elected a member of the Executive Committee, helping to resolve problems/issues before they get to Council;
- 3) Appointed as Vice President during the last term of my LGA appointment; and
- 4) Appointed to the Discipline and Registration committees as LGA member, dealing with Tribunal matters;

As soon as I learned of my extendable three-year LGA appointment, I developed a five-year contribution plan. It was unfortunate that my term and the terms of two other LGA Council members were not extended and we had to leave Council.

To be able to fulfill my five-year plan, I need to get back to Council. That is why I am running for the position of Councillor-at-Large. This would give me two more years to complete the tasks I set out to do.

My priorities are:

- Licensing process—application, registration and removal of barriers;
- Chapter System reform—enhance its Regulatory, bridging between members and Council, and local presence roles;
- PSA action plan implementation—PEO role as a regulator; and
- Governance review—effective governance and communication.

I am pleased that I am given the opportunity to acclaim my nomination.