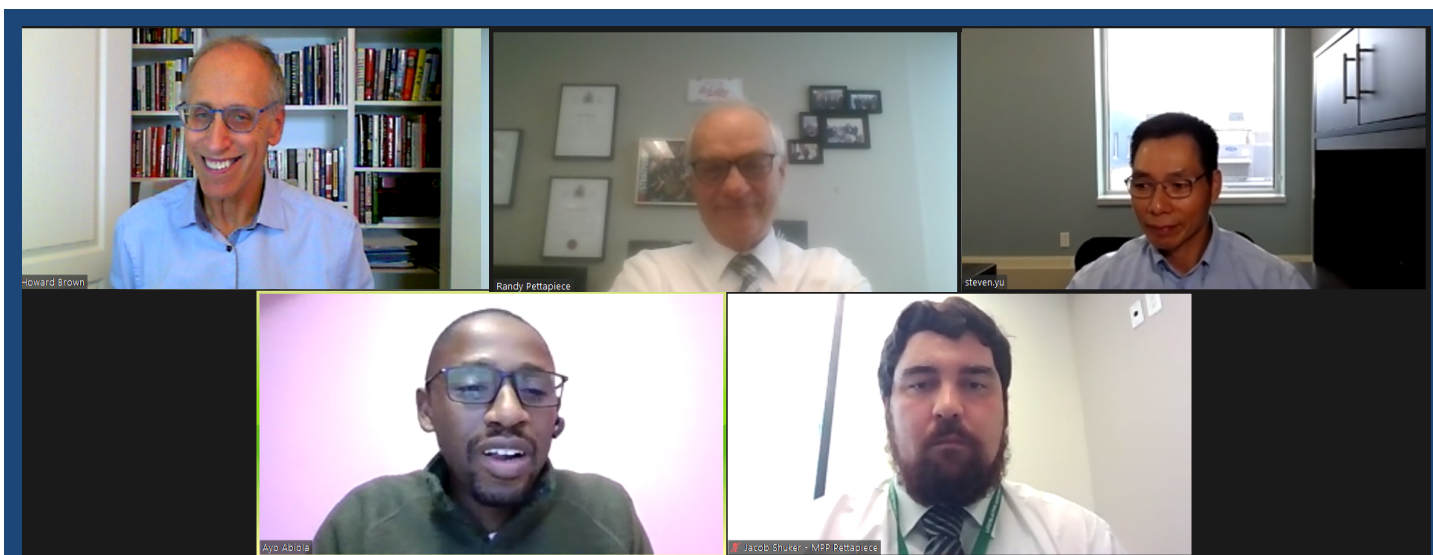




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The Chapters Representatives introduced themselves and walked MPP Pettapiece through PEO's mandate. He was invited to participate in an upcoming Chapter Annual General Meeting, a licensing certificate ceremony, or a Take Your MPP to Work Day.

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# LABOUR MINISTER INTRODUCES LEGISLATION THAT WOULD IMPACT REGULATED PROFESSIONS



Bill 27, the *Working for Workers Act* was introduced by **Monte McNaughton**, MPP (Lambton—Kent—Middlesex) Minister of Labour, Training and Skills Development on October 25. PEO Past President **Marisa Sterling**, P.Eng. spoke about the matter with CBC on October 21.

**Monte McNaughton**, MPP (Lambton—Kent—Middlesex) Minister of Labour, Training and Skills Development introduced Bill 27, the *Working for Workers Act* in the Legislature on October 25. Here is an excerpt from Schedule 3 of the bill which proposed to amend *The Fair Access to Regulated Professions and Compulsory Trades Act, 2006*:

- Regulated professions are required to ensure they comply with any regulations respecting English or French language proficiency testing requirements.
- Regulated professions are also prohibited from including Canadian experience requirements as qualifications for registration unless an exemption from the prohibition is granted.
- Compliance orders may be issued if a regulated profession imposes requirements that are prohibited under the Act.

PEO Past President **Marisa Sterling**, P.Eng. spoke about the matter on a radio interview on CBC's Metro Morning and on a CBC TV interview as a representative of both PEO and in her role as Assistant Dean and the Director of Diversity, Inclusion and Professionalism at the University of Toronto on October 21.

Ms. Sterling said, "We're trying to remove barriers so that people can be their fullest in society...I think that there are many elements to look at this systems change. What are systemic biases and barriers that may be affecting internationally educated professionals to be able to be fully productive here in Ontario?". Click [here](#) to watch the interview (26:23-26:56).

# ATTORNEY GENERAL TO MEET WITH PEO PRESIDENT



Attorney General, **Doug Downey**, MPP (Barrie—Springwater—Oro-Medonte) has accepted PEO's invitation to meet with President **Christian Bellini**, P.Eng. in the coming weeks. Here is a screenshot of Minister Downey sharing remarks at PEO's Annual General Meeting in May.

Attorney General, **Doug Downey**, MPP (Barrie—Springwater—Oro-Medonte) has accepted PEO's invitation to meet with President **Christian Bellini**, P.Eng. in the coming weeks.

Minister Downey was elected to the Legislature during the 2018 general election.

His Ministry is responsible for the PEO file.

PEO has a long-standing relationship with the Attorney General.

The Attorney General meets with PEO annually to discuss the work that PEO is doing to regulate and advance the practice of engineering to protect the public interest.

Minister Downey shared remarks at PEO's Annual General Meeting in May.

At the meeting, he congratulated PEO for their successful year in managing the business of the association with the challenges of Covid-19.

He also complimented Council on doing the important work of moving changes forward towards implementing mandatory continued professional development.



PEO President  
**Christian Bellini**, P.Eng.

# MEET YOUR MPP

This week, the *GLP Weekly Times* features Hon. **Ross Romano**, MPP (Sault Ste. Marie), Minister of Government and Consumer Services and **Terence Kernaghan**, MPP (London North Centre), NDP Critic for Government Services and Consumer Protection.

## HON. ROSS ROMANO, MPP



Hon. **Ross Romano**,  
MPP (Sault Ste. Marie)

Hon. **Ross Romano**, MPP (Sault Ste. Marie) was first elected to the Legislature as a Progress Conservative in the June 2017 by-election.

He is currently the Minister of Government and Consumer Services and previously served as Minister of Colleges and Universities from 2019 to 2021.

Minister Romano also worked as a lawyer for 12 years. He began his political career as City Councillor for Ward 6 in Sault Ste. Marie, serving from 2014 to 2017. He is a former Chair of the local Downtown Association and Downtown Rotary Club and coaches in the Sault Youth Soccer Association.

Minister Romano is a regular participant in PEO Algoma Chapter events.

## TERENCE KERNAGHAN, MPP

**Terence Kernaghan**, MPP (London North Centre) was first elected to the Legislature in 2018.

He serves as the NDP Critic for LGBTQ and Government Services and Consumer Protection.

Prior to being elected, MPP Kernaghan was an elementary school teacher-librarian.

In August 2021, MPP Kernaghan met with PEO's London Chapter to discuss PEO's governance changes, and Take Your MPP to Work Days.

He was invited to attend upcoming Chapter events.



**Terence Kernaghan**,  
MPP (London North Centre)

# NOMINATIONS FOR PEO'S 2022-2023 COUNCIL NOW BEING ACCEPTED



Nomination forms for PEO's 2022-2023 must be submitted by 4 PM on November 26.

Nominations for PEO's 2022-2023 Council are now being accepted.

Council is made up of both elected professional engineers and members appointed by the Office of the Attorney General.

It provides the overall direction for the association and the profession.

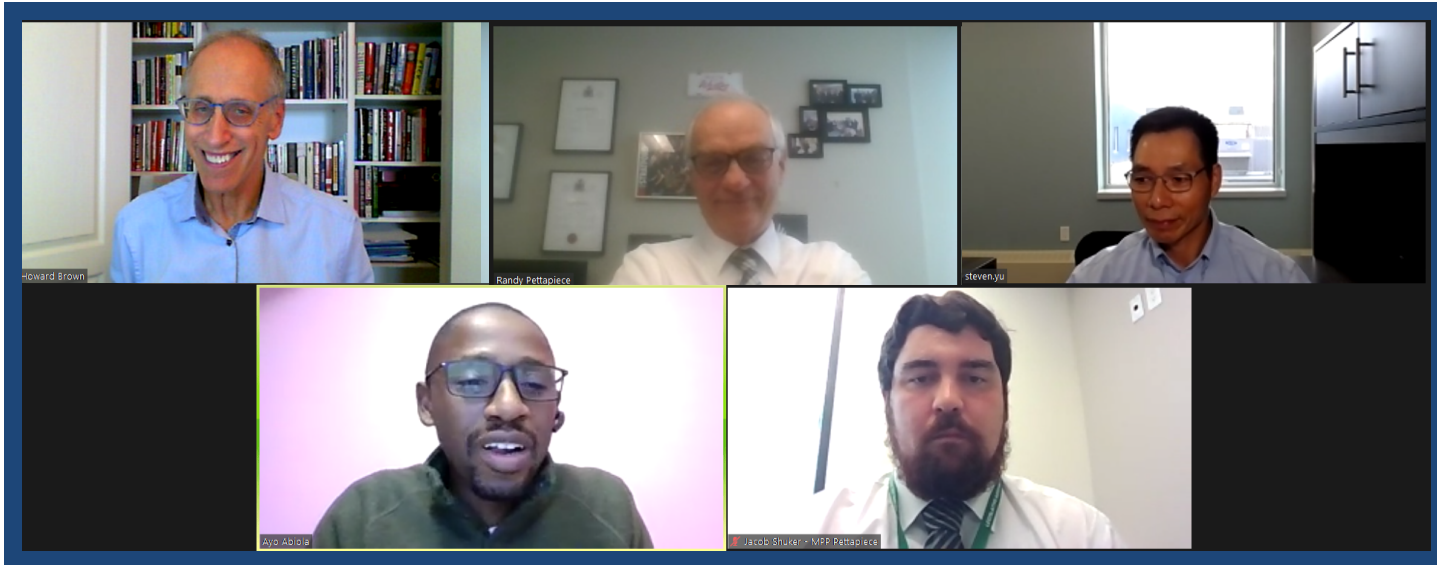
Together with Council, PEO operates with an elected president and an appointed registrar.

There are currently 25 councillors, of whom 16 are professional engineers elected by fellow PEO members.

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To learn more about why this is an exciting time to serve on Council as PEO embarks on governance reform and operational and organizational improvement, click [here](#).

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MPP Pettapiece was invited to participate in the Chapter's Annual General Meeting, a licensing certificate Ceremony to be held in either London or Stratford, and a Take Your MPP to Work Day.

They also reviewed past GLP successes.

MPP Pettapiece was first elected to the Legislature in 2011.

He currently serves as the Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs.

Mr. Yu has lived in the MPP's riding for 15 years.

Also participating in the call were PEO Government Relations Consultant **Howard Brown** and **Jacob Shuker**, Legislative Assistant for MPP Pettapiece.

MPP Pettapiece has attended Chapter licence certificate presentation ceremonies and other events.

It is important for PEO Chapters to maintain relationships with their MPP.

# GLP TRIVIA CONTEST

PEO Willowdale/Thornhill Chapter's **Roger Jones**, P.Eng., was the winner of last issue's GLP Trivia Contest.

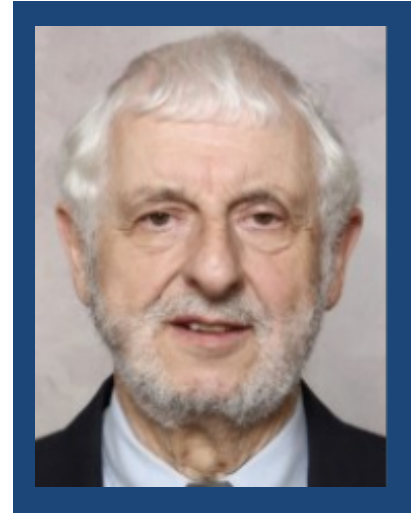
**Question:** Which MPP did PEO Mississauga Chapter participate in a Townhall with on September 28?

**Answer:** **Deepak Anand**, MPP (Mississauga—Malton)

**This week's question:** Which MPP did PEO Councillor Lorne Cutler, P.Eng. have a chance to speak with on October 13?

**Join the Contest:** Test your knowledge of the *GLP Weekly Times* with our weekly trivia question! Send your answers to **Emily Binkley** at [emily@brown-cohen.com](mailto:emily@brown-cohen.com) by Monday, November 1.

*You may only win once in a four-week span.*



**Roger Jones**, P.Eng. is the winner of last issue's trivia contest.

## UPCOMING MPP EVENTS

**Every Friday—Virtual Coffee Hour** with **Teresa Armstrong**, MPP (London-Fanshawe), NDP Children and Youth Critic from 3 to 4 PM. To register, visit: <https://www.teresaarmstrong.com/coffeehour>

**Every Saturday—Coffee with your MPP** hosted by **Faisal Hassan**, MPP (York-South Weston), NDP Critic for Youth Opportunities from 3 to 4 PM. To tune in live, visit: <https://www.facebook.com/FaisalHassanNDP/>



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