

## The New Ontario Not-For-Profit Corporations Act questions for directors to ask



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Are you a director of an Ontario incorporated charity or not-for-profit?

If so, do you know that the corporate legislation which governs that charity or

not-for-profit is in the process of being changed and that the corporation may need to take steps to change its governance structure?

Details of the changes to the legislation are outlined in article that I wrote for Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada which appears in the May 2013 Not-For-Profit Organizations Director Alert, entitled **The New Ontario Not-For-Profit Corporations Act - questions for directors to ask. (**click for a copy of the article). Linda J. Godel is the head of the Not-For-Profit and Charities Group at Torkin Manes. She counsels a wide range of not-for-profit organizations and charities (including charitable organizations and private and public foundations). Her clients include self-regulated bodies, professional and industry associations, and organizations in such fields as religion, health, education, social services, poverty abatement, childcare, athletics and recreation. She also provides general commercial advice to not-for-profits and charities. She is a frequent speaker and writer on topics pertinent to the not-for-profit sector. She is the current Chair of the Executive of the Charity and Not-for-Profit Law Section of the Ontario Bar Association and a member of the Executive of the Charities and Not-for-Profit Law Section of the Canadian Bar Association.

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