Harassment/Discrimination Survey Summary

2021/01/26

Background

 As part of the membership survey for the strategic plan questions were asked about potential discrimination and harassment. The results were sufficient troubling that Council decided to follow up with a more detailed survey

Overall Response

 138 responses were received; 41 responses were from individuals that selfidentified under named grounds of the Human Rights Code

 13 race - 6 ancestry - 13 place of origin

7 colour - 6 ethnic origin - 6 Citizenship

- 2 creed - 14 sex - 3 sexual orientation

2 gender identity9 age

- 7 marital status

4 family status

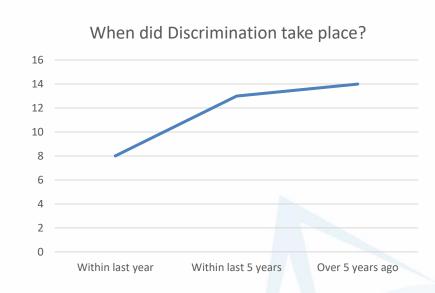
- 2 disability

Note: more than one category could be chosen

Responses by membership: 5 articling Students, 19 OLSs with less than 5 years experience, 114 OLSs with 5 or more years experience

Discrimination

- Do you believe you have been discriminated against?
 - Overall: 27 Yes (20%)
 - Self-Identified: 21 Yes (51%)
- Source of Discrimination:
 - Workplace: 44%
 - AOLS event: 15%
 - AERC process: 3%
 - Complaints/Discipline process: 3%
 - Survey Review Department process: 8%
 - AOLS Committee/Task Force/Council: 3%
 - Dealings with Registrar (e.g. C of A): 5%
 - Other: 21%



Additional Information

- Raised objection or concern about the discrimination? Yes 32%
- Believe the discrimination was a result of systems or processes in place that can be changed? Yes - 53%
- Do you know how you should address an issue of harassment or discrimination? Yes – 68%
- Are you familiar with your organizational or company workplace discrimination and harassment policy? Yes – 89%
- Have you got any training with respect to harassment and discrimination policy? Yes – 64%

Potential Actions by AOLS

The following are averages of the responses where 1 is the highest priority
and 5 is the lowest priority

		Overall response
•	Training	2.4 (First)
•	Policy Change	3.2
•	Process Change	3.4
•	Member Communication	2.7 (Second)
•	Other Actions	3.8
		Self-Identified
•	Training	2.6 (First)
•	Policy Change	3.1
•	Policy Change Process Change	3.1 3.4
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