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WORKING GROUP ON THE RESTRICTION OF THE PUBLICATION OF THE NAME AND OTHER IDENTIFYING INFORMATION OF AN ACCUSED PERSON

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[1] At the 2024 Annual Meeting of the Uniform Law Conference of Canada (ULCC) in Ottawa, Ontario, the Criminal Section passed a resolution at the request of the Ontario Criminal Lawyers' Association (ON-CLA2024-01):

That a ULCC working group be formed to make recommendations concerning the restriction of the publication of the name or other identifying information of an accused person, given the need to protect the privacy interests, dignity, security of the person and the presumption of innocence relating to that person, while recognizing public safety and other interests of justice. (Carried as amended 24-4-1)

[2] A working group has yet to be constituted.

[3] The working group aims to appoint co-Chairs and recruit members so that meetings can begin in the Fall of 2025.

[4] It is recommended that efforts to form a working group continue so that it may study this issue and report back to the Criminal Section at the next ULCC Annual Meeting in 2026.