

TERMS OF REFERENCE

The following Terms of Reference define the engagement of the External Reviewer for Toronto Metropolitan University (“**TMU**”):

1. On October 20, 2023, 72 students from Lincoln Alexander School of Law (“**LASL**”) publicly released a letter, including a petition and statement, to the Founding Dean, Associate Dean, and Assistant Dean of LASL (the “**LASL Letter**”).
2. TMU has issued a Complaint, as defined in section 4.11 of the Student Code of Non-Academic Conduct (the “**Code**”), concerning the LASL Letter (the “**University’s Complaint**”).
3. The External Reviewer shall be appointed as the designate of the Student Conduct Office, the Executive Director, Student Affairs, and the Vice-Provost, Students, under sections 4.30, 4.15, and 4.33 of the Code, to
 - i. undertake the Complaint Resolution Process, as described in section 8 of the Code and section 2 of the Procedures under the Code;
 - ii. make Decisions, as described in sections 8.3 and 9 of the Code and sections 2.2 and 3 of the Procedures; and
 - iii. subject to the foregoing, and if the External Reviewer deems appropriate, assign appropriate outcomes, as described in section 10 of the Code and section 4 of the Procedures (collectively, the “**External Review**”)

with respect to the University’s Complaint.

4. Subject to section 15 of the Code, and without limiting the foregoing, the External Reviewer shall conduct the External Review in accordance with the Code and the Procedures and shall be the Decision Maker (as defined in section 4.13 of the Code) for all aspects of the External Review.
5. The External Reviewer shall determine, in consultation with the Office of General Counsel, the reasonable legal and other expert support services required for the External Review.
6. At all times in the conduct of the External Review, the External Reviewer shall endeavour to apply the highest standards of legal reason and respect for TMU’s Mission Statement.