

PUBLIC APPOINTMENTS SECRETARIAT

Appointments Information Form for Submission to the Standing Committee on Government Agencies

Board Name: Social Benefits Tribunal (Tribunals Ontario)

Position: Member (Part-Time)

Part-time/Full-time: Part-Time

Candidate Name: Ranil Mendis

Candidate Information: Attached

Responsibilities of the Agency, Board, or Commission:

The Social Benefits Tribunal exercises jurisdiction to hear appeals under the Ontario Works Act, 1997 and the Ontario Disability Support Plan Act, 1997, regarding the refusal to grant a benefit, the suspension or cancellation of a benefit, the reduction of a benefit or the amount of a benefit. The Social Benefits Tribunal is designated as part of an adjudicative tribunal cluster by regulation made under the Adjudicative Tribunals Accountability, Governance and Appointments Act, 2009.

Public Appointment Application

Applicant	Ranil Mendis
Position	Member (Part-Time) Social Benefits Tribunal (Tribunals Ontario) Attorney General
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Application Notes/Comment/Additional Data

Serving in volunteer board and committee roles with the Canadian Mental Health Association, Children's Aid and the CCAC of the Region of Peel, I have gained extensive experience and exposure in applying applicable legislation and policies to resolve disputes in a fair, accessible and transparent manner. Working within a challenging, fast-paced and demanding environment that requires confidence, critical thinking and strong communications skills, I have a demonstrated track record in aligning and engaging the delivery of social services such as Children's Services, Social Housing and Health Care for the community well-being. Serving as an independent member of various decision making panels of the Society of Management Accountants Ontario (now CPA Ontario) as well as the The Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA), I have conducted professional development sessions, assessed presentations and resolved disputes in a fair and transparent manner.

Language(s)

English Proficient
Other Languages: Sinhalese

Education

Institution	Credentials	Year
Chartered Professional Accountants Canada	CPA CMA, FCMA (UK), CGMA	1990 - present (CIMA); 1992 - present CPA, CMA

Employment

Employer	Position/Title	Dates	Responsibilities
The City of Toronto	Budget Coordinator/Financial Consultant	2001 - 2020	A highly versatile finance professional with an outstanding community profile, I have a demonstrated track record in aligning and engaging the delivery of social services for the community well-being. I joined the Finance Department of the City of Toronto twenty five years ago and progressed my career through a unique combination of board level and work experience in the planning, funding and delivery of social services in the Greater Toronto Area. I have served the Finance, Housing and Children are Services Divisions at the City of Toronto and have held a number of board positions as a Citizen Representative of social service agencies in the Peel Region. As a persuasive communicator, I have built valuable partnerships, negotiated complex agreements and fostered a passion for diversity at work place and in the community at large. I have gained experience in community development and the provision of human services through my volunteer and board level involvement.

Employer	Position/Title	Dates	Responsibilities
Toronto Community Housing Corporation	Supervisor Corporate Budgets & Reporting	1990 - 2001	As discussed in the additional skills area - I have over 15 years volunteer experience working with young people from diverse communities. The work involved the Mayor's School Cricket program for GTHA, that has grown exponentially. The success led to the inaugural Premier's Cup School Cricket in 2019. At Toronto Housing, Led the conversion and harmonization of accounts and systems of Cityhome and Metro Toronto Housing Company Limited (MTHCL) to the amalgamated City's new housing entity Toronto Community Housing Corporation (TCHC) with over 50,000 units of subsidized housing. Implemented the Public Sector Accounting Board recommendations. Supported negotiations on TCHC Labour relations matters, staff performance and scheduling. Managed Cityhome's funding relationships with the Province of Ontario and the City of Toronto and provided financial expertise to various project teams on change initiatives.

Community

Organization	Position/Title	Dates Involved	Responsibilities
Toronto Grace Health Centre (TGHC)	Member of the Board of Directors	2018 - Todate	TGHC is a 119 bed public hospital with a long and distinguished history of service in Toronto. TGHC provides patient-centered care for individuals with multifaceted chronic diseases who require Complex Continuing Care, Post-Acute Care Rehabilitation and Palliative Care. As a member of the Board of Directors, I am involved in setting the strategic direction of the hospital and reviewing and defining policies and procedures to ensure good governance and strategic oversight of the hospital. The Board operates within the ambit of the Public Hospitals Act and has the responsibility to ensure that the provisions of the Public Hospitals Act are complied with. I also serve as a member of the TGHC's Finance & Audit Committee that is responsible for management oversight and strategic direction to deliver excellent patient care. As a member of the Audit committee I am involved in reviewing the impact of provincial funding on the delivery of services to the patient population.
Region of Peel Housing Corporation (PHC)	Member of the Board of Directors	2015 - 2016	As a member of the Region of Peel Housing Corporation's (PHC) decision making body, I was involved in leading the corporations strategic planning and direction, setting policy, providing effective governance, shaping decisions and providing strategic oversight of the management of the corporation. I was involved in setting the strategic direction of the PHC and reviewing and defining policies and procedures to ensure good governance and strategic oversight of the corporation. As a member of the PHC's business transformation project team I reviewed PHC's financial viability reports, redevelopment plans of public assets including stakeholder engagements, determining public value and evaluating strategic alternatives.

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Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA) Peel	Member of the Board of Directors	Board Member (2007 – 2012); Chair of the Audit Committee (2009/2010)	Canadian Mental Health Association (CMHA) Peel CMHA Peel is a leading client driven community-based mental health organization with a budget of over \$11 million during my term serving the communities of Peel. I was involved in setting the strategic direction of the CMHA Peel and reviewing and defining policies and procedures to ensure good governance and strategic oversight of the corporation. As a member of the policy governance Board I was involved in the review of policies and procedures of covering all aspects of the organization including finance, service delivery, human resources and the performance evaluation of the CEO. During my term as Treasurer, the CMHA went through service realignment and funding agreement with the Province and I was involved in reviewing the impact of provincial funding on the delivery of services to the Peel Community and providing strategic oversight and effective governance of the CMHA.
Community Care Access Centre (CCAC) of Peel	Member of the Board of Directors	Board Member (1997 – 2001); Treasurer (1998/1999)	Community Care Access Centre (CCAC) is a Provincial Government Agency with a mandate to provide community based long term care services for seniors, persons with disabilities or serious illnesses and respite services for caregivers. During the transition period of the Province of Ontario's Home Care program in to the Community Based provincial agency, I reviewed policies and procedures relating to organizational and employment status changes of the Peel Regions Health Care workers from being employees to independent contractors. Made recommendations on the phasing out plan prepared by the Executive Director with regards to timing and conditions for the workforce transition. During a period of rapid transformation and change at CCAC, I attended board strategy sessions shaping decisions to realign the organization to meet the needs of the community. As Treasurer, I presented financial statement at the AGM and responded to policy issues raised by the community.
(former) City of York Parking Authority	Member of the Board of Directors	1989 - 1983	The (former) City of York Parking Authority was formed by the Council of the City of York with a mandate of providing effective governance, strategic leadership and direction reflecting the needs of the City's residents and the business community. I was involved in setting strategic direction, policies and procedures and reviewing business strategy for this City owned public asset. I participated in community consultations and developed effective working relationships with community partners in resolving disputes relating to City Parking issues with residents and businesses. As a member of the Board I have reviewed feedback from community hearings, complaints from community organizations on parking issues and made recommendations to City Council. During my term, the Board was also involved in a complete review of policies on Boulevard Parking, Rate Reviews in the in City owned lots and review of shared facilities agreements with community organizations.
Peel Children's Aid Society	Member of the Finance Committee	1992 – 1995	Peel Children's Aid Society is funded by the Ontario Ministry of Community and Social Services. As a member of the Finance Committee, I was involved in the performance reviews and financial planning for Programs, in support of the rehabilitation and wellbeing of the Children under care. I was involved in the review of funding programs impact on policy changes and internal policies and procedures of covering all aspects of the organization's finance, human resources and the performance evaluation metrics

Associations

Organization	Dates Involved
Chartered Professional Accountants of Ontario	1992 to present
Chartered Institute of Management Accountants	1990 - present