

Robert Evans is named QC

BRADFORD — When Bradford lawyer Robert Evans read through the Globe and Mail, January 1, he found his name listed among about 150 lawyers chosen for appointments to Queen's counsel by the Attorney General of Ontario.

He wasn't exactly surprised by the honor, but was very pleased.

Appointments are awarded to lawyers who have been in practice for a number of years, and I had applied for it," said Mr. Evans, with the Bradford law firm of Evans and Brown.

Perhaps one reason he was impressed by the appointment is that a number of other

lawyers in his family have been similarly honored.

FAMILY

Robert Evans' grandfather, T. W. W. Evans started the law firm in 1898 and his uncle was the named to Queen's counsel in 1914. His uncle's namesake, because King George V ruled Great Britain, put so were his father Charles and his brother Thomas.

Robert Evans was born in Bradford and called to the bar in 1958. Since then he's worked in the Bradford family firm, doing most of the litigation work.

An active member of the Progressive Conservative party, Mr. Evans admits the appointment has political overtones, but points out that members of other political parties are also appointed to Queen's counsel.

He told The Witness his appointment was a mark of experience and was fairly considered in light of his other community affiliations.

A member of the York Region Law Association, he was president of that group for two years, and is also active in the

Simcoe County Law Association.

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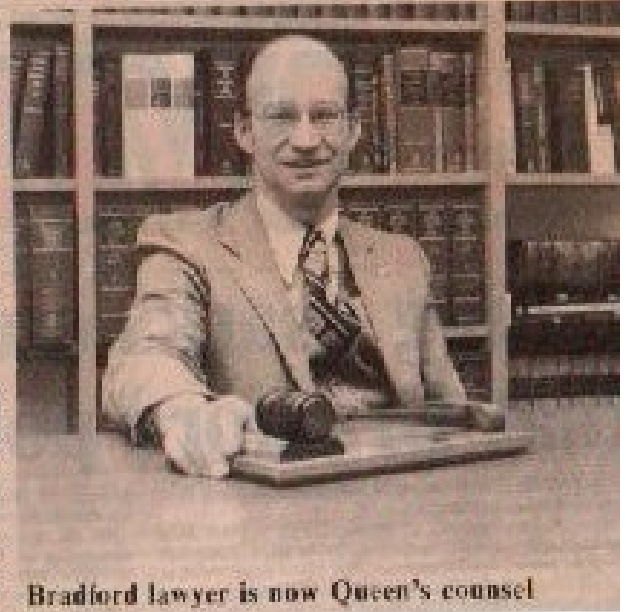
A former president of the Bradford Rotary Club, and another as master of the Masonic Lodge in Bradford, Evans said his proudest achievement, and one of the personal highlights in his life, was being chosen to represent Canada in an Australia exchange program in 1977.

His family, his wife Janet, and three daughters, Heather, L. Jackie, A. and Pamela, have welcomed other exchange students into their home in past years.

Mr. Evans said he has been proud to watch Bradford grow over the years, and is really proud of his family's law firm.

Although there are no specific duties attendant with his appointment to Queen's counsel, a few changes will result.

"I'll have to have a desk & green made up to wear in court, and we'll have to have new letterhead printed with Q.C. after my name," he laughed.



Bradford lawyer is now Queen's counsel