The Hon. Justice Peter Costigan of the Alberta Court of Appeal was the gold medallist of the law class of 1972. Following graduation, Justice Costigan clerked with The Honourable Mr. Justice Ronald Martland at the Supreme Court of Canada. Justice Costigan was a well-respected practitioner who appeared in all levels of court in Alberta and at the Supreme Court of Canada. He was appointed to the Court of Queen’s Bench in 1994 and the Court of Appeal in 1999. As a complement to his active professional life, Justice Costigan served for over a decade as a lecturer with the Legal Education Society of Alberta. His lengthy association with the Faculty began with his role as a sessional instructor in 1973. Justice Costigan taught real property and insurance law for over 20 years. In addition to his academic and legal interests, he is involved in community sports and coaching.

In recognizing Justice Costigan, the Faculty is also honouring the many dedicated sessional instructors who have given selflessly of their time throughout the Faculty’s history.