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## Colleagues defend Bre-X lawyer in Law Society fight

Tom Curry and Jaan Lilles were quoted in the Toronto Star on January 9, 2015.

Embattled Bre-X lawyer Joe Groia got a boost on Friday from high-profile colleagues and defenders of freedom of expression, who warned that his prosecution by the Law Society of Upper Canada for "incivility" could have a "chilling effect" in courtrooms...

...Society lawyer Jaan Lilles told the panel of three judges that the regulator has an important role to play in "governing the behaviour of lawyers in the courtroom," and that limits of civility are clear...

...Society lawyer Tom Curry countered that Groia's "defiance was not insignificant," explaining that he rejected "every aspect of the law society's argument..."

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