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Application for Admission as a Student

1. Personal Information

Preferred Pronouns: (select)

Full Name:

Preferred Name (if different than above):

Have you ever used a name other than the above? ☐ ☐

If yes, provide the names you have used and when you used them:

Date of Birth (dd/mm/yyyy):

2. Proof of Legal Name

Please indicate which document(s) you will provide as proof of your legal name (note: all documents must be current at the time of application):

Canadian Citizen/Permanent Resident of Canada

- ☐ (a) Canadian Birth Certificate
- ☐ (b) Indian Status Card
- ☐ (c) Identification issued by an Inuit government or representative organization
- ☐ (d) Canadian Citizenship Identification
- ☐ (e) Canadian Permanent Resident Card
- ☐ (f) Official Name Change Certificate [Applicant must also submit one of (a), (b), (c), (d) or (e)]
- ☐ (g) Marriage Certificate [Only required for applicant adopting a spousal surname. Applicant must also submit one of (a), (b), (c), (d) or (e)]

Non Canadian Citizen/Permanent Resident of Canada

Applicant must submit a valid passport (copy of passport identification page is adequate) and one of the following documents:

- ☐ Temporary Resident Visa issued by the Government of Canada
- ☐ Study Permit issued by the Government of Canada
- ☐ Work Permit issued by the Government of Canada

3. Address Information

Unit/Suite/Apt Number:

Street Name and Number:

P.O. Box:

City/Town:

Province/State:

Postal Code:

Country:

Phone Number:

Email:

4. Good Character

The Law Society Act requires that an applicant for admission to the Law Society of Newfoundland and Labrador shall be of good character. All applicants must answer the following questions, which help the Law Society determine whether the applicant is of good character. If you answer "yes" to any of the following questions, please provide details in the space provided. Attach additional documentation if necessary.

(a) Have you ever been found guilty of any criminal offence, or any other offence involving breach of trust or dishonesty? No ☐ Yes ☐

(b) Have you ever been adjudged in any legal proceedings with bankruptcy or insolvency, or have you ever filed a voluntary petition or assignment in bankruptcy?

☐ No ☐ Yes

(c) Do you currently have any outstanding civil judgments or criminal charges against you?

☐ No ☐ Yes

(d) Have you ever been suspended, disqualified, censured or had disciplinary action instituted against you as a member of any professional organization (please include whether you are currently the subject of any allegation/investigation by a professional organization)?

☐ No ☐ Yes

(e) Have you ever been denied or had revoked any license or permit which required proof of good character?

☐ No ☐ Yes

(f) While attending a post-secondary institution, have allegations of misconduct ever been made against you, or, have you ever been suspended, expelled or penalized by a post-secondary institution for misconduct?

☐ No ☐ Yes

(g) Have you ever been refused admission as an applicant or member of any professional body?

☐ No ☐ Yes

(h) Have you ever been discharged from any employment where the employer alleged there was cause?

☐ No ☐ Yes

(i) To your knowledge or belief, is there any event, circumstance, condition or matter not disclosed in your replies to the preceding questions that may concern your conduct, character and reputation, and that you know or believe might be considered an impediment to your admission or matter warranting further enquiry by the Law Society?

☐ No ☐ Yes

Note: You must immediately notify the Law Society in writing if your answer to any of these questions changes at any time prior to being called to the Bar. A Good Character Amendment Form is available on the Law Society website for any subsequent changes to these answers.

5. Education

Applicants seeking admission to the Newfoundland and Labrador Bar must provide verification of a Canadian common law degree (LL.B. or J.D.) or a Certificate of Qualification (CQ) from the National Committee on Accreditation (NCA). Applicants shall provide a copy of their (i) Canadian common law degree or CQ, and (ii) law school transcript, which shall be sent directly to the Law Society by the issuing institution.

Please indicate below which credential you hold and the date you received your degree or CQ. NCA candidates please note your "Date of Degree or Certificate Awarded" should be the month you will receive your CQ, not the month in which you write your final NCA examinations.

Type of Credential: (select one)

Date Degree or Certificate Awarded (dd/mm/yyyy):

If you hold a CQ, what country did you earn your law degree in?

6. Accommodation

Any student who is unable to participate in the Bar Admission Course or write the Bar Admission Examinations on the scheduled date(s) and/or in their ordinary format shall notify the director of admissions and education at churley@lsnl.ca in the manner set out in the Bar Admission Course Accommodation Policy. A copy of this policy shall be provided to every student upon admission. Please note that a request for accommodation, together with all supporting documents, must be received on or before the first day of August of the year in which the student will be participating in the Bar Admission Course.

☐ I intend to submit an accommodation request and the required documentation and forms by the required deadline.

7. Articling Placement

Anticipated Start Date: (select)

Employer:

Principal:

8. Authorizations and Undertakings

I hereby:

1. Authorize the Law Society of Newfoundland and Labrador to make inquiries of any person, government, educational institution, police force, military authority, governing body, or other organization regarding any matter relevant to this Application for Admission as a Student;

2. Authorize any person, government, educational institution, police force, military authority, governing body, or other organization contacted pursuant to this authorization to provide the Law Society of Newfoundland and Labrador with any information or documentation it requests;

3. Authorize the Law Society of Newfoundland and Labrador to share any information or documentation I provide in connection with this Application — including the results of any inquiries made pursuant to this authorization — with any other Canadian law society or regulatory body responsible for governing the legal profession. I understand that such disclosure may be made for the purposes of verifying information, assessing eligibility for admission, or otherwise supporting the Law Society's public interest mandate; and

4. Undertake that, while enrolled as a student, I will comply with the Law Society Act, 1999, the Law Society Rules, the Code of Professional Conduct, and all other applicable requirements of the Law Society.

9. Declaration of Applicant

I, _____, do solemnly declare that:

1. I am the applicant described in this Application for Admission as a Student;
2. I have personal knowledge of the information I have provided in this application; and
3. The information provided is true, accurate and complete.

Electronic Signature

This document may be executed by an electronic signature, which may include a person's digital signature or a person's typed name in the space provided below, and such signature shall have the same effect as a handwritten signature. If the signature is a typed name, the document should be delivered from an email account associated with the person signing in this fashion.

Signature: _____ Date (dd/mm/yyyy): _____

IMPORTANT

When completed, this application form and supporting documents must be filed with the Law Society prior to the deadlines specified in Rule 6.06(5). Documents filed by email should be sent to admissions@lsnl.ca. Documents filed in person or by post should be addressed to the attention of the Director of Admissions and Education.

Other documents required to be filed with your Application for Admission as a Student include:

- ☐ Any separate sheets used in the completion of any of the questions on this form; the separate sheets must be signed by you and attached to this form;
- ☐ A Certificate of Qualification issued by the National Committee on Accreditation (applicable to internationally-trained law graduates only)
- ☐ Original law school transcript sent directly to the Director of Admissions and Education by the issuing institution, which shows that the candidate has met all of the prerequisites for graduation (not applicable to internationally-trained law graduates);
- ☐ Notarized copy of a Government Issued Photo ID;
- ☐ Criminal Record Screening Certificate;
- ☐ Proof of legal name (see: item 2 in Application for Admission as a Student for details);
- ☐ Articles of Clerkship (please note that principals must meet certain requirements, pursuant to rule 6.07);
- ☐ Education Plan; and
- ☐ Application fee of $345.00 ($300.00 + $45.00 HST).
- ☐ Principal Consent and Eligibility form

The application fee can be paid by cheque made out to the Law Society of Newfoundland and Labrador or by e-transfer sent to receipts@lsnl.ca.

Schedule A
Demographic Information

The Law Society is gathering statistics on the composition of the profession to better understand demographic trends in the profession, develop programs and initiatives within the mandate of the Law Society and promote equality and diversity in the profession. While this section is voluntary and the information collected will be kept confidential, we encourage all applicants to answer this question to enhance the reliability of the data. The information will only be available in aggregate form and will not be used to identify individual candidates.

(a) We know that people of different races do not have significantly different genetics. But our race still has important consequences, including how we are treated by different individuals and institutions. Which race category best describes you? Check all that apply:

- ☐ Black (e.g. African, Afro-Caribbean, African Canadian descent)
- ☐ East/Southeast Asian (e.g. Chinese, Korean, Japanese, Taiwanese descent or Filipino, Vietnamese, Cambodian, Thai, Indonesian, or other Southeast Asian descent)
- ☐ Indigenous (e.g. First Nations, Inuk/Inuit, and/or Métis)
- ☐ Latino (e.g. Latin American, Hispanic descent)
- ☐ Middle Eastern (e.g. Arab, Persian, West Asian descent [e.g., Afghan, Egyptian, Iranian, Lebanese, Turkish, Kurdish])
- ☐ South Asian (e.g. South Asian descent [e.g. East Indian, Pakistani, Bangladeshi, Sri Lankan, Indo-Caribbean])
- ☐ White (e.g. European descent)
- ☐ Another race category (please specify) _____
- ☐ Do not know
- ☐ Prefer not to answer

(b) Do you identify as First Nations, Inuk/Inuit, and/or Métis?

- ☐ Yes, First Nations
- ☐ Yes, Inuk/Inuit Yes,
- ☐ Métis
- ☐ No
- ☐ Prefer not to answer

If you identify as First Nations, Inuk/Inuit, and/or Métis, to which region and/or nation do you belong?

_____

(c) Do you identify as Francophone?

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No
- [ ] Prefer not to answer

(d) To which gender identity do you most identify?

- [ ] Female
- [ ] Male
- [ ] Non-binary
- [ ] Gender non-conforming
- [ ] Prefer not to answer
- [ ] Other: _____

(e) Do you identify as 2SLGBTQIA+?

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No
- [ ] Prefer not to answer

(f) Do you identify as a person with a disability?

- [ ] Yes
- [ ] No
- [ ] Prefer not to answer

(g) To which religion do you most identify?

- [ ] Athiest
- [ ] Buddhist
- [ ] Roman Catholic
- [ ] Other Christian, such as Eastern Orthodox or Ukrainian Catholic Hindu
- [ ] Jewish
- [ ] Muslim
- [ ] Protestant
- [ ] Sikh
- [ ] No Religion
- [ ] Prefer not to answer
- [ ] Other (please specify): _____