

News & Updates

August 21, 2024



Amendments: Part VI – Education and Bar Admission Rules

Benchers have approved amendments to Rules 6.08, 6.09, and 6.14. We highlight the following substantive amendments:

- New subrule 6.08(9): Introduces procedures for managing terminated articling relationships; and
- Rule 6.14: Notes deadline for completing the articling term before the Call to the Bar ceremony.

These updates are intended to streamline the articling process and ensure a smoother transition for students.

VIEW THE LAW SOCETY RULES HERE



Notice from the Lawyers' Insurance Programme

Please be advised that a copy of the 2024-2025 Cyber & Privacy Liability Coverage Policy from the Canadian Lawyers' Insurance Association (CLIA) is now available upon emailing a request to Janice Ringrose, Insurance & Risk Manager at insurance@Isnl.ca. You can

also find a copy of the Policy in the Law Society Members' Portal.

To be eligible for coverage, the following minimum standards are necessary:

- Backup Controls
- Patching
- Anti-Virus/Firewalls
- Multifactor Authentication (MFA)
- Email Scanning
- Employee Awareness Training

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Reminder to Return Law Library Access Cards

As the summer term concludes, students are kindly asked to return their Law Library access cards directly to the Law Society before finishing. If an office card was also activated as a library card, it should be brought to the Law Library for deactivation.

If any cards were accidentally returned to the firm, the Law Society would greatly appreciate assistance in sending them back. Thank you for your cooperation.



Upcoming Continuing Professional Development Opportunity

Join the Law Society on August 28 for an insightful seminar on municipal issues affecting real estate transactions in Newfoundland and Labrador. This session will cover crucial topics such as expropriation, tax sales, non-conformity, subdivision/consolidation, and the purchase and sale of municipal land. Our expert presenters will also delve into key provisions of the *Urban and Rural Planning Act*, the *City of St. John's Act*, and the *Towns and Local Service Districts Act*.

Attendees will gain valuable knowledge on how these issues influence real

estate transactions and discover strategies to navigate potential challenges.

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER



Our practice resources offer valuable insights regarding the complexities of law practice management. Created to help lawyers navigate the requirements and obligations outlined in the *Law Society Act*, *1999*, Law Society Rules, and Code of Professional Conduct, they serve as supportive tools. While not exhaustive, they provide valuable insights.

Please remember that every practice management question should be considered within your unique context, and professional judgment is very important.

Reading Suggestions for Practice Management

MANAGING MONEY

Disciplinary Matters

Through the disciplinary process, the Law Society of Newfoundland and Labrador reviews and assesses the professional conduct of its members. These assessments are made based on ethical standards outlined in the *Law Society Act, 1999*, along with the Law Society Rules and the Code of Professional Conduct.

DISCIPLINARY DECISIONS

HEARINGS

COUNSELS & CAUTIONS



Notice from the Supreme Court of Newfoundland and Labrador

Please be advised that the elevator at the General Division courthouse in St. John's will be out of service for replacement from September 1 to September 30, 2024.

If you require any assistance or accommodations to attend a Court proceeding during this period, please contact the Court directly.



The Law Society of Newfoundland and Labrador website has an events section with updated CPD opportunities, events, conferences, and more. A list of recordings is available here

Upcoming Events

Law Society Events:

 Municipal Issues Arising in Real Estate Transactions by the Law Society of Newfoundland and Labrador - August 28

Third-Party Events:

- Stories of Respect, Dignity, & Mutual Concern: Restorative Justice in Education by the RFNL Summer Institute - August 26
- Atlantic Immigrant Career Loan Fund Online Information Session by the Immigrant Services Association of Nova Scotia - August 26
- Can We Be Friends? Navigating workplace interactions in an increasingly conflicted world by Lancaster House - August 27
- Legal French for Beginners Series by the Fédération des Francophones de Terre-Neuve et du Labrador - September 10
- Introduction to Family Dispute Resolution by the Continuing Legal Education Society of British Columbia - September 12
- Cybercrime in the intimate partner and honour-based abuse contexts: signs and preventative strategies by the Commonwealth Lawyers Association September 19

- 6-Part Mediation Guest Lecture Series by the Commonwealth Lawyers Association -September 19
- Family Mediation Theory, Skills, and Practice by MDW Mediation September 19
- Deposing Difficult Witnesses by the Seminar Partners September 19
- The future of Artificial Intelligence and Automated Decision-Making in Public Law Decision-Making by the Commonwealth Lawyers Association September 26
- Killer Correspondence by the Toronto Lawyers Association October 1
- Workplace Investigation Pitfalls & How to Avoid Them by the Seminar Partners -October 10
- CLIA Peace of Mind Virtual Conference October 24
- Preventing & Dealing with Will Drafting Errors by the Seminar Partners November

VIEW ALL EVENTS

Did you know that the Law Society of Newfoundland and Labrador website has a News section with updated information on job opportunities, professional development, notices, and more? Visit our website today to check out some of the great online resources available.



Current Opportunities

- Agent of the Director of Public Prosecutions - Public Prosecution Service of Canada
- Journey Project Legal Support Navigator - PLIAN
- Associate Lawyer Benson Buffett
- Insurance Defence (Counsel I) TD Insurance (NS)
- Crown Attorney Public Prosecution Service (NS)
- Commissioner of Official Languages
 Government of Canada (ON)
- Crown Prosecutor Ministry of Justice (SK)

VIEW ALL OPPORTUNITIES

Members are reminded that they may only disclose the contents of a will where authorized to do so. By sending this search for a will, the Law Society is not in any way authorizing disclosure to the individual initiating the request. Members must assess whether that individual is entitled to review or know the contents of the will.

<u>Graham Thomas Rose</u> Born October 29, 1963; died August 12, 2024.

Last place of residence was Gander.

Any member with information regarding the Last Will and Testament is asked to contact April Smith at (709) 687-2045.

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This is a mandatory communication.