

News & Updates

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Opportunity to Get Involved with the Law Society

Contribute to creating an inclusive and diverse legal community in Newfoundland and Labrador by joining the Equity and Diversity Committee. Your participation is crucial in advancing inclusive practices and fostering a more representative legal profession in our province. Review the Terms of Reference for the Equity and Diversity Committee here.

To express your interest, please send your resume or a synopsis of your qualifications to Erin Rowe at erowe@lsnl.ca no later than Friday, 13 September 2024.

Join us in championing equity and diversity in Newfoundland and Labrador's legal landscape.



Launch of the Gladue Writer Pilot Project

We are pleased to announce the creation of the Gladue Writer Pilot Project, a new initiative aimed at providing enhanced access to Gladue reports for Indigenous persons being sentenced in Newfoundland and Labrador.

Defense lawyers and Crown attorneys can now request a Gladue report through the Newfoundland Aboriginal Women's Network (NAWN). NAWN has set up a secured portal on their website where you can easily submit a request. This portal ensures that all requests are promptly directed to the Project Manager, who will then assign them to one of the two staff Gladue writers based in Stephenville and Goose Bay or to one of the 10 roster writers located throughout the province.

To request a Gladue report, please visit the secured portal at: https://www.nawn-nf.com/gladue.

For any questions or further information, please contact Audrey Lucas at Manager.Gladue@gmail.com or call 709-643-8488.

We encourage all members to make use of this important resource and support this initiative to ensure fair and culturally informed sentencing for Indigenous persons in our justice system.

Expressions of Interest



Expressions of Interest – The Newfoundland and Labrador Federal Judicial Advisory Committee

The Newfoundland and Labrador
Federal Judicial Advisory Committee
screens all applicants for Newfoundland
and Labrador judicial appointments to
the Supreme Court, Trial Division and
Court of Appeal. Members of the
Committee include a candidate chosen
by the Federal Minister of Justice from a
list of three candidates recommended by
the Law Society of Newfoundland and
Labrador. The appointment is for three
years and may be renewed.

Candidates must be active members in good standing of the Law Society of Newfoundland and Labrador. Applicants must not have applied for a federal judicial appointment and must undertake not to apply within a period of one year

following the end of the Committee member's term.

The revised process for federal judicial appointments seeks to achieve a judiciary that reflects the diversity of Canadian society. Pursuant to this goal, the government will seek to ensure gender balance and diversity in appointing committee members.

For more information on the position and its requirements, please see here.

The Law Society will accept expressions of interest from lawyers in Newfoundland and Labrador. If you are applying, please provide:

- A recent resume
- A certification document
- A personal information sheet
- A background check consent form
- A voluntary self-identification form

You must provide your materials by <u>5:00</u> <u>pm on Wednesday, 18 September</u> **2024** by email to: erowe@lsnl.ca



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

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



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

- Gladue Review for Crown Attorneys, Defense Counsel, and Judges September 9
- Atlantic Immigrant Career Loan Fund Information Session by the Immigrant Services Association of Nova Scotia - September 9
- Introduction to Family Dispute Resolution by the Continuing Legal Education Society of British Columbia - September 12
- 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
- Family Law Information Session by the Supreme Court of Newfoundland and Labrador - September 25
- The Future of Artificial Intelligence in Public Law Decision Making by the Commonwealth Lawyers Association - September 26

- Legal French for Beginners Series by the Fédération des Francophones de Terre-Neuve et du Labrador - October 1
- 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

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

VIEW ALL OPPORTUNITIES

Search for a Will

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.

Glen Gordon Lene

Born September 20, 1963; died June 23, 2024.

Last place of residence was Makinsons.

Any member with information regarding the Last Will and Testament is asked to contact Suzanne Peters at (902) 566-1601.

Hector Sterling Dorey

Born March 28, 1932; died August 4, 2009.

Verbena Florence Dorey

Born September 17, 1940; died December 14, 2023.

Last place of residence was Embree, NL.

Any member with information regarding either Last Will and Testament is asked to contact Darren Dorey at (416) 230-0895 or at charly@rogers.com

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This is a mandatory communication.