



**LAW SOCIETY**  
Newfoundland & Labrador

## Upcoming Continuing Professional Development Opportunities

### **Court of Appeal: Rule Changes, Court Procedures, Technology, and Advocacy**

Date: 23 May 2025  
Time: 9:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

The Law Society is pleased to welcome the Court of Appeal for a seminar highlighting upcoming changes to the Court's Civil and Criminal Rules. In addition to discussing these amendments, the session will cover key procedural topics, including forms, practice notes, requests, status hearings, and registry processes.

The seminar will also feature an update on the Court of Appeal Legal Clinic and offer the Court's perspective on the use of artificial intelligence and other emerging technologies in court proceedings. Finally, there will be a practical overview of best practices in appellate advocacy.

All participants will receive hard copies of the Court of Appeal Civil Rules, 2025 and Court of Appeal Criminal Rules, 2025.

A short reception will follow the seminar, and lunch will be provided.

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### **Autism Acceptance and Understanding: Supporting Neurodivergent Clients, Colleagues, and Loved Ones**

Date: 27 May 2025  
Time: 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.  
*Free Session*

The session will provide participants with a deeper understanding of how to support Autistic individuals in meaningful, respectful ways. This session offers up-to-date, evidence-informed information about autism and Autistic culture. Grounded in a neurodiversity-affirming approach and the social model of disability, the training includes:

- Insights into Autistic communication, processing, and culture
- Practical strategies for creating inclusive, neuro-affirming environments for both clients and professionals
- Content developed using Autistic-led resources
- Discussion about the duty to accommodate and other human rights considerations

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## **Empowering Legal Professionals: Mastering Lexis+ AI for Research Excellence**

Date: 9 June 2025

Time: 12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

*Free Session - Webinar Only*

Join us for an insightful webinar on Lexis+ AI, where we will offer a refresher on general legal research skills and explore advanced legal research techniques with the transformative power of AI in the legal field. Discover how Lexis+ AI can enhance your research efficiency and decision-making processes, tailored specifically for legal professionals.

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## **The Anatomy of a Personal Injury Claim - Best Practices, Caselaw, and Trends**

Date: 11 June 2025

Time: 1:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Join us for an in-depth seminar exploring the key stages of a personal injury claim from both the plaintiff and defence perspectives. This session will cover best practices for claim assessment, pleadings, discovery, expert evidence, and settlement negotiations, while examining recent caselaw and emerging trends in personal injury litigation. Gain insights from experienced practitioners on strategic litigation approaches, risk management, and evolving legal frameworks. A must-attend for those practicing in personal injury law or seeking to refine their litigation skills.

In-person attendance is strongly encouraged where possible. Attendees are invited to stay after the seminar for an informal social reception.

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