### LAW SOCIETY OF NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR

### **FORM 5.07A**

# Annual Trust Account Report Required by Rule 5.07(3) of Uniform Trust Account Rules

### Filing Instructions

- 1. With the exception of members who are exempt under s. 5.09 of the Rules, and who must file Form 5.07B, this Report in Form 5.07A must be completed and filed with the Society no later than November 1<sup>st</sup> of each year.
- 2. In this Form "Rules" means the Uniform Trust Account Rules of the Law Society of Newfoundland and Labrador.
- 3. The Form is to cover a calendar year from October 1<sup>st</sup> to September 30<sup>th</sup>, notwithstanding the fiscal year of the firm.
- 4. The Form must be completed in full and signed and dated before being forwarded to the Society.
- 5. The Declaration by the bookkeeper as to the person responsible for maintaining the accounting records must be signed and dated before being forwarded to the Society.
- 6. If there is not sufficient space on the Form, answers should be completed on separate sheets and attached as a schedule, identifying the section of the Form to which it applies.
- 7. The address of the Society for filing of the Report is PO Box 1028, St. John's, NL, A1C 5M3 or 196 -198 Water Street, St. John's.

NOTE: Failure to file this Report by the date fixed by the Society shall result in suspension as provided in Rule 5.08 as follows:

### SUSPENSION FOR FAILURE TO FILE

5.08 If a member fails to file a report in Form 5.07A or 5.07B within the time required under section 5.07, or fails to provide additional information in compliance with a request under subsection 5.07(5), the Executive Director shall send a notice in writing to the member and/or firm informing the member and/or firm that if Form 5.07A or 5.07B is not filed within fifteen (15) days from the date of delivery of the notice to the member and/or firm, the membership or enrollment in the society shall be suspended until such time as the member and/or firm is in compliance.

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# PURSUANT TO RULE 5.07(3) OF THE UNIFORM TRUST ACCOUNT RULES LAWYER'S TRUST ACCOUNT REPORT - 2025

1.	This report covers the perio	d from <b>O</b>	ctober	1, 202	4 to Sep	otemb	er 30,	<b>2025</b> (r	eportin	g peri	od).
2.	Name of law firm or sole pra	actitioner									
3.	Addresses of offices covered by this Report										
4.	Telephone	Fax _			E-	·Mail _					
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	, Estates, Trusts Law										
Work	place Safety & Insurance Law										
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5.	At the	At the end of the reporting period:								
	(a)	Names of proprietor and/or partners and/or shareholders								
	(b)	-	yers who are not partners							
	(c)	Names of all lawyers as	sociated with the firm other th	an partners and employed lawyers						
	(d)	Names of all lawyers who are members of other law societies, identify society(s)								
6.			signated person for this firm to iplinary matters is							
	The a	The alternate designated person is								
	Sole	practitioners are not req	uired to complete item 6							
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7.	(provi	Changes from the date of the last report in partners, employed lawyers and associated lawyer (provide full particulars, including the exact date on which any member left or joined your fire during the reporting period).								
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(a)	a chart or it sh	ered bank, all deposit	a trust	al law corporatio company or oth ney received or	er depo	ository ap	proved by the	ne board, inte	o which he
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12.	(a)	end of the reporting period. This includes all persons with permanent or ter signing authority.					
	Finai Bran	ncial Institution, Name and Account N	lumber	Signing Officers an Position with Firm	nd		
	(b)	Were there any changes in the signin period?  If yes, explain			Yes □	No □	
13.	(a)	During the reporting period, did any signing authority or control with resp estate or a trust, while acting in a rep in the Rules?  If "yes", was any trust money or trust general or specific trust accounts and	ect to the adm resentative cap property held o	ninistration of an pacity as defined	Yes □ Yes □	No □	
	(b)	Bank Balances as at September 30, 2					
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		difference between the reconciled bank ation below:	k balance and	the client trust liab	ilities, provide	e a	

NOTE: Attach supporting documentation to explain any discrepancies if required.

14.	(a)	institution deposit, the lawy	money was deposited into a trust account in a fin in the province authorized by law to receive mon which account was kept under the name of the firm of er is a member and is designated both in the records the financial institution as a trust account [Rule 5.04(1)]	ey on which of the	Yes □	No □
	(b)		sits to the trust account(s) were made in accordance 03 and 5.04.	e with	Yes □	No 🗖
15.	(a)	trust car	rm holding in trust any funds for which the purpose nnot be fulfilled or the trust funds cannot be distribu unclaimed? (s. 70.1 of the <i>Law Society Act, 1999</i> )		Yes □	No □
	(b)	If yes, pr	rovide details.			
16.	Durinç	the report	ting period:			
	(a)		was kept for each client from or on whose behalf anywas received or disbursed [Rule 5.02(1)].	y trust	Yes □	No □
	(b)	the follo 5.02(1)]:				
		l i	a book of original entry or data source showing the dreceipt and source of money received in trust for each and identifying the client on whose behalf the trust rwas received [Rule 5.02(1)(a)];	client	Yes □	No □
		( ( (	a book of original entry or data source showing disbursements of money held in trust for each clier showing each cheque number, the date of disbursement, the name of each recipient, and iden the client on whose behalf each disbursement is made 5.02(1)(b)];	nt and each tifying	Yes <b>□</b>	No □
		\	a client's trust ledger showing separately for each pers whose behalf trust money has been received all such r received and disbursed with applicable transaction dat any unexpended balance [Rule 5.02(1)(c)];	noney	Yes □	No □
		)   	a record showing all transfers of trust money between clients' trust ledger accounts together with explanations of the purpose each transfer is made [Rule 5.02(1)(d)];	N/A □	Yes □	No □
		ì í	a book of original entry or data source showing the dreceipt and source of all money received other than money (i.e. general account) [Rule 5.02(1)(e)];		Yes □	No □

		(vi)	a book of original entry or data source showir disbursements of money, other than trust money showing each cheque or voucher number, the date of disbursement and the name of each recipient (i.e. graccount) [Rule 5.02(1)(f)];	, and each	Yes □	No □
		(vii)	a book, data source or chronological files of copi billings, showing all the fees and other billings charg- clients, the dates such charges were made, and iden the clients charged [Rule 5.02(1)(g)];	jed to	Yes □	No 🗆
		(viii)	a record showing all trust property held in trust for clients, and identifying the client on whose behalf the property is held [Rule 5.02(1)(i)];	N/A □	Yes □	No □
		(ix)	bank statements or passbooks, cashed cheques detailed duplicate deposit slips for all trust and graccounts [Rule 5.02(1)(j)];		Yes □	No □
		(x)	written confirmation of electronic transfer of funds; [Rule 5.04(2)]	N/A □	Yes □	No □
		(xi)	a record of the receipt and disbursement of money received by the firm but not paid into a trust account as permitted by Rule 5.04(6)	N/A □	Yes □	No □
	(c)	above	ooks, records, data sources and accounts referred to in have been entered and posted at all times as requir 0.02(2).		Yes □	No □
17.	compa and the the bo	rison ma e total o ooks, da	eporting period, the firm maintained a record show ade monthly of the total of balances held in all trust acc f all unexpended balances of trust money as they appea ata sources and records, together with the reason fo tween the totals and supported by [Rule 5.02(1)(h):	counts r from		
		(i)	a detailed listing made monthly showing the amount o money held for each client and identifying each clie whom trust money is held [Rule 5.02(1)(h)(i)]; and		Yes □	No □
		(ii)	a detailed reconciliation made monthly of each trust ac [Rule 5.02(1)(h)(ii)]	count	Yes □	No □
18.	have b	een ma	tions required of the trust accounts referred to in 17 adde monthly within 30 days from the date in respect of on is made [Rule 5.02(2)(a)]		Yes □	No □
19.	During	the repo	orting period:			
	(a)	deposi	Il trust money required to be deposited in a trust actived not later than the first banking day following the cat? [Rule 5.04(1)]		Yes □	No □
	(b)	has ar 5.04(7	ny trust account been used for a purpose prohibited by )?	Rule	Yes □	No □

(c)	the fu	has any trust account been overdrawn as a whole, or with respect to the funds held on account of any person for reasons other than those described in Rule 5.06(2)?			No □
		s", was the overdraft reported under Rule 5.06(1)? de an explanation.	lf not,	Yes □	No □
(d)	was n Rule (				
	(i)	money properly required for payment on behalf of a [Rule 5.05(2)(a)];	client	Yes □	No □
	(ii)	money required to reimburse the firm for money spent expenses properly incurred on behalf of a client 5.05(2)(b)];		Yes □	No □
	(iii)	money properly required for or toward payment of fe which a billing or other written notification has been del to the client [Rule 5.05(2)(c)];		Yes □	No □
	(iv)	money that is directly transferred into another trust account and held on behalf of a client [Rule 5.05(2)(d)];	N/A □	Yes □	No □
	(v)	money inadvertently deposited in a trust account [Rule 5.05(2)(e)]	N/A □	Yes □	No □
(e)		more funds withdrawn from a trust account than held s credit? [Rule 5.05(2)]	d in a	Yes □	No □
(f)	trust	every cheque drawn on a trust account marked as a account cheque and made payable to a named e? [Rule 5.05(5)]	N/A □	Yes □	No □
(g)		every withdrawal by electronic funds transfer done in dance with Rule 5.05(6), and	N/A □	Yes □	No □
	(i)	does the electronic funds transfer system requpassword or access code [Rule 5.05(6)(a)]?	iire a	Yes □	No □
	(ii)	does the member retain/maintain the password or a code [Rule 5.05(6)(b)]?	iccess	Yes □	No □
	(iii)	does the electronic funds transfer system product written confirmation as required by Rule 5.05(6)(c);	e the	Yes □	No □
(h)	was every withdrawal by electronic funds transfer supported by an electronic funds transfer requisition as required by Rule 5.05(6)(e)?  N/A  Yes				No □
(i)	becar	noney on deposit in a trust account to which the member one entitled withdrawn from the trust account as so nably possible? [Rule 5.05(1)]		Yes □	No □

(j)	was the balance on deposit maintained in each trust ac sufficient to meet all obligations at all times with respect to n held in trust for each client? [Rule 5.05(9)]		Yes □	Ν
(k)	were any cash withdrawals made from a trust account by means of a debit card? [Rule 5.05(8)]		Yes □	Ν
(I)	was trust money held outside the Province done in accordance with the National Mobility Agreement or on instructions by the client in writing? [Rule 5.04(8)]	N/A □	Yes □	Ν
compl	all of the books, data sources, records and accounts maintain liance with the Rules so that an audit trail is created f actions?		Yes □	Ν
During	g the period covered by this report:			
by bo	or <b>any and all</b> cash payments received, were the cash receipts on the employee receiving the cash and person delivering the cash are required by rule 15.03(2)?			
	no, please provide an explanation.	N/A □	Yes □	1
	id any member receive cash as defined by rule 15 in the amo	ount of	Yes □	1
\$7,50 (d) If			Yes □	1
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23.	During the reporting period, did any member of the firm, either directly or indirectly through a related person or corporation, hold mortgages or other charges on real property in trust for clients or other persons?	Yes □	No 🖵
24.	During the reporting period, were any loans made to clients <u>without</u> the approval of the Executive Director as required by rule 5.12?	Yes □	No □
	If yes, please provide details.		
25.	The Law Society recommends that members maintain a secure back-up system which can be restored in the event of destruction of the current system. The placed in an onsite fireproof safe or an offsite secure location.		
	Does the firm maintain a secure backup of files and records?	Yes □	No 🗖
	If yes, please provide details.		
26.	Are all members and staff, who are involved in real estate transactions, fully know mortgage fraud red flags circulated by the Law Society?	vledgeable of	the
		Yes □	No 🗖
27.	Are all members fully knowledgeable of the content of the Federation of L Canada's Online Learning Program, "Anti-Money Laundering and Terrorist I Canadian Legal Profession"?		
	Canadian Legai Froiession !	Yes □	No 🗖
28.	For sole practitioners, please advise whether you have an appropriate successi including a named successor, in the event that you are no longer able to practice		ice,
	N/A □	Yes □	No □
29.	Please provide an explanation for any exceptions reported to the Rules (attach schedule if necessary):		

### MEMBER CERTIFICATION AND AUTHORIZATION AND BOOKKEEPER DECLARATION

### To be completed by:

- (a) a sole practitioner; or
- (b) or in the case of a firm, by the managing partner(s) or other member(s) in authority designated by the firm; and
- (c) the bookkeeper of the firm.

### **Member Certification and Authorization**

I/We hereby certify to the Society that:

- (a) I am/We are authorized on behalf of the firm to complete Form 5.07A.
- (b) I/We have read and are familiar with the Uniform Trust Account Rules.
- (c) No matters have arisen subsequent to the reporting period which, had they occurred during the said period, would have been reported as an exception to the Rules referred to in statements 14, 15, 16, 17, 18 or 19 above (attach schedule if necessary).
- (d) The information contained in this Report is true and correct to the best of my/our knowledge and belief, and the books, records, data sources and accounts maintained in connection with the practice fully disclose the trust obligations to clients.
- (e) In compliance with the provisions of Section 69 of the *Law Society Act, 1999*, I/We have filed instructions with the financial institutions to remit to the Law Foundation of Newfoundland and Labrador the interest earned on the account numbers of all general trust accounts listed in Form 5.07A maintained at the branch addresses of the financial institutions.

### I/We hereby:

- (a) authorize the Society to make available to the Law Foundation of Newfoundland and Labrador the account numbers of all general trust accounts listed in Form 5.07A together with the names and branch addresses of the financial institutions in which the accounts are maintained; and
- (b) consent to all financial institutions with general or specific trust accounts of the firm or professional law corporation to disclose to the Society occasions on which any of the trust accounts have been subject to a deficiency, shortfall or overdraft.

### **Bookkeeper Declaration**

I hereby declare to the Society that I am the person responsible for maintaining the accounting records of the firm and the information contained within this report has been reviewed by me and is correct.

Signature of member	Signature of bookkeeper
Name of member (please print)	Name of bookkeeper (please print)
Signature of member	Date
Name of member (please print)	
Date	