



News & Updates

19 November 2025



The rule of law upholds our shared values - and it is *ours to protect*. Learn more [here](#).

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 DATES OF INTEREST

.....

20 November 2025: Andrew Martin Disciplinary Hearing

24-28 November 2025: Family Dispute Resolution Week

25 November 2025: Family Mediation Public Information Session

27 November 2025: FDRIA Conference 2025: Advancing Family Dispute Resolution in Atlantic Canada

8 December 2025 - Benchers' Meeting

10 December 2025 - Benchers' Reception

11 December 2025 - Free Webinar: Money Laundering Risks in Legal Practice - What Every Lawyer Needs to Know

11 December 2025 - CBA-NL Holiday Party

[VIEW ALL EVENTS HERE](#)

Meeting



Benchers' Meeting

Please note that the next Benchers' meeting will take place on 8 December 2025, at 9:30 am. Anyone wishing to attend a Benchers' meeting:

1. is required to provide notice of attendance to the Law Society by emailing erowe@lsnl.ca;
2. will not be permitted to use audio or video recording devices or communication devices during the meeting;
3. shall not speak, unless invited to do so by the President;
4. must observe and obey all rulings of the President; and
5. shall leave if the meeting is declared closed to the public or if asked to do so by the President.

At this time, attendance shall be via Zoom. An invite will be provided upon receipt of an attendance notice. Agendas will be posted on the [Law Society website](#) in advance of each meeting, and the Minutes for the Public portion of each meeting will also be posted on the website.

Please RSVP by noon on 4 December 2025 to Erin Rowe at erowe@lsnl.ca if you plan to attend the Benchers' Meeting.



Benchers' Reception

The President and Benchers of the Law Society of Newfoundland and Labrador request the pleasure of your company at the Benchers' Reception. Please see the details below:

Where: 196-198 Water Street, St. John's

When: 10 December 2025

Time: 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Please send your RSVP to Erin Rowe at erowe@lsnl.ca by 4 December 2025.



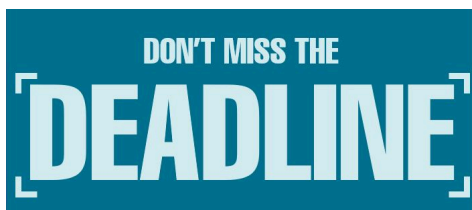
Free Webinar: Money Laundering Risks in Legal Practice - What Every Lawyer Needs to Know

Money laundering remains a serious threat in Canada, and the legal profession is a high-risk target. Lawyers routinely handle trust funds, create corporate structures, and facilitate transactions - activities that can be exploited, even in good faith.

With recent [FINTRAC](#) data showing billions of dollars in suspicious activity and lawyers again flagged as *high vulnerability* in the [2025 National Risk Assessment](#), due diligence has never been more critical.

Join us on 11 December 2025 for a free webinar covering how money laundering occurs in legal practice and strategies to avoid common pitfalls. You'll gain actionable guidance on risk assessment, client due diligence, trust-account vigilance, and spotting red flags - essential for protecting both your practice and your clients.

[LEARN MORE AND REGISTER HERE](#)



Deadline for PLC Licence Applications, Amendments, and Cancellations

Please be advised that all initial applications for, amendments to, or cancellations of Professional Law Corporation (PLC) licences must be submitted by 5 December 2025 to ensure sufficient time for review and processing before the Christmas break. Applications received after this date may not be processed until the New Year.

The necessary forms are available as follows:

- **Form 11.03A:** Submit this form along with the required documentation to apply for a Professional Law Corporation Licence. Please carefully review the 'Instructions for Completion' found at the beginning of Form 11.03A.
- **Form 11.03B:** Submit this form, along with the applicable fee and any required supporting documentation, to the Law Society for amendments to your PLC.
- **Form 11.07:** If you wish to cancel your PLC licence, please submit this completed form and the required documentation as outlined in section 2.



Transgender Day of Remembrance

20 November marks Transgender Day of Remembrance, a day dedicated to honoring the lives of those lost to anti-transgender violence. It serves as a solemn reminder of the ongoing struggles against discrimination faced by transgender people and underscores the continued need for safer, more inclusive communities.

The Law Society of Newfoundland and Labrador, through its Equity and Diversity Committee, remains committed to advancing equity, diversity, and inclusion within the legal profession. The Committee works to raise awareness of issues affecting equity-seeking groups, including the transgender community, and encourages meaningful reflection on the impacts of oppression and injustice.

Members are invited to recognize and appreciate the many contributions of transgender people within the legal profession. Consider attending a vigil or taking time to learn more about the challenges and experiences of the transgender community.



2026 Scholarships for Canadian Law Graduates

The [Canadian Institute for Advanced Legal Studies](#) is inviting applications for its 2026 scholarships for Canadian law graduates pursuing advanced legal studies. These prestigious awards include the [Paul Martin Sr. Scholarships](#) and the [Paul-André Crépeau Scholarship](#).

Eligible candidates must hold a Canadian law degree from the past four years. These awards offer an opportunity to study at world-leading institutions and gain international legal experience.

For more information or to apply before the deadline on 31 December 2025, please click [here](#).



CLIA Not So Risky Business Blog

The [Canadian Lawyers Insurance Association \(CLIA\) Not So Risky Business Blog](#) aims to assist legal professionals in practice management, error avoidance, and gaining a deeper insight into insurance coverage requirements. Every Wednesday, CLIA's blog will cover informative topics such as loss prevention tips, fraud alerts, cyber awareness, wellness, and more. You can also [subscribe to receive notifications of new posts directly to your inbox](#).

Recent Articles

- [What Do We Know from the Courts' Comments on Improper Use of AI?](#)



Call for Legal Workshop Facilitator

The [NL Francophone Justice Network](#) (Réseau Justice en français) is seeking a lawyer to deliver a presentation in French on the topic of sexual harassment in the workplace, covering the complaint process, identifying at-risk situations, and related issues.

What You'll Gain:

- The opportunity to make a meaningful impact by supporting access to justice within our community.
- A platform to share your expertise and contribute to important conversations on workplace rights and safety.

For more information or to participate, please click [here](#).



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

LAW OFFICE ORGANIZATION AND ADMINISTRATION

WELLNESS TOOLBOX

Wellness Toolbox: Weekly Resources for Your Well-Being

Your wellness toolbox includes resources to support your health and resilience. As a lawyer, prioritizing your well-being is essential for yourself, and those you serve.

Here's a list of resources from the Law Society's [Wellness Toolbox](#) for consideration. Stay tuned for new recommendations each week.

- [Homewood Health App](#)
- [Time to Reflect?](#)
- [Ideas with Nahlah Ayed](#)

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



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

- Associate Lawyer - Goodland Buckingham
- Articled Clerk - Nova Scotia Public Prosecution Service

- Legal Counsel - Canada-Newfoundland and Labrador Offshore Energy Regulator
- Board Member - Campia Gymnastics
- Lawyer - Whalen Law
- Board Member - Young Adult Cancer Canada
- Associate Lawyer - Mills Pittman Twyne Law Offices
- Personal Injury Litigation Lawyer - Nova Injury Law
- Crown Attorney - Department of Justice and Public Safety
- Staff Solicitors - Legal Aid NL
- Telephone Legal Advice Lawyer - Assistance Services Group

[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.

Nelson Charles Picture

Born 11 June 1941; died 4 October 2025.

Last place of residence was Flatrock.

Any member with information regarding the Last Will and Testament is asked to contact Christina Callahan at (709) 786-9207.

CONNECT WITH US



You are receiving this communication in accordance with your membership with the Law Society of Newfoundland and Labrador.

This is a mandatory communication.