



## News & Updates

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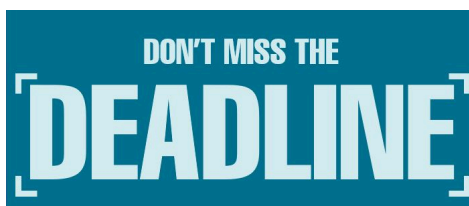
The Law Society of Newfoundland and Labrador website has an events section with updated CPD opportunities, events, conferences, and more. A list of recordings is available [here](#).

## UPCOMING DATES OF INTEREST

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- 7-9 November 2025: Up She Rises! Women and Gender in Newfoundland and Labrador Public Forum
- 13 November 2025: Trauma-Informed Restorative Justice for Healthier Schools, Communities, and Systems in NL
- 14 November 2025: The Declaratory Judgment: Its Availability and Its Limitations
- 18 November 2025: The Absence of Rest in Legal Culture - Implications for Health
- 20 November 2025: Andrew Martin Disciplinary Hearing

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### 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.*



## PRACTICE RESOURCES

### Anti-Money Laundering Resources

For members looking to strengthen their practice management and reduce exposure to risks such as money laundering, our [practice resources](#), including anti-money laundering guidance, offer practical tools and insights on client verification, monitoring, risk assessment, and overall compliance.

These resources help legal professionals identify red flags, implement effective controls, and navigate complex ethical and regulatory requirements in everyday practice. Whether you're reviewing existing procedures or addressing specific practice challenges, these materials provide support to manage risk and maintain professional diligence.



### Enhanced Access to DivorceMate for Members

Members of the Law Society of Newfoundland and Labrador can now access [DivorceMate](#) in a new cloud-based format at our [Law Library](#).

The update means that the software now runs online through DivorceMate's secure servers instead of being installed directly on the device. The interface and features will feel familiar, while performance and Microsoft Word integration have been improved. Please note that, although DivorceMate operates in the cloud, access is limited to the library, and remote use is not permitted.

Law Library staff cannot perform DivorceMate searches on behalf of users due to the confidential nature of the material.

Members can access this resource 24/7 using their access card.



### Modernizing Canadian Courtrooms: Join the Conversation

The [Courts Administration Service](#) (CAS) supports the [Federal Court of Appeal](#), the [Federal Court](#), the [Court Martial Appeal Court of Canada](#) and the [Tax Court of Canada](#) by delivering judicial, registry, and corporate services at arm's length from the [Government of Canada](#). This independence is essential to safeguarding the integrity of our justice system.

As part of the [National Court Facilities Modernization Program](#), CAS is transforming courtrooms across the country to support in-person, virtual, and hybrid hearings, ensuring timely access to justice for all Canadians. A key part of this initiative is the [Courtroom Technology Standard \(CTS\)](#), a national framework for courtroom design and technology that emphasizes flexibility, accessibility, and innovation.

To learn more and share your feedback:

- [Watch a short video](#) introducing the CTS
- Complete a brief survey in [English](#) or [French](#) before the deadline on 25 November 2025

Your input is essential to ensure our courtrooms meet real-world needs. For more information, 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](#)

- [Roundup: Cyber Coverage and Reporting Cyber Claims](#)



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](#)

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## 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.

- [The Litigator and Mental Health](#)
- [What Makes Lawyers Happy?](#)
- [211 Newfoundland and Labrador](#)

## 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

- Board Member - Campia Gymnastics
- Lawyer - Whalen Law
- Board Member - Young Adult Cancer Canada
- Lawyer - Department of Justice (NS)
- Associate Lawyer - Mills Pittman Twyne Law Offices
- Consultant - College of Physicians & Surgeons of Newfoundland and Labrador
- Personal Injury Litigation Lawyer - Nova Injury Law
- Crown Attorney - Department of Justice and Public Safety
- Counsel - Public Prosecution Service of Canada
- Staff Solicitors - Legal Aid NL
- Board Members - Family Dispute Resolution Institute Atlantic
- Board Member - Golf NL
- Telephone Legal Advice Lawyer - Assistance Services Group

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