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Newfoundland & Labrador

News & Updates

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10 SEPTEMBER

AI for Lawyers: Time
Management, Productivity,
and Practical Prompts

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22 SEPTEMBER

An Afternoon with The Right
Honourable Richard Wagner, P.C.,
Chief Justice of Canada

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OTHER DATES OF INTEREST



25 August: Andrew Martin Disciplinary Hearing

28 August: The Cupids Historical Society Annual Lecture - The Catherine Snow Story

16 September: Project Management Institute Annual Symposium and Silver Anniversary Gala

17 September: Silent No More - Virtual Tour of the Former Mohawk Institute Indian Residential School

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NCA Candidate Seeking Canadian Legal Experience

An internationally trained lawyer who has recently relocated to St. John's is seeking opportunities to gain Canadian legal experience while completing the [National Committee on Accreditation \(NCA\)](#) process.

They are interested in employment or volunteer opportunities within the legal community, including legal assistant, law clerk, administrative, research, or other entry-level roles that would provide exposure to Canadian legal practice.

Members or organizations who may have a suitable opportunity, or who would be interested in connecting with the candidate, should advise Christian Hurley at churley@lsnl.ca.

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](#) (the Act), along with the [Law Society Rules](#) and the [Code of Professional Conduct](#).

DISCIPLINARY DECISIONS

HEARINGS

COUNSELS & CAUTIONS



LAW COMMISSION OF ONTARIO
COMMISSION DU DROIT DE L'ONTARIO

New Survey Reports Highlight Systemic Challenges

The Law Commission of Ontario (LCO) has [released two new survey reports](#) as part of its Protection Orders project. The reports bring together the perspectives of 80

participants in the [Community Survey](#) and 257 participants in the [Professional Perspectives Survey](#).

While participants overwhelmingly agreed that protection orders are an important safety tool, both surveys identified significant concerns about how Ontario's current system operates.

Among the key findings:

- The vast majority of participants agreed that protection orders matter, yet, only a small minority said that protection orders are working well.
- Access is often slow, complex, and inconsistent.
- Breaches are common, and enforcement is frequently inadequate.
- Poor coordination between legal systems can undermine safety.
- Participants called for stronger enforcement, improved access, better coordination, and enhanced training for professionals.

Each report opens with an executive summary that outlines some of the key stats and findings. [Read the reports](#) to get the full picture.

Thank you to everyone who shared their experiences and expertise. A final report for the [Protection Orders project](#) will be released in early 2027.



[Statutory Review of The Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act, 2015](#)

The [Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act, 2015 \(ATIPPA\)](#) Statutory Review Committee 2025 invites you to provide submissions as part of its comprehensive review of the provisions and operation of the ATIPPA.

Submissions should align, where possible, with the headings set out in the Committee's [Terms of Reference](#). The Committee will also be holding public hearings in St. John's in October and November 2026, with virtual participation available.

For inquiries, or to submit before the deadline on 9 October 2026, please email ATIPPARReview@gov.nl.ca.



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Current Opportunities

- Chief Executive Officer - Nova Scotia Legal Aid
- Manager, Legal Department - WorkplaceNL
- Legal Counsel - WorkplaceNL
- Crown Attorney - Public Prosecution Service (NS)
- Reviewer - Department of Citizenship and Immigration
- Legal Counsel - Teladoc Health
- Crown Counsel (multiple positions) - Government of Saskatchewan
- Board Member - Centreville Place
- Crown Attorney - Manitoba Government

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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.

Dermot Connolly

Born 18 September 1944; died 10 August 2026.

Last place of residence was St. John's.

Any member with information regarding the Last Will and Testament is asked to contact Anne Veber at (709) 683-7738.

James Donald Stowe

Born 17 April 1951; died 7 August 2026.

Last place of residence was Mount Pearl.

Any member with information regarding the Last Will and Testament is asked to contact Mark Stowe at

Tonya Evette Abbott

Born 21 April 1968; died 10 August 2026.

Last place of residence was Gander.

Any member with information regarding the Last Will and Testament is asked to contact Mary Newton at

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