Law Society Newfoundland & Labrador

News & Updates

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

The Law Society of Newfoundland and Labrador's website has an events section with updated CPD opportunities, events, conferences, and more. A list of recordings is available here.

DATES OF INTEREST

22 October: Lawyers Only Trivia Night

25 October: CBA-NL Family Farm Day

3 November: Andrew Martin Disciplinary Hearing

3 November: Vicarious Trauma and the Mind-Body Impact of Legal Practice

1 December: Building Skills to Manage Trauma Exposure and Sustain Well-Being in Legal Practice

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Employment Opportunity with the Law Society of Newfoundland and Labrador

We are looking for an Investigations Counsel - Professional Responsibility to join our team.

The successful candidate will play an important role in the Law Society's mandate to regulate the legal profession in the public interest. Responsibilities

include assessing allegations, conducting investigations, evaluating evidence, preparing investigation reports, and providing legal advice on professional responsibility and disciplinary matters.

To learn more about this opportunity or to apply before the deadline on 30 October 2026, please click here.

Loss Prevention Tip #69: What to Do if You've Been Cyber Attacked

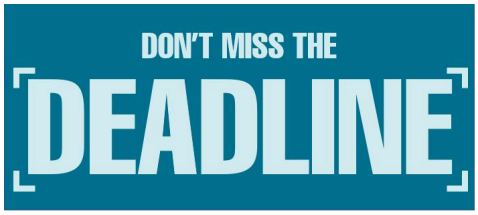
While preventative measures can help reduce the risk of a cyber-attack, no system is entirely immune. Recognizing the warning signs can help you identify a potential incident and take appropriate action. A cyber-attack may involve any of the following:

- Your systems are locked, and you receive a demand for funds, property, or services to regain access.
- Your sensitive data has been exposed or has been threatened to be exposed publicly.
- Data migrates off the network and is being sent to an unknown source.
- There is malware discovered on the system that has gone undetected for some time.
- Your computer system performance has deteriorated or is interrupted, and you suspect that it may be due to malware.
- A client or vendor alerts you of a third party attempting to impersonate your business.

Steps to take:

1. Change your email password and ensure that multi-factor authentication (MFA) has been enabled. Note: MFA is a requirement to be eligible for insurance.
2. Contact your IT Provider.
3. Notify the Law Society's cyber insurer at cyberclaims@clia.ca or phone 1-833-383-1488.
4. If this is an urgent situation, a Breach Coach is available 24/7 directly at 1-866-273-2249 or email nrfc.breach@nortonrosefulbright.com.

A copy of the Law Society's Cyber Insurance Policy (Part D) is available on the members' portal or by contacting Janice Ringrose, Insurance & Risk Manager, at insurance@lsnl.ca. A list of Loss Prevention Tips can be viewed 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 4 December 2026 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.*



Quantum of Damages Research Available Through the Law Library

Members can request quantum of damages research from the Law Society Law Library on a variety of topics. To help Library staff conduct the search, please specify the type of injury or claim and the relevant jurisdiction. While searches can be tailored to your needs, the available information may not be as specific as your case.

To request a quantum of damages search, contact the Law Library at lawlibrary@lsnl.ca. Library staff can conduct the research using the Society's Lexis+ subscription and email the results to you.

The following quantum of damages resources are available:

- Canada Breach of Contract Quantums
- Canada Child Support Quantums
- Canada Defamation Quantums
- Canada Dependants' Relief Quantums
- Canada Matrimonial Property Quantums
- Canada Medical Negligence Quantums
- Canada Property-Related Torts Quantums
- Canada Sentencing Quantums
- Canada Spousal Support Quantums
- Canada Wrongful Dismissal Quantum
- Carlson Personal Injury
- Wrongful Dismissal Notice Searcher



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.

- Lifewise Warmline
- The Trauma Informed Lawyer Podcast
- The Well-Being Hour

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Call for Applicants - Senate of Canada

The Independent Advisory Board for Senate Appointments is asking for your assistance in identifying Canadians who could serve in the Senate of Canada.

The Advisory Board is an independent body mandated to provide merit-based recommendations to the Prime Minister on Senate appointments. The Board is inviting applications from individuals

interested in being considered for current and upcoming Senate vacancies.

Application review dates can be viewed here. Submissions will be accepted even if there is no application review date. For more information or to apply, please click here.



Duty Counsel Day

Join us in celebrating the vital work of duty counsel lawyers - dedicated legal aid professionals who provide free, on-the-spot advice for family, criminal, and immigration cases across Canada.

Duty Counsel Day raises awareness of the important role duty counsel play in Canada's justice system and their contribution to access to justice. This work also encourages people to learn about their legal rights, explore careers in law and recognize the impact duty counsel have in their communities.



Survey: Family Law Professionals' Experiences and Training Needs in Cases Involving Family Violence

The Trauma Informed Responses Research Group at the University of Toronto is recruiting legal and mental health professionals to complete a survey for their study.

This study will review professionals' experiences and training needs when working with families affected by family violence in family law cases. The study is open to professionals working in family law across Canada including legal and mental health professionals across roles. This research will provide information on training and workplace support needs for family law professionals as well as offer insights on

improvements to responses for those affected by family violence.

For more information or to participate, please click here.



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

- Investigations Counsel - Professional Responsibility - The Law Society of Newfoundland and Labrador
- Area Director - Legal Aid NL
- Crown Attorney - Public Prosecution Service (NS)
- Legal Assistant - Central Law
- Board Member - Campia Gymnastics
- Crown Prosecutor - Ministry of Justice and Attorney General (SK)
- Legal Counsel - Nature Conservancy of Canada
- Disciplinary Panel Member - Newfoundland and Labrador College of Nurses
- Board Member - Commissionaires Newfoundland and Labrador
- Labour and Employment Lawyer - McLennan Ross LLP (NT)
- Legal Counsel - Teladoc Health

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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.

Alan Michael Taylor
Born 14 August 1981; died 18 October 2026.

Last place of residence was Pasadena.

Any member with information regarding the Last Will and Testament is asked to contact Melissa May at mmay@poolealthouse.ca.

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This is a mandatory communication.