



## NOVA SCOTIA BARRISTERS' SOCIETY

### SOCIETY COMMITTEES LIST JANUARY 2024 – DECEMBER 2025

Appointments are effective January 1, 2024, and expire December 31, 2025. Changes may be necessitated by circumstances. Council members are identified with a “(C).”

The President is an *ex-officio* member of all Committees including Task Forces and Working Groups (except the Hearing Committee).

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Jessica Rose	Brian Awad KC
Matthew Darrah	Sean MacDonald
Megan Roberts	Shelley Hounsell Gray KC
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Credentials Committee	
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Michelle Higgins KC	Jonathan Shapiro

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<b>Fitness to Practise Committee</b>	
Heather Totton, Chair	
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Scott Morrison	Alex Keaveny
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Peter Harrison	Mark Covan
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Heidi Schedler KC	Dr. Richard Norman (Public Rep)
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<b>COUNCIL COMMITTEES</b>	
<b>Code of Professional Conduct Committee</b>	
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Carla Ball	Lee-Ann Conrod
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Nicholas Foran	<i>Michael Brooker KC</i>
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<b>Disability Equity Committee</b>	
David Hirtle KC, Co-Chair	T. Alex LeBlanc
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Andrew Hill	Andrew Taylor
Mallory Adams	Allison Harris
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<b>Distinguished Service Award Committee</b>	
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J. Patrick Young	Annette Marshall (Public Rep)
Shannon Mason <b>(C)</b>	William Hatfield
	<i>Staff: Sharon Cox</i>
<b>Executive Committee</b>	
Mark Scott KC, Chair <b>(C)</b>	
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Andy Nickerson KC <b>(C)</b>	Carole Lee Reinhardt <b>(Public Rep/C)</b>
	<i>Staff: Cheryl Hodder KC</i>
<b>Finance Committee</b>	
Maurice Chiasson KC, Chair	
Brian Awad KC	Andrew Nickerson KC <b>(C)</b>
John Boddie	Mark Scott KC <b>(C)</b>
Gregg Knudsen	Hugh Wright
Richard Dyke (Public Rep)	Morgan Manzer <b>(C)</b>
	<i>Staff: Cheryl Hodder KC, Kate Shewan, Darlene Trenholm</i>
<b>Gender Equity Committee</b>	
Michelle Kelly KC, Co-Chair	
Michelle Chai, Co-Chair	Rosemary Osasere
D. Fraser MacFadyen <b>(C)</b>	Melanie Petrunia
Janice Maloney KC	Cheryl Schurman
Marc Njoh	Stacey O'Neill
	<i>Staff: Marla Brown</i>
<b>Governance Committee</b>	
Bryan Darrell, Chair <b>(Public Rep/C)</b>	
Michelle Higgins KC	Nancy Rubin KC
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<b>Lawyers' Fund for Client Compensation Committee</b>	
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David Hirtle KC	Melanie Petrunia
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<b>Professional Responsibility Policies &amp; Procedures Committee</b>	
Kimberley Turner KC, Chair	
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	<i>Staff: Elaine Cumming, Heather Burchill</i>
<b>Professional Standards (Criminal) Committee</b>	
Brian Bailey, Chair	
Sharon Goodwin	Brandon Rolle
Len MacKay	Anna Mancini
Alex MacKillop	Jade Pictou
J. Patrick Young	Melanie Perry
Allen Murray KC	Jennifer MacDonald (CB)
	<i>Staff: Robert McCleave</i>
<b>Professional Standards (Family) Committee</b>	
<b>Chair – To Be Determined</b>	
Solange Boudreau	Shannon Mason <b>(C)</b>
Darlene Lamey	Shelley Hounsell-Gray
Sarah Lennerton	Laura Kanaan
	<i>Staff: Lisa Wight</i>
<b>Professional Standards (Law Office Management) Committee</b>	
Robert B. Carter KC, Chair	
John Boddie	Julien Matte
Candee McCarthy	Angela Simmonds
Paul Saunders	
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<b>Professional Standards (Real Estate) Committee</b>	
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Elliott Fraser	Carmel Lavigne
Shanisha Grant	Raffi Balmanoukian
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<b>Professional Standards (Wills, Power of Attorney &amp; Personal Directives) Committee</b>	
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	<i>Staff: Lawrence Rubin</i>
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<b>Truth and Reconciliation Working Group</b>	
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<b>LIAISON COMMITTEES</b>	
<b>Court of Appeal Liaison Committee</b>	
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Patrick MacEwen	Lori Ward
Michelle Awad KC	Mark Scott KC <b>(C)</b>
Roger Burrill	Jack Townsend
Scott Campbell	Angela Walker
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<b>Family Court Liaison Committee</b>	
<b>Chair – To Be Determined</b>	
Jennifer Chiasson	Tammy MacKenzie
Carole Gillies KC	Celia Melanson
Sarah Lennerton	

<b>Provincial Court Liaison Committee</b>	
Karen Endres, Chair	
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Ian Hutchison	Denise Smith KC
Josh Judah KC	
<b>Supreme Court Liaison Committee</b>	
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Karen Bennett-Clayton	Robert Pineo
Matthew Moir	Geoffrey Newton
Mark Rieksts	John Nisbet
David Hutt	Shauna MacDonald KC
Michelle Kelly KC	Caroline McInnes - Prothonotary
<b>Supreme Court Liaison Committee (Family)</b>	
Krista Forbes, Chair	
Nick Burke	James Leiper
Peter Crowther	Anastacia DesLauriers
Amanda Dillman	Carolyn Nearing
Elaine Gibney	Jennifer Knebel Reid
Allison Kouzovnikov	Samira Zayid
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<b>Civil Procedure Rules Committee</b>	
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C. Danielle MacLean, Chair	
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<b>Advisory Committee on Judicial Appointments– Federal</b>	
Michelle Awad KC	
<b>Provincial Judicial Appointments Committee</b>	
Matthew Darrah	Jade Pictou

<b>Federation of Law Societies of Canada Council</b>	
Frank DeMont KC (C)	
<b>Indigenous Black and Mi'kmaq Initiative – Advisory Council</b>	
To Be Determined	
<b>Judicial Council (NSBS Appointments) Provincial Court Act 16(1)(e) and (f)</b>	
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<b>Law Foundation of Nova Scotia Legal Profession Act s. 72(1)(b)</b>	
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<b>Nova Scotia Legal Aid Commission Legal Aid Act s3(3)</b>	
George Ash, Chair	
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Gavin Giles KC	
<b>Judicial Council Review Committee</b>	
Mark Scott KC (C)	

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