



NOVA SCOTIA BARRISTERS' SOCIETY

STATISTICAL SNAPSHOT

Autumn 2014

| Membership (as of October 2014) | | | | | |
|--|-------|------------|--------|------------|-------|
| | Male | % of total | Female | % of total | |
| Practising | 1,201 | 61.6% | 750 | 38.4% | 1,951 |
| Practising – More than 50 years | 11 | 100% | 0 | 0.0% | 11 |
| Non- Practising including Retired | 440 | 52.7% | 395 | 47.3% | 835 |
| Life | 39 | 88.6% | 5 | 11.4% | 44 |
| Articling clerks – NS | 36 | 50.7% | 35 | 49.3% | 71 |

| Practising Lawyers – Geographical distribution (as of October 2014) (Note 1) | | | | | | | | |
|---|------|---------------|----------------------|--------|---------------|------------------------|-------|---------------|
| | Male | % of District | % of male population | Female | % of District | % of female population | Total | % by District |
| HRM | 790 | 59.1% | 65.8% | 546 | 40.9% | 72.8% | 1,336 | 68.5% |
| Southwestern | 155 | 74.9% | 12.9% | 52 | 25.1% | 6.9% | 207 | 10.6% |
| Central | 110 | 61.1% | 9.2% | 70 | 38.9% | 9.3% | 180 | 9.2% |
| Cape Breton | 94 | 65.7% | 7.8% | 49 | 34.3% | 6.5% | 143 | 7.3% |
| Outside NS | 52 | 61.2% | 4.3% | 33 | 38.8% | 4.4% | 85 | 4.4% |

| Practising Lawyers – Diversity (from 2014 Annual Lawyer Report) | % of population |
|--|------------------------|
| Acadian / Acadien | 3.7% |
| African Nova Scotian / Black | 2.3% |
| Mi'kmaq / Aboriginal | 2.4% |
| Racialized | 1.0% |
| Gay Lesbian Bisexual Transgendered | 2.1% |
| Persons with disabilities | 1.9% |
| None of the above | 62.5% |
| Chose not to answer | 18.0% |

| Type of Practice (from 2014 Annual Lawyer Report) (Note 2) | | | | | | | | |
|---|------|-----------|----------------------|--------|-----------|------------------------|-------|-----------|
| | Male | % of type | % of male population | Female | % of type | % of female population | Total | % by type |
| Partner | 352 | 77.0% | 29.6% | 105 | 23.0% | 14.4% | 457 | 23.8% |
| Government / public sector | 249 | 49.7% | 20.9% | 252 | 50.3% | 34.5% | 501 | 26.1% |
| Associate | 179 | 55.2% | 15.0% | 145 | 44.8% | 19.8% | 324 | 16.9% |
| Sole practitioner | 210 | 73.9% | 17.6% | 74 | 26.1% | 10.1% | 284 | 14.8% |
| Employed lawyer | 133 | 65.2% | 11.2% | 71 | 34.8% | 9.7% | 204 | 10.6% |
| All other | 68 | 44.7% | 5.7% | 84 | 55.3% | 11.5% | 152 | 7.9% |



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| Area of Law (percentage of time – from 2014 Annual Lawyer Report) | | | | | |
|--|-------------|--|---------------|--|------------------|
| | Male | | Female | | Aggregate |
| Civil litigation | 16.8% | | 13.9% | | 15.7% |
| Criminal | 15.5% | | 11.2% | | 13.9% |
| Real estate | 14.3% | | 6.5% | | 11.4% |
| Corporate | 13.4% | | 10.0% | | 12.1% |
| “Other” | 8.8% | | 13.7% | | 10.7% |
| Family | 6.7% | | 15.7% | | 10.1% |
| Administrative law | 6.1% | | 9.5% | | 7.4% |
| Bankruptcy | 1.4% | | 0.4% | | 1.0% |
| Employment | 5.3% | | 8.0% | | 6.3% |
| Intellectual property | 0.8% | | 0.9% | | 0.8% |
| Securities | 0.9% | | 1.2% | | 1.0% |
| Tax | 2.9% | | 2.0% | | 2.5% |
| Wills & estates | 6.4% | | 5.6% | | 6.1% |

| Years since Call | | | | |
|-------------------------|-------------|-------|-------------|-------|
| | 2006 | | 2013 | |
| 0-7 | 432 | 24.5% | 450 | 23.4% |
| 8-16 | 451 | 25.6% | 452 | 23.5% |
| 17-26 | 448 | 25.4% | 438 | 22.8% |
| 27+ | 432 | 24.5% | 582 | 30.3% |

Notes:

- (1) Geographic Distribution: “% of District” refers to the gender split within the district – in the case of HRM, 59.1% of the 1,336 practising lawyers are male. “% of Male Population” refers to the gender distribution among the districts – in the case of male practising lawyers, 65.8% of the 1,201 male practising lawyers work in the HRM. “% by District” refers to the total distribution of all practising lawyers by district.
- (2) Type of Practice Distribution: “% of Type” refers to the gender split within each of the identified types of practice. In the case of Partners, 77.0% of the 457 Partners are male. “% of Male Population” refers to the gender distribution among the practice types – in the case of males, 29.6% of the 1,191 practising male lawyers are Partners.

Some percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding. In the case of the “Diversity” percentages, a lawyer may fall into more than one group, therefore those percentages will not add to 100%.