



NOVA SCOTIA
BARRISTERS' SOCIETY

NOTICE OF REFERRAL TO HEARING

The Hearing Committee of the Nova Scotia Barristers' Society (the "Society") will hold a hearing, at a date and time to be determined, respecting charges against **Mark Taylor**, a member of the Society.

The Society charges Mark Taylor, of West LaHave, Nova Scotia with professional misconduct in that he breached provisions of the *Code of Professional Conduct* (the "Code"), and the *Legal Profession Act* (the "Act") and the Regulations made thereunder.

Specifically, it is alleged that from approximately April 1, 2019 through December 7, 2022 Mark Taylor:

1. breached his duty to provide competent, timely, diligent, conscientious and efficient service to his clients contrary to Sections 3.1 and 3.2 of the *Code of Professional Conduct*; and/or
2. breached his duty to avoid acting in a conflict of interest, contrary to Section 3.4 of the *Code of Professional Conduct*; and/or
3. breached his duty to properly care for his client's property contrary to Section 3.5 of the *Code of Professional Conduct*; and/or
4. breached his duty to carry on the practice of law and discharge all responsibilities to clients, tribunals, the public and other members of the profession honourably and with integrity, and to act in good faith with all persons with whom he had dealings contrary to Sections 2.1 and 7.2 of the *Code of Professional Conduct*; and/or
5. breached his duty to treat the tribunal with candour, fairness, courtesy, and respect contrary to Section 5.1 of the *Code of Professional Conduct*; and/or
6. failed to obtain proper identification for his clients contrary to Regulation 4.13 under the *Act*.

A further public Notice of Hearing will be published once the dates and times for the hearing are confirmed.

The hearing will be open to the public in accordance with Section 44(1) of the *Act*. Note that at any hearing, preliminary motions may be heard and/or a settlement agreement may be proposed.