



## **NSBS Council Meeting Highlights**

Nova Scotia Barristers' Society

Friday, March 21, 2025

### **Consent Agenda: The following items were approved by way of Consent Agenda:**

#### **- Minutes January 24, 2025**

##### **- Member Resignations:**

Hilary Patricia Angrove

Mr. Alistair Montero Chauhan

Mr. Andrew Carson Crosbie

##### **- Committee Resignations:**

Shanisha Grant - RESC

##### **- Committee Appointments – Credentials Committee:**

Devin Maxwell

Sylvia Paris Drummond

##### **- RESC Standards: Tidal Waters/LTCA**

##### **- Competency Profile Project – Introduction**

### **Business Arising:**

#### **LIANS March Report**

Lawrence Rubin, Director of LIANS, provided a bi-annual (July to December 2024) update to Council.

#### **FLSC Update**

Frank DeMont presented an update to Council on various matters including an update on the highlights of the Federation's winter meetings.

#### **Strategic Plan Update**

Cheryl Hodder provided an update on the Strategic Plan and development of a dashboard to track the progress of the Ruck recommendations.

## **Articling Survey Results**

The Education & Credentials and Equity & Access departments – working in collaboration with the Western Canada Law Societies – conducted two surveys in 2024 to better understand current issues associated with the articling experience and the training of new lawyers. The Final Report arising from these reflects key findings in relation to two themes: preparedness for practice, and experience of discrimination and harassment during articling and/or recruitment.

Jennifer Pink and Marla Brown presented recommendations to Council based on the survey results.

## **Finance Budget Discussion 2025/2026**

Kate Shewan, Director of Finance & Administration, introduced a high-level overview of the 2025-26 budget. Council discussed several items of the budget, expenses and fee models. Council will meet on April 25th to approve the budget.