

NEWSLETTER

TO: H&PELA LAW ASSOCIATION MEMBERS

FROM: JUDITH DALE

DATE: AUGUST 2026

**RE: ANNOUNCEMENTS, NEWS & UPCOMING
EVENTS**

1. REMINDER: 2026 CPD WEBINAR #7



FREE CPD!

FINTRAC, Fraud and Client Identification

The Hastings & Prince Edward County Law Association, in partnership with Lawyer Done Deal through the FOLA/LDD CLE Partnership Program, invites members to attend an upcoming Continuing Legal Education session on **FINTRAC, Fraud and Client Identification**.

With fraud risk, client identification, and compliance obligations continuing to be important areas of focus for legal professionals, this session will provide a timely opportunity to learn, ask questions, and connect with colleagues.

The program is accredited for **1 hour of CPD**.

Date: Wednesday, September 23, 2026
Time: 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.
Location: Lawyers' Lounge, Belleville Courthouse
Speaker: Maurizio Romanin

Lunch will be included

PLEASE RSVP to Judith Dale via email hcla@on.aibn.com **before Friday** September 18, **2026**

1 hour Professionalism

2. NEW ACQUISITIONS AT THE LAW LIBRARY

Books available for REFERENCE only – short-term loans

Ontario Bar Association- Department of CPD 2026

- *Municipal Planning & Environmental Law*
- *Annual Update on Workplace Safety & Insurance Law*
- *Secured Transaction Essentials for Business Lawyers*
- *Advanced Issues in Child Protection Law*
- *Family, Estates and Real Estate Law*
- *Employment Law Fundamentals*
- *Annual Update on Human Rights*

3. LIBRARY TEXT DISCARDS

Please note: due to the demand for the books, requests must be limited to **one item per individual**. Thank you.

The following books are being withdrawn from circulation. If you are interested in any of these titles, please phone or fax the library and the book(s) will be held for you.

If the text is of a size that can fit into the mailbox, you may pick it up at QCC from your mailbox on the first floor on request. If it is a larger text, it can be held in the law library for you to pick up at your convenience.

Bowles	<i>Conduct of Lien, Trust & Adjudication Proceedings</i>	2024
Coughlan	<i>Detention and Arrest</i>	2 nd edition
Engell	<i>Ontario Planning Legislation</i>	2024
Roach	<i>Criminal Law (8th edition)</i>	2022
Zuker	<i>Ontario Small Claims Court Practice</i>	2026

4. GENERAL LEGAL INFORMATION

JUDICIAL APPOINTMENTS



ADVERTISEMENT FOR JUDICIAL APPOINTMENTS

ONTARIO COURT OF JUSTICE

The Judicial Appointments Advisory Committee recommends to the Attorney General of Ontario candidates for the appointment of Judges to the Ontario Court of Justice. Recommendations for judicial appointments follow a pool-based process. The Committee invites applications for judicial appointments **across all base court locations in Ontario** on a continuous basis. Candidates who wish to be considered for a judicial appointment are encouraged to submit an application. The Committee will assess and classify all candidates who submit applications. Classifications expire after three years from the date a candidate submits an application. The Judiciary of the Ontario Court of Justice should reflect the diversity of the population it serves. Applications from persons belonging to diverse groups are encouraged, and **Bilingual candidates are strongly encouraged to apply**. Candidates who identify bilingual ability as indicated on the application form are required to undergo standardized French language testing to assess their proficiency.

The appointments to the base court locations also involve travel within the regional boundaries and elsewhere in the province of Ontario, as assigned by the Regional Senior Justice and/or the Chief Justice.

The minimum requirement to apply to be a Judge in the Ontario Court of Justice is **ten years completed** membership as a barrister and solicitor at the Bar of one of the Provinces or Territories of Canada.

PROCESS: Candidates are classified as “not recommended”, “recommended” or “highly recommended” across all court locations in which they are willing to sit. **The classification period lasts for three years**, beginning on the date the candidate applies.

Further information regarding the Committee process, as well as Frequently Asked Questions, can be found at <https://www.ontariocourts.ca/ocj/jaac>

All candidates must apply by submitting an electronic copy of the **current (December 2025)** completed Judicial Candidate Information Form. Any communications from the Committee will be sent by email.

Please ensure that a suitable email address is provided on your application.

If you wish to apply, please refer to the current application form and submission instructions <https://www.ontariocourts.ca/ocj/jaac/application>

LEXIS+ ACCESS & TRAINING

FREE access to Lexis+ Canada (the successor to Quicklaw), is available at your law library computer bank, and now includes AI-enabled tools.

Also included with *Lexis+ Canada*, is their *Practical Guidance* database, with updated precedents, checklists, practice notes, forms, resource kits and more.

You can go to the support and training site at <https://www.lexisnexis.com/supportandtraining/en-ca/lexis-plus-canada/>

On the training site you can view the various modules and a lengthy list of frequently asked question links.

FREE FOR THE CRIMINAL BAR



LiRN is thrilled to announce a province-wide subscription to rangefindr.ca! Used in law libraries, law firms, and courtrooms across Canada, it is now available — remotely and in your nearest courthouse library — to all lawyers in Ontario.

[Click here to login to rangefindr.ca](#)

How to use [rangefindr.ca](#) Click a few tags that describe the kinds of cases you're looking for and this database tells you what sentences were imposed in those cases. One additional click and you can review the judgments themselves which have saved years of lawyers' and judges' time.

[Short explainer](#) about how to use RangeFindr (2.14 min.)

[Getting Started With rangefindr.ca Guide \(pdf\)](#)

New! Canadian Sentencing database rangefindr.ca announces new feature: Guide to Pre-Sentence Custody Credit (July 2025)

Calculating credit for pre-sentence custody is a technical and rapidly-changing area of criminal law. The guide collects the leading cases, summarizes the rules, and flags the unsettled issues across multiple Canadian jurisdictions.

The guide also marks [rangefindr.ca](#)'s adoption of the Canadian Open Access Legal Citation Guide (COAL) as its house guide. We are proud to support open access and grateful to the members of the COAL-RJAL Editorial Group.

The guide and future updates will be available at

www.rangefindr.ca/eng/docs.

LSO UPDATE

New Guide to Managing Trust Accounts

The new *Guide to managing trust accounts* supports lawyers and paralegals in complying with trust account and recordkeeping requirements as set out in By-Law 9. Organized around the life-cycle of an account, this comprehensive resource provides helpful information on common trust account issues, from opening and operating an account, to reconciliation, reporting and closing.

[Read the guide](#).

WESTLAW!

Here is the schedule for 2026-Q3 – September update:

Course	Date	Time (ET)	Registration Link
Boolean Bootcamp – Building Better Searches	Mon Sep 14	1:30pm	Click to Register
Westlaw Canada Fundamentals	Thurs Sep 17	1:00pm	Click to Register
Practical Law Fundamentals	Tues Sep 22	1:00pm	Click to Register
Case Center Top Tips	Mon Sep 28	1:00pm	Click to Register
Streamlining Criminal Law Research on Westlaw Canada	Wed Sep 30	1:00pm	Click to Register

5. UPCOMING CONFERENCE – OSHAWA

Join the **DRLA Fall Conference 2026!**

The Durham Region Law Association (DRLA) hosts its **6th Annual Fall Conference** on **Thursday, October 29th and Friday, October 30th, 2026**. While the DRLA is headquartered at the Durham Region Courthouse in Oshawa, the 2026 conference will be held at the **Ajax Convention Centre** in Ajax, Ontario.

The two-day event provides Continuing Professional Development (CPD) hours and features expert-led sessions spanning various areas of Ontario law. Previous DRLA conferences have featured dedicated daily tracks covering **Civil Law, Family Law, Employment Law, Criminal Law, Real Estate, and Wills & Estates**.

For detailed updates on the 2026 agenda, registration fees, and to secure your spot, visit the [Durham Region Law Association](#) homepage or check out the [Durham Region Law Association Instagram](#) page.

6. Member Rewards!

A reminder to all association members that they have access to the rewards program here:

<https://www.fola.ca/resource/member-rewards>

Discounts are available for a number of services and products. The FOLA partnership member reward letter is available from your law library at

hcla@on.aibn.com

NOTE: Regarding Via Rail: unfortunately, the members' use of the VIA code did not hit the revenue benchmark with VIA, and FOLA no longer has a discount code. However, they were advised that if anyone is a CAA member then a discount is available.

FOLA will be keeping track of revenue from plenary sessions to see if they hit the benchmark this year.

H&PELA will not be posting on Musk's "X" and has joined "the great X-odus"

<https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/cqx9e0y17ww0>

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