



COURT OF APPEAL OF NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR

NOTICE TO THE PROFESSION

Compliance with Rules of Court – Filing of Materials

This Notice is to advise the profession that the Court of Appeal registry will be generally checking documents submitted by counsel for compliance with the Rules of Court and Practice Notes regarding the filing of materials. Failure to comply with the Rules and Practice Notes is resulting in inefficiencies and difficulties for the registry and members of the Court. Counsel are advised that deficiencies may result in a requirement to resubmit documents.

For civil proceedings, including family matters, the relevant requirements are found in Rules 52 through 55 of the *Court of Appeal Rules*, and Practice Notes 2018-10, 12 and 17. Examples of some common failures are listed in Practice Note 2018-12.

For criminal proceedings, Rules 13 through 16 of the *Criminal Appeal Rules* apply.

The above Rules provide clear guidance for the assistance of counsel and their legal assistants.

The manual provided at the Law Society seminar on Appellate Advocacy held on May 4, 2018 provides a quick and handy reference that may assist legal assistants as well as counsel in ensuring compliance with the Rules and Practice Notes.

Your cooperation in ensuring compliance with the Rules and Practice Notes when filing materials is greatly appreciated.

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