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The Law Society of Nunavut Executive Members are pleased to announce the 2021 Recipient of the Neil Sharkey Volunteer Award:



JOHN MACLEAN

John MacLean, a member of the Nunavut bar since 2010, is awarded the Neil Sharkey Volunteer Award for his long-standing dedication to the profession and its various related organizations. Learn more about John's journey to Nunavut here.

John served as a member of the Law Society Executive for two consecutive 2-year terms, including as President during his last year; John also sat on the Nunavut Branch Executive of the Canadian Bar Association for a number of years and has been the representative for the Nunavut Lawyers' Assistance Program taking over from past recipient, Margaret Hollis.

During these years, John demonstrated a great sense of leadership and tireless commitment to advance various initiatives undertaken by the Law Society, most recently in relation to the Nunavut Law Program. John took proactive steps to bring the membership together creating opportunities for

discussions to ensure the Law Society could support the students including how it could facilitate articles and mentorship for the students.

As we heard during today's AGM, John is passionate about mental health and the well-being of lawyers and other members of the legal community. He is focused on finding ways to provide more support for his fellow lawyers in Nunavut where resilience and compassion fatigue are part of one's legal career journey.

No doubt John has made a difference in the profession and to advance the mandate of the Law Society to regulate the profession in the public interest. The Law Society is thankful for his dedication and invaluable time commitment.

John MacLean continues to be a recognized leader in Nunavut and nationally. The Law Society is honored to have John as a Member of the Nunavut Bar.

A donation¹ of John's choice to a Nunavut-based community organization will be made by the Society on his behalf. Thank you for making a difference.

¹ A donation to the Kamatsiaqtut Help Line was made on John MacLean's behalf.