PRESIDENT'S REPORT

LAW SOCIETY OF NUNAVUT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2019-2020

Articling Roundtable and Recommendations

Excerpt – You can read the full report here.

At the 2019 Annual General Meeting I committed to launching a comprehensive review of the articling and admissions process. A report of this review is available with the meeting materials.

The Executive is now seeking member feedback on eight recommendations:

- 1. In every articling plan, each principal must confirm that the student-at-law will be paid a wage that is equal to or greater than the Nunavut minimum wage.
- 2. All articles must be completed with a Nunavut lawyer (resident or non-resident).
- **3.** Non-resident lawyers must confirm that the majority of the student's work will be on Nunavut matters.
- **4.** Students-at-law may complete up to 8 months of their 12-month articling term outside Nunavut.
- 5. There is no limit to the number of rotations a student may include in an articling plan.
- **6.** The LSN will encourage employers to conduct their hiring processes during a fixed time period (e.g, October/November 2020).
- **7.** The LSN will prepare a rule amendment abolishing the prohibition on outside employment without approval from the LSN Executive.
- **8.** The LSN will consult with the Nunavut Law Foundation about potential financial support for solo and small practice practitioners seeking to retain articling students.

Respectfully submitted,

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