

**Law Society of Nunavut TRC Committee
Terms of Reference**

1. The Law Society of Nunavut (the “LSN”) establishes the Truth and Reconciliation Commission (the “TRC”) Calls to action Standing Committee (the “TRC Standing Committee”)¹.

Mandate and Process

2. The Standing Committee is established with a mandate to make recommendations to the LSN on a response to the TRC Calls to Action (“Calls to Action”). In developing recommendations for consideration by the LSN, the Standing Committee will take into account the role of the LSN in responding to the Calls to Action and the value in complementing any activities the LSN may undertake. In particular, the Standing Committee will:
 - a. Facilitate the exchange of information to the LSN members about LSN initiatives related to the Calls to Action and the initiatives of other stakeholders
 - b. Develop recommendations on a response to Calls to Action 27 and 28 as its first priority given their urgency and relevance to the regulation of the legal profession;
 - c. Work with the (*Ethics and Unauthorized Practise Committee* or the *Professional Development Committee*) to determine how the LSN should require LSN members to receive cultural competency training and education on the history and legacy of residential school and colonization, the Land Claims Agreement of Nunavut, the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, Inuit law, Inuit languages, and Inuit-Crown relationships as recommended in Call to Action 28
 - d. Consider actions the LSN can take to support the establishment and incorporation of Inuit law and languages, including Inuit Elder participation and consultation;
 - e. Evaluate and consider actions the LSN can take to support Inuit lawyers and law students, and work towards having the LSN Bar reflect the population of Nunavut; and
 - f. Review other relevant Calls to Action to make such recommendations to the LSN in relation to them as the Standing Committee considers appropriate.

¹ The TRC Standing Committee Members were appointed by the LSN Executive pursuant to Ss. 32(3) of the Rules of the LSN on April 11 and May 18, 2017.

Standing Committee Structure

3. The Standing Committee should reflect a diversity of experiences and knowledge relevant to the issues under consideration, including knowledge of the history, cultures and rights of Inuit, Inuit law, Inuit languages, the Canadian justice system, legal education, and regulation of legal profession.
 - a. The Standing Committee shall create and fill the Inuit Elder Standing Role position
4. The Standing Committee will have two chairs appointed by the Standing Committee Members.

Outside Participation

5. To fulfill its mandate, the Standing Committee may seek the assistance of and engage with outside parties including representatives of Inuit organizations and communities, Inuit Elders, LSN members, other LSN Standing Committees (such as the Ethics and Unauthorized Practise Committee) and other justice-system stakeholder as it considers appropriate.

Resources

6. To ensure that the Standing Committee is able to carry out its mandate effectively, it should receive appropriate staff and financial resources.

Terms of Reference adopted at LSN TRC meeting on September 15, 2017.