

## LAW SOCIETY OF NUNAVUT

### **Volunteer Service Award to be named**

#### **Introduction**

The Volunteer Service Award was established by the Law Society to recognize a member who demonstrates outstanding dedication, innovation or results in his or her ongoing involvement with the Law Society.

On the occasion of the 10th Anniversary of the Law Society of Nunavut, in 2009, the Executive of the Law Society is pleased and proud to name the Volunteer Service Award "The Honourable Mr. Justice Neil Sharkey Volunteer Service Award", to honour Justice Neil Sharkey for his many years of volunteer commitment, which so exemplified those elements.

Until Mr. Justice Sharkey's appointment to the Bench in February 2009, he was, from the founding of the Law Society of Nunavut in April 1999, the Chair of the Discipline Committee, serving both the Law Society and its members and the interests of Nunavummiut. In 2007, he received the Volunteer Service Award for that long and demanding effort which service he continued for two more years.

#### **Eligibility and criteria for the award**

- demonstrably outstanding dedication, innovation or results in the member's ongoing involvement with the Law Society or service on behalf of the Law Society
- any Law Society member in good standing may be nominated
- no more than one award may be awarded per year
- no award need be granted in any one year

#### **Nomination procedure**

- the Executive will publish a request for nominations and a deadline for receiving same each year in advance of the Annual General Meeting of the Law Society
- **for 2009, the deadline for nominations is April 20**
- any Law Society member in good standing may make nominations
- nominations shall be accompanied by a brief outline of why the nominee should receive the Award, together with any supporting documentation and endorsements
- the nomination and all supporting information should be submitted by mail, fax or scan to:

Law Society of Nunavut  
P.O. Box 149  
Bldg. 812, Unit #4  
Iqaluit, NU X0A 0H0  
Tel: (867) 979-2330

Fax: (867) 979-2333

Email: [lawsociety@qiniq.com](mailto:lawsociety@qiniq.com)

### **Selection process**

The Executive will review the nominations, if any, and determine whether the award should be presented and to whom. The Executive may choose a candidate of its own volition and need not be bound by any nominations, or may do so if there are no nominations.

### **Presentation of the award**

The Award is to be presented at the Annual General Meeting of the Law Society.

### **Award winners**

- 2008 – no recipient
- 2007 – no recipient
- 2006 – Neil Sharkey, Q.C.
- 2005 – Susan Hardy