

STATUTE & REMEDIAL EXAM – MAC implemented the exam renewal process suggested at the 2004/05 AGM, but it did not work because of a lack of volunteers. Therefore, our only exam maintenance activity was to delete questions that became obsolete over the course of the year.

With progress in national "mobility" discussions the importance of the statute exam will be changed. It will only be needed for student applicants, and transfer applicants to the Law Society of Nunavut who have an adverse discipline history.

2006/07 MAC ACTIVITIES PROPOSED

- o Contribute to membership aspects implementing the **website motion**.
- o Monitor and respond if Nunavut becomes party to the "**permanent mobility**" provisions of the National Mobility agreement. The membership implications of this Agreement, include:
 - o Implement *Nunavut Module* and revised statute list as the required reading for permanent mobility applicants;
 - o Reduced use of exam and remedial, it will only apply to student applicants for membership, and transfer applicants with a discipline history in their home jurisdiction;
 - o Exam revision should focus on new legislation, and integration of the Nunavut Module when it becomes available;
- o Update and submit MAC's draft Admissions Policy;
- o Continue the review and make recommendations based on NWT Policy Directives (pre-1999) so that the Law Society of Nunavut has a complete complement of admissions and membership-oriented policies. ❖

2005-06 MAC Statistics

Resident Members	
Active Private	10
Active Public Service	33
Inactive	1
Students-At-Law	10
	TOTAL 54
Non-Resident Members	
Active Private	95
Active Public Service	21
Inactive	46
	TOTAL 162
2004-05 Applications	
Applications Processed	22
Entitled Applicants (Oath Pending)	2
Pending Applications	3

5-Year Review

	01/02	02/03	03/04	04/05	05/06
TOTAL MEMBERS	196	178	199	208	216
RESIDENT MEMBERS	31	38	45	48	54
Resident Active Private	-	6	9	8	10
Resident Active Public	-	32	35	38	33
Students-at-Law	0	0	0	1	10
Non-Resident	165	146	154	160	162
Applications Processed	7	10	22	13	22
Applications Pending	-	3	2	8	3
Restricted Appearance Certificate	-	-	-	-	70
Resigned	-	-	-	-	13
Suspended/Lapsed	-	-	-	-	0

2005/06 Members

The following volunteers participated on the MAC this year:

Faiyaz Alibhai
 Keith Bergner
 Thom Boyd
 Luc Cadieux
 Judy Chan
 Steven Cooper
 Susan Cooper
 Susan Hardy – Chair
 Colleen Harrington
 Sarah Kay
 Maria Lodge
 Kelly Gallagher-Mackay
 James Mahon
 Brad McIsaac
 Allan Maclure – Vice Chair
 Kelly Payne
 Merrilee Rasmussen
 Glen Tait
 Patrice Taylor
 Bonnie Tulloch



2006 BC PLTC IN IQALUIT

Nine students-at-law, all graduates of the Akitsiraq Law School Program, are currently attending the BC Professional Legal Training Course (PLTC) in Iqaluit. The course began January 3rd 2006, and will be completed April 13th 2006. This is the first time a law society in any of the three Territories has delivered a Bar Admission Courses and exams locally, rather than requiring students to travel to an urban centre elsewhere.

The PLTC aims to graduate competent entry-level professionals as assessed across three elements: knowledge, skills and attitudes.

PRACTICE ELEMENTS

Knowledge - The course covers legal procedure and transactions that are typical of those that students and newly called lawyers encounter. The problem-solving and other skills that students learn to apply to these procedures and transactions will be transferable to other areas.

Skills - Skills training at PLTC follows a pattern. Students are assigned readings about a given skill, review that skill in class and are provided with an example (for oral skills, the example may be live or on video). Students have a number of opportunities to practise the skill, watch other students practise and receive feedback from other students, the instructor and guest instructors. Students also learn about practice management and proper business practices.

Attitudes - Knowledge and skills must be put into use in the framework of ethical practice. PLTC has specific lesson plans on ethics. Ethical issues are also raised and addressed throughout the course - in areas in which they are most likely to arise in practice. In this way, students approach ethical matters in a practical and realistic context.

COMPETENCY ASSESSMENT

Legal Research - PLTC includes an out-of-class Legal Research Assignment, requiring approximately six hours of library research.

Skills Assessments - PLTC skills assessments and qualification examinations verify that a student has attained the necessary knowledge, skills and attitude for entry into the legal profession.

A student must complete four different assessments targeting Advocacy, Writing, Drafting and Interviewing skills.

Qualification Examinations - At the end of the course, a student must pass two three-hour Qualification Examinations, covering: Commercial, Company, Real Estate, Estates, Civil Litigation, Family, Creditor's Remedies, and Criminal Procedure.

THANK YOU

The principal faculty and staff participating from the Law Society of BC are Ian Guthrie (Iqaluit Faculty) and in BC: Alan Treleavan, Lynn Burns, Morag MacLean, and Diane M. Stuart.

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