



## NOTICE TO THE PROFESSION

### JANUARY 2017 RULE AMENDMENTS

In November 2016, Convocation approved amendments to the Law Society Tribunal Rules of Practice and Procedure for the Hearing and Appeal Divisions. Highlights include:

#### Notices of Application

There is now a separate notice for each type of application. As of January 1, 2017, originating processes, initiated by the Law Society, are to be served on the responding party and then filed electronically with the Tribunal.

#### Information Sheets

Personal contact information will no longer appear on the notices but will be contained in a separate information sheet served and filed with the notice.

#### Service

We have simplified Rule 10 of the Hearing Division Rules to allow for service by e-mail without consent and for providing proof of service by a “confirmation of service” form.

#### Orders

The Order forms are simpler and more streamlined.

#### Appeals

The rule regarding time to perfect an appeal has been clarified to specify 60 days from the notice of the Order under appeal or from receipt of the transcripts, whichever comes last.

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