

Speakers' Bureau



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THE CANADIAN BAR ASSOCIATION
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Public Legal Education and Information Service of New Brunswick (PLEIS-NB) and the Canadian Bar Association – NB Branch (CBA) are pleased to operate a “Speakers’ Bureau” of legal experts who are willing to talk to your group or organization **free of charge** on a variety of law-related topics. This collaboration helps to foster a dynamic and useful service. The CBA has extensive ties to legal experts throughout the province, while PLEIS-NB operates a law-information publication program with free access to over 150 bilingual publications on a wide range of legal topics.

What is the purpose of the Speakers’ Bureau?

The purpose of the Speaker’s Bureau is to provide interesting and knowledgeable speakers to community groups or organizations who wish to inform themselves, their clients, or the public generally, about a particular area of the law. We believe that helping to educate the public about the law makes the legal system more accessible which is fundamental to a fair justice system.

What possible topics are available?

We will try to arrange speakers to address your group on such subjects as:

Administrative Law	Municipal Law
Business Law	Buying and Selling a House
Constitutional Law	Court System
Consumer Law	Environmental Law
Civil Law	Family Violence and the Law
Criminal Law	Immigration Law
Employment Law	Landlord & Tenant
Family Law	Legal Aid
Health Law	Police Powers
Human Rights	Torts
Lawyers/Legal System	Wills and Estates
Mental Health Law	Youth Justice

Who can use the Speakers’ Bureau?

Any community group, service organization or special interest group, as well as the media, can ask us to help them find a speaker on the law. Groups may wish to invite a speaker to address a monthly meeting, an annual general meeting, a special event or a workshop.

How do I request a Speaker?

Contact PLEIS-NB by telephone, letter, fax or e-mail. You can also apply directly on the PLEIS-NB website. Please make your request at least **three weeks in advance** of your event or

meeting, so speakers have time to prepare and work around their busy schedules. PLEIS-NB will get in touch with the CBA who will find an appropriate speaker. Once the speaker has agreed, PLEIS-NB will get back to you to confirm the speaker. Feel free to check out the available publications on the PLEIS-NB web site (www.legal-info-legale.nb.ca). Depending on the topic you requested, we should be able to supply the speaker with copies to hand out to people at your event.

We require the following information:

Name of your group: _____

Contact Person: _____

Address: _____

Telephone Number: _____ Email: _____

Topic: _____

Location: _____

Date of Event: _____ Time: _____

Number Expected to attend: _____

Official Language of Presentation: _____

The Canadian Bar Association is a professional, organization which was formed in 1896, and incorporated by a Special Act of Parliament on April 15, 1921. The CBA is the essential ally and advocate of all members of the legal profession. Today, the Association represents some 37,000 lawyers, judges, notaries, law teachers, and law students from across Canada.

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