

**LAW SOCIETY OF SASKATCHEWAN APPLICATION
FOR ADMISSION AS STUDENT-AT-LAW**

**RULE 703
FORM A-1**

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(February 2009) (February 2011)
(November 2014) (April 2015)
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(January 2021) (April 2021) (February 2024)

First Name: _____ Middle name(s): _____ Last name: _____

Mail Address:

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Place of Birth: _____

I hereby apply for admission to the Society as a student-at-law and submit:

- a) proof of identity – Please provide a copy of certified government-issued photo identification such as a driver's license, passport or other documents acceptable to the Society, verifying the applicant's identity;
- b) Certificate of Standing from each law society or equivalent lawyer regulatory organization of which I am or have been a member. Please see question 4(d);
- c) transcripts of first and second years of study or original law degree from a common law faculty of law in a Canadian university; or a Certificate of Qualification from the National Committee on Accreditation;
- d) police record check - An electronic copy is acceptable, however, an original may be required on request; and
- e) application fee pursuant to the [Schedule of Law Society Fees and Assessments](#).

APPLICANT'S QUESTIONNAIRE

To the Applicant:

Law societies regulate the legal profession in the public interest. One of the most important decisions that law societies make is who they license to practise law. The public interest requires that all applicants prove they are suitable to practise. Law societies assess the suitability of applicants in many ways, but the following factors are particularly relevant and important:

- I. Respect for the rule of law and administration of justice
- II. Honesty
- III. Governability
- IV. Financial responsibility

The questions in the following questionnaire are one of the primary ways in which law societies obtain the information necessary to assess an applicant's suitability. The questions that follow are arranged under headings based on the factors set out above. In general, all positive answers to the questions set out in the sample questionnaire will be investigated. A positive answer does not necessarily mean that the applicant will be refused admission to the law society. Follow-up questions or further investigation may be pursued, and the applicant may, in certain circumstances, be entitled to a hearing into the issues raised by their answers.

In answering the questions, the applicant must disclose all material information relating to their application, including any matters that have occurred in Canada and elsewhere. Law societies regard failure to disclose material information as prima facie evidence of dishonest behaviour. If answering in the affirmative to any of the questions contained in the questionnaire, please provide full details on a separate sheet. All records or required information must be provided along with the application for admission or the application will be considered incomplete.

- 1) Has your name ever been changed? Yes ☐ No ☐

If so, from what to what? Why and When?

- 2) Are you a Canadian citizen? Yes ☐ No ☐

(if not, you must provide proof of entitlement to work in Canada)

- 3) (a) Have you completed two years toward the requirements for a degree from a common-law faculty of law in a Canadian University? Yes ☐ No ☐

(Provide name of University and original of transcript)

- (b) If (a) is answered in the negative, please provide a Certificate of Qualification issued by the National Committee on Accreditation.

- 4) (a) Have you applied for registration as a student-at-law or articling clerk in any other Canadian jurisdiction?

Yes ☐ No ☐

(If answered in the affirmative, provide full details on a separate sheet)

- (b) Have you ever been or are you currently a student-at-law in another Canadian jurisdiction?

Yes ☐ No ☐

(If answered in the affirmative, provide full details on a separate sheet)

- (c) Are you currently registered in the Law Society of Ontario National Articling Program?

Yes ☐ No ☐

- (d) Have you ever been or are you currently a member of another law society or equivalent lawyer regulatory organization?

Yes ☐ No ☐

(If answered in the affirmative, provide a Certificate of Standing)

- 5) Have you been refused admission as a student-at-law, articling clerk or lawyer in any other jurisdiction?

Yes ☐ No ☐

(If answered in the affirmative, provide full details on a separate sheet)

I. RESPECT FOR THE RULE OF LAW AND THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE

- 6) Have you, or has any business that you control, ever been found in contempt of an order of a court or an administrative tribunal?

Yes ☐ No ☐

- 7) Have you, or has any business that you control, ever violated an order of a court or an administrative tribunal?

Yes ☐ No ☐

- 8) Has a court ever made a finding that you are, or any business that you control is, a vexatious litigant or that you have, or it has, abused the process of the court?

Yes ☐ No ☐

- 9) Have you ever failed to respond to a warrant or subpoena?

Yes ☐ No ☐

- 10) Are you aware of any pending actions or has there ever been a conviction or finding of liability, against you, or any business that you control, involving a breach of trust, fraud, perjury, misrepresentation, deceit, forgery, dishonesty, or undue influence in any civil, criminal, or administrative proceeding?

Yes ☐ No ☐

- 11) Has a court or an administrative tribunal ever determined that evidence you have presented on your behalf or on behalf of any business you control was not credible?

Yes ☐ No ☐

- 12) Are there any outstanding warrants, judgments, court orders, or pending actions against you or any business that you control?

Yes ☐ No ☐

- 13) Have you, or any business that you control, ever been the subject of an order enjoining you from the unauthorized practice of law, or are there any outstanding allegations of unauthorized practice of law outstanding against you or any business that you control?

Yes ☐ No ☐

- 14) Have you ever been charged in Canada or anywhere else with a crime, offence, or delinquency under any statute, regulation, ordinance or law? *(Please report current charges, convictions or other dispositions, such as conditional discharges, absolute discharges or peace bonds).*
 Yes ☐ No ☐
- 15) Are you a member of an organization that advocates criminal violence or unlawful discrimination?
 Yes ☐ No ☐

II. HONESTY

- 16) Have you ever been refused admission to any post-secondary institution or similar institution for the stated reason of dishonesty or other misconduct?
 Yes ☐ No ☐
- 17) Have you ever been suspended, expelled or penalized for misconduct (including being warned, placed on probation, permitted or advised to withdraw in lieu of discipline) while attending a post-secondary institution?
 Yes ☐ No ☐
- 18) Are you currently the subject of any allegations of misconduct by a post-secondary institution?
 Yes ☐ No ☐
- 19) Have you ever been refused admission as a student-at-law, articled clerk, or similar position in any other professional body?
 Yes ☐ No ☐
- 20) While undertaking studies for the purpose of admission to a professional body (law or other), have you ever been suspended or expelled or penalized for misconduct (including being warned, placed on probation, permitted or advised to withdraw in lieu of discipline)?
 Yes ☐ No ☐
- 21) Have you ever been discharged, suspended, disciplined, or permitted to resign from employment in lieu of discipline due to allegations of misconduct?
 Yes ☐ No ☐

III. GOVERNABILITY

- 22) Have you ever been suspended, disqualified, censured or disciplined as a member of any profession or organization or as the holder of a public office?
 Yes ☐ No ☐
- 23) Have you ever been denied a licence or had a licence revoked for any business, trade or profession?
 Yes ☐ No ☐
- 24) Have you ever been or are you currently the subject of any charges, complaints, grievances (formal or informal), investigations, findings, proceedings, or concerns regarding your conduct as a member of any profession or organization or as the holder of a public office?
 Yes ☐ No ☐
- 25) Have you ever been cautioned, warned, or has your conduct been the subject of a regulatory advisory by a Canadian law society?
 Yes ☐ No ☐
- 26) Have you ever applied for and been refused a licence, or had a licence revoked from a regulatory body where proof of good moral character or fitness to practise was required?
 Yes ☐ No ☐

IV. FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

- 27) Are you now, or have you ever been a bankrupt, made a proposal under the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act*, or made any other formal declaration of insolvency?
 Yes ☐ No ☐

- 28) Has any corporation, partnership, or business entity over which you have or had control become bankrupt or made a proposal under the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act*, or made any other formal declaration of insolvency? Yes ☐ No ☐
- 29) Have you, in the last two years, been in default, or are you currently in default of any financial obligation, including any loan, debt or credit? Yes ☐ No ☐
- 30) Have you ever misused your position to obtain financial advantage, or misused your position of trust in relation to vulnerable people? Yes ☐ No ☐

If you answered in the affirmative to any of questions #6 – 30, provide details on a separate sheet.

V. ARTICLING INFORMATION

- 31) What is the name and the office address of your proposed principal:

- 32) Has your proposed principal been approved by the Law Society under Rule 704?

Yes ☐ No ☐ Do Not Know ☐

- 33) Anticipated start date of articles (if known): _____

VI. AUTHORIZATION UNDERTAKING AND DECLARATION

I, _____, hereby authorize the Law Society of Saskatchewan to make enquiries of any person or government, any official or body, including without any limitation any police authority, governing body, or academic institution with regard to my background, conduct or character and/or anything relevant to this Application for Admission as a Student-at-Law. I authorize all persons contacted pursuant to this authorization to provide all information requested.

I understand that my personal information may be exchanged between the Law Society of Saskatchewan and CPLED where the exchange of that information is made for the purpose of monitoring my performance, assisting in the operation of PREP or governing the articling process. I further understand that my principal may be advised of any concerns about my performance or conduct in PREP. I consent to such use and disclosure.

I further authorize the Law Society of Saskatchewan to disclose to any other law society or governing body in Canada any and all information about me, my application for admission and, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, any and all information which may relate to my character or conduct.

On request by the Law Society of Saskatchewan, I will furnish any additional specific authorization or any release that is required for the purpose of enabling the Society to obtain information related to my background or character.

I undertake that if admitted, I shall observe the Rules of the Law Society and the Code of Professional Conduct, meet and maintain the standards of professional conduct required of a student-at-law and discharge my obligations under the articling agreement with my principal.

I DO SOLEMNLY DECLARE that the statements contained in this Application are complete and true in every respect.

AND I make this solemn declaration conscientiously believing it to be true and knowing that it is of the same force and effect as if made under oath.

DATED this _____ day of _____, 20____.

(Signature of Applicant)

The applicant is advised that the Law Society of Saskatchewan reserves the right to make such further and additional enquiries as may be considered necessary.