

**NOTICE TO THE PROFESSION RE:
FILINGS IN THE NOVA SCOTIA COURT OF APPEAL**

Tuesday, Oct. 23, 2018

Members of the Nova Scotia Court of Appeal Liaison Committee have approved an updated list of Supreme Court of Canada cases that litigants and counsel can refer to without including them in their Book of Authorities. The updated list is available online at:

http://www.courts.ns.ca/Appeal_Court/documents/nsca_scc_cases_not_included_18_10.pdf

The Committee is also advising members of the Bar that references to case law contained in electronic filings with the Court of Appeal must now be identified via a hyperlink to the actual case. For example:

“... as the Court stated, in [Barry v Halifax \(Regional Municipality\)](#), 2018 NSCA 79 (CanLII), at paragraph 68: ...”

Neutral citations are still required, as per the directive of the Court of Appeal found here:

http://www.courts.ns.ca/Civil_Procedure_Rules/cpr_practice_memos/nsca_directive_neutral_citations.htm

While the Court does have the ability to access the private WestLaw and LexisNexis case reporting services, “...Where counsel choose to use parallel citations from reporter series or electronic databases, the Neutral Citation shall be the first used ...” [Court of Appeal Practice Directive: Use of Neutral Citation for Case Law (September 17, 2010)].

Thank you for your cooperation. Any questions regarding these changes should be directed to Timothy Morse, Registrar for the Court of Appeal, at 902-424-8962 or by email at Timothy.Morse@courts.ns.ca.