



## **FREE LEGAL CLINIC IN HALIFAX LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS**

Thursday, Nov. 30, 2017 (Halifax, NS) – Are you a lawyer or law student in the Halifax area looking to give back to the community and help improve access to justice? Consider volunteering your time at the Free Legal Clinic this winter.

The clinic relies on volunteer lawyers and law students to provide support and free legal advice to individuals representing themselves in court. Private one-hour sessions are available, by appointment, at the Law Courts at 1815 Upper Water St.

Only people with certain types of cases in the Nova Scotia Supreme Court or the Nova Scotia Court of Appeal are eligible for this free service. For more information on who is eligible, visit the [Courts of Nova Scotia website](#).

The Free Legal Clinic in Halifax is open most Thursdays from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. Volunteers are needed for the following dates in 2018:

- January 11, 18 & 25
- February 1, 8, 15 & 22
- March 1, 8, 15, 22 & 29
- April 5

An initiative of Nova Scotia's Access to Justice Coordinating Committee, the Free Legal Clinic began as a five-week pilot project and is now entering its fourth year of operation. The clinic has provided hundreds of hours of assistance to self-represented litigants, and prompted the courthouse in Sydney to open its own clinic.

These clinics provide a valuable service to litigants who may not otherwise have access to a lawyer, and are a rewarding experience for volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Meaghan Gillis in the Executive Office at 902-424-3690 or by email at [Meaghan.Gillis@courts.ns.ca](mailto:Meaghan.Gillis@courts.ns.ca).

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