Courts of Nova Scotia Copyright Policy

<u>Purpose</u>

The Courts of Nova Scotia website is a key communications instrument with which the Judiciary promotes the three parallel democratic principles of access to justice, transparency and accountability of the judicial process, and judicial independence.

The website does this by offering general education materials, practical information, documents and forms, important notices, and news. These are provided, primarily, to the public, the media, self-represented litigants, the legal profession, students, and teachers.

Website Objectives

- **Educating** media and the public on the open court principle, judicial independence, the Judiciary, and the Nova Scotia Courts.
- **Facilitating** access to the Courts, including court documents, decisions, and other information, as appropriate, and contact information for courthouses.
- Supporting and improving the proper administration of justice.
- **Highlighting** the work of the Courts and the Judiciary to improve access to justice for all citizens.
- **Communicating** with the Bar, self-represented litigants, and other justice organizations on important notices and changes to court procedures.
- Managing the official rules and related forms for all levels of Courts.
- **Connecting** self-represented litigants to resources and support to help them solve their legal problem.

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