

# Law Society of Yukon

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## Information – Change of Status Non-Practicing to Practicing Membership

### ***Rules re Non-Practicing Membership***

Rule 151.2 outlines the steps that a non-practicing member or a person on the retired members' roll, who is engaged in the practice of law in another province or territory of Canada must take in order to apply for a change of status.

Rule 151.3 outlines the steps that a non-practicing member, who is not engaged in the practice of law in another province or territory of Canada, must take to be reinstated as a practicing member. If you apply to be released from your non-practicing undertaking, and you have not been engaged in the full-time act of practice of law for three years, the Executive may impose conditions [Rule 151.3(3)].

The following sets out the steps necessary for you to restore your status from that of a non-practicing member to that of a practicing member entitled to practice law in the Yukon Territory.

- You must make application to change your status by submitting an Application and Undertaking for Change of Status – Non-Practicing to Practicing (Form 27A).
- You may be required to provide a current Certificate of Standing from every other Canadian Law Society of which you are or have ever been a member depending upon whether you are currently practicing in another jurisdiction (see Rules 151.2 and 151.3). The Certificate of Standing must be dated within 60 days of the date of your application.
- You must provide annual membership fees totaling \$1,100. If you have already paid \$300 for non-practicing status and are applying to change your status part way through the year, then you must pay \$800 plus GST (the fee differential between practicing and non-practicing membership). You may also be required to pay the \$100 Special Fund levy.
- You will be required to enroll in our Society's group liability insurance program unless you are eligible for an exemption under Section 54 of the *Legal Profession Act* and Rules 171 through 176 inclusive or have coverage in another jurisdiction.

Please be aware that your reinstatement will be effective the date your application is approved by the Executive of the Law Society.