Our team is always looking for ways to enhance your Lexis Practice Advisor Canada experience. We want to encourage you to continue sharing your feedback and suggestions, to help us meet your needs. And if you have any feedback or requests for future newsletters, drop us a line!

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FEATURED CONTENT LAWYER: SECURITIES AND M&A

We are excited to have Rebecca Vasluianu join our Lexis Practice Advisor Canada team, as our Securities and Mergers & Acquisitions Content Lawyer. Rebecca joined LexisNexis Canada in January after spending a number of years in practice at Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP (Toronto) where she was a corporate lawyer specializing in M&A and securities transactions.

Fun Fact: Rebecca is a lover of horror and sci fi movies. Some of her favourites include 28 Days Later, Coherence, It Comes at Night and Sunshine.

MEET OUR NEWEST CONTRIBUTORS

We are pleased to welcome the following new contributors by module:

- Employment - Ross Gascho of Fasken Martineau DuMoulin LLP
- Litigation & Dispute Resolution - Jacob Damstra of Lerners LLP
- Family Law (Ontario) - Victoria Smith of Victoria Smith Collaborative PC

LAUNCHING CLAUSE BANKS

Clause Banks are now available in our Employment, Family Law (Ontario), Wills, Trusts & Estates (Ontario) and Wills, Trusts & Estates (British Columbia) modules, under the Clause Bank topic.

Clause Banks allow you to quickly and easily find the clause you are looking to add to your agreements, wills or litigation documents. Located in the Clause Bank topic, the clauses have been organized in intuitive subtopics to allow for quick navigation!

CHECK OUT A NEW SMART CHART
A new Smart Chart on **Planning and Municipal Zoning** was added to Commercial module, under the Key Resources Tab. This Smart Chart provides an overview of planning and zoning legislation across all common law provincial jurisdictions in a convenient chart format, with links to Halsbury’s Laws of Canada commentary.

**REVIEW FEATURED CONTENT**

**Corporate:**

- An **Annotated Share Purchase Agreement** has been added, which includes detailed annotations and commentary on the key provisions of this precedent.
- New Precedents and Clauses have been added to expand the Private M&A content on **Share Purchase** and **Asset Purchase** deals.

**Employment:**

- A new subtopic on **Employer-Sponsored Pension Plans** was published.

**Family Law:**

- A new topic on Bankruptcy and Family Law was added covering **Background, Process and Procedure**, **Stay of Proceedings**, **Intersection of Bankruptcy and Family Law**, **Bankruptcy and Support Claim**, and **Bankruptcy and Property Claims**.
- New precedents have been added to the **Pleadings** and **Motions** subtopics.

**Finance, Securities and Mergers & Acquisitions:**

- A new Reverse Takeovers topic, has been added to these modules and covering **Initial Considerations**, **Material Agreement**, **Due Diligence**, **Stock Exchange**, **Disclosure Document**, **Securities Laws**, **Concurrent Private Placement**, **Closing the RTO**, **Post-Closing the RTO**.
- Practice Notes analyzing market trends from deals, found in Transactions Search powered by Intelligize®, have been added to a new subtopic entitled **Market Trends**.

**In-House Counsel**

- With nearly 200 new documents, The Director’s Manual provides an overview of the duties, responsibilities, and liabilities facing a Director. The topic includes useful precedents, helpful checklists and practical tips on the role of a Director. Subtopics include: **The Director’s Briefing**, **Formal Provisions Checklists**, and **Remuneration by Directors**.

**Wills, Trusts & Estates:**

- See the updated **Will Variation Claims** subtopic which addresses recent updates to these claims in B.C.
- See the updated **Estate Planning and Tax Considerations** subtopic which reflects the 2017 budget changes impacting estate taxation.

**THE GOVERNMENT BUREAU**

We are excited to announce the launch of The Government Bureau which bundles the In-House Counsel, Commercial, Employment, and Litigation & Dispute Resolution modules of Lexis Practice Advisor Canada, together with The Lawyer’s Daily into a single package aimed at meeting the needs of municipal government lawyers. Content such as Municipal Law and Land Use Development makes The Government Bureau unique in the local marketplace for lawyers looking for practical guidance, insights, and updates on municipal government by-laws and regulations.

A brochure highlighting The Government Bureau can be found [here](#).

**THE SECURITIES SUITE**

We are happy to announce the launch of the Securities Suite which is a bundled suite of products geared towards meeting the day-to-day needs of securities professionals. The Securities Suite bundles our leading collection of content and tools pertaining to Securities and M&A. The Securities Suite gives professionals access to corporate filings, transaction documents, practical guidance and legal research resources that work together to cover the full spectrum of needs for securities-related work.
A brochure explaining the many features and added benefits of the newly launched Securities Suite can be found here.

**EARN CPD CREDITS BY LISTENING TO OUR NEW PODCAST SERIES!**

[Canadian Tax Insights Podcast (Part 1)](#)  [Canadian Tax Insights Podcast (Part 2)](#)

Lexis Practice Advisor Canada and Counter Tax collaborate to bring you relevant and current legal tax information. In this pilot 2-part podcast series, our experts take a closer look at the CRA's Voluntary Disclosures Program (VDP) and the changes to the Program. Lawyers can also earn their CPD credits by listening to this podcast. Access the podcasts from the Multimedia section of the homepage for the Business Law modules ([Ontario](#), [British Columbia](#) and [Alberta](#)).

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