



FREE LEGAL CLINIC IN HALIFAX LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS

Friday, Aug. 24, 2018 (Halifax, NS) – The summer is winding down, which means the Free Legal Clinic at the Law Courts in Halifax is looking for a new crop of volunteer lawyers and law students to help with the upcoming fall/winter session.

The clinic provides support and free legal advice to individuals representing themselves on civil matters and most family law appeals in the Supreme Court and the Court of Appeal. Private one-hour sessions are available, by appointment, at the Law Courts, 1815 Upper Water St.

The Halifax clinic is open most Thursdays from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. Volunteers are needed for the following dates in the fall and winter of 2018:

- Sept. 20 & 27
- Oct. 4, 11, 18 & 25
- Nov. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29
- Dec. 6

This initiative provides a valuable service to litigants who may not otherwise have access to a lawyer, and is a rewarding experience for volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Meaghan Gillis in the Executive Office of the Nova Scotia Judiciary at 902-424-3690 or by email at Meaghan.Gillis@courts.ns.ca.

The Halifax clinic opened in 2015 to fill a gap in services for people needing assistance with their civil law matters and family law appeals, excluding child protection. Legal Aid provides duty counsel services at most courthouses to help self-represented individuals with criminal and family law matters, but there was nothing available for other types of cases.

Additional clinics opened in Sydney in March 2017 and Yarmouth in July 2018, and the Courts are working to open more clinics over the next year. For more information, visit the [Courts of Nova Scotia website](#).

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