



Everyone  
Legal Clinic



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# Developing BC's New Generation of Community Lawyers

## Sponsorship & Support Opportunities

### Welcome to the Everyone Legal Clinic

Access Pro Bono's Everyone Legal Clinic is a BC-wide and first-of-its-kind public interest law incubator that launched in May 2022 as part of the Law Society of BC's Innovation Sandbox.

The Clinic is BC's first alternative pathway to traditional articling. With a pioneering curriculum centered on the practical aspects of running a socially responsible law firm, the Clinic trains and supports 25 articling clinicians each year to be ready for private practice on their first day of call. It offers a full range of free and affordable legal services to everyone in BC—wherever they're located.

Unlike any other law incubator or articling program in the world, the Clinic trains a virtual network of articling clinicians to serve the unmet legal needs of their cultural and geographic communities. Diverse cohorts of clinicians receive the support and infrastructure needed to get their law practices up and running for the sustainable future.

The Clinic introduces major structural improvements to BC's lawyer development systems. It:

1. Increases access to affordable and high quality legal services in all BC communities;
2. Increases professional capacity for public interest legal service throughout BC;
3. Provides new generations of BC lawyers with the substantive knowledge and practical skills required to thrive in highly adaptive forms of public-minded legal practice;
4. Improves equity, diversity, working conditions and the quality of education in BC's lawyer development systems, and reduces unmet need for articling positions; and
5. Promotes new virtual, fixed-fee and modular forms of legal practice.

The Clinic admits law grads on the preferential basis of:

1. Desire to practice in an underserved BC community;
2. Previous clinical experience serving vulnerable people; and
3. Diversity, inclusion and accessibility factors to compensate in part for the inequities of BC's articling system (with a special focus on supporting BIPOC law grads).

# The Everyone Legal Clinic Articling Experience

The Clinic offers a truly unique articling experience. It provides its articling clinicians with the business, technology, wellness and human relationship skills required to adapt and thrive in shifting legal marketplaces.

The Clinic articling year is split into two six-month semesters: a learning semester and a service semester. During the learning semester, clinicians first attend the Law Society of BC's bar course. They then set up a home office in their BC community of choice. There, they attend remote training seminars, and serve pro bono clients and some fee-paying clients under the remote supervision of fifteen staff lawyers.

Clinicians receive practical and substantive training in a wide range of areas involving "everyday legal problems", including family, employment, tenancy, criminal, corporate, consumer, wills and estates, contracts, human rights, mental health, strata, and traffic law. They also receive expert instruction in legal technology, business development, firm accounting, marketing, and practice management approaches that are trauma-informed, culturally aware and trans-inclusive.

During the service semester, clinicians launch their fee-charging practices under the remote supervision of the Clinic's staff lawyers, and the local or regional support of lawyer mentors. They provide fixed-fee and modular (or "unbundled") legal services to individuals referred by Access Pro Bono, Legal Aid BC and other legal service organizations. Upon call, they bring their work product and Clinic-sourced clients along to private practice, where the Clinic continues to support them with client referrals and online resources.

## Sponsorship Opportunities

Demonstrate your firm's commitment to increasing the diversity, equity and accessibility of BC's articling system by sponsoring the Everyone Legal Clinic in its second year of operations.

### Major Sponsorship - \$20,000

limited to 10 Major Sponsors

- Firm/company logo on home and sponsor pages of everyonelegal.ca
- Firm/company logo on Everyone Legal Clinic promotional and marketing materials
- Repeated acknowledgement on all Everyone Legal Clinic social media channels
- 40 hours of complimentary lawyer and student attendance at Everyone Legal Clinic's practical skills curriculum (CPD credit available)
- Tax receipt for \$10,000 portion as charitable donation
- Right of first refusal for 2024 sponsorship

### Gold Sponsorship - \$10,000

- Firm/company logo on sponsor page of everyonelegal.ca
- Firm/company logo on Everyone Legal Clinic promotional and marketing materials
- Regular acknowledgement on all Everyone Legal Clinic social media channels
- 20 hours of complimentary lawyer and student attendance at Everyone Legal Clinic's practical skills curriculum (CPD credit available)
- Tax receipt for \$5,000 portion as charitable donation

### Silver Sponsorship - \$5,000

- Firm/company logo on sponsor page of everyonelegal.ca
- Firm/company logo on Everyone Legal Clinic promotional and marketing materials
- Regular acknowledgement on all Everyone Legal Clinic social media channels
- 10 hours of complimentary lawyer and student attendance at Everyone Legal Clinic's practical skills curriculum (CPD credit available)
- Tax receipt for \$2,500 portion as charitable donation

# Support Opportunities

Support one or more pioneering articling clinicians as they engage in the Everyone Legal Clinic's learning semester, and improve access to justice in their home community.

## Branded Scholarships - \$10,000 and up (30 scholarships available)

- Branded scholarships for one or more Everyone Legal Clinic articling clinicians
- customizable by BC region, articling student profile, and other chosen criteria
- Firm/company logo on supporter page of everyonelegal.ca
- Tax receipt for full amount as charitable donation
- Renewable for 2024 and beyond

## Lance S.G. Finch Legacy Scholarships and Bursaries - \$2,000 and up

- Scholarships for Indigenous and Métis law graduates articling with the Everyone Legal Clinic
- Bursaries for Everyone Legal Clinic articling clinicians with financial need
- Firm/company/individual name on supporter page of everyonelegal.ca
- Tax receipt for full amount as charitable donation
- Renewable for 2024 and beyond

To discuss, customize and/or reserve a sponsorship or scholarship, please contact Jamie Maclaren KC (he/him), Access Pro Bono Executive Director, at:

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