

Action Plan: Law Society of Manitoba (LSM)

In response to the Fairness Commissioner’s recommendation, LSM proposed the following Action.

Progress Opportunities	Action Plan	Completion Date
<p>Continuing work with the OMFC to improve data collection will help provide a strong, fact-based understanding of timelines and outcomes for IEL applicants in Manitoba. This includes the need to explore data collection from NCA to ensure we have a good understanding of IEL’s from Manitoba who engage the national process.</p> <p>Working to ensure IELs have fair access to articling spots in Manitoba will be important to maintain IEL licensure opportunities.</p>	<p>The Law Society of Manitoba will seek to obtain contact and other registration information from the National Committee on Accreditation (NCA) for those internationally educated individuals currently pursuing accreditation and who reside in Manitoba.</p> <p>The Law Society will attempt to make contact with those individuals and provide them with information about registering as a law student with the Law Society. Law students registered with the Law Society may practise law under the supervision of a practising lawyer.</p> <p>The Law Society of Manitoba will contact some Manitoba lawyers who went through the NCA accreditation process to explore the possibility of establishing a support/networking group for internationally educated individuals.</p> <p>The aim is to assist internationally educated individuals in establishing contact with the legal community in Manitoba and in gaining practising experience with the goal of increasing articling opportunities for those internationally educated individuals.</p>	<p>The action plan will be commenced within the first six months of 2018.</p>