FOLA FAMILY LAW REPORT

November 2019 Plenary
Sam Misheal, FOLA Family Law Chair
In late May 2019, FOLA made submissions to the Law Society’s Access to Justice Committee by our chair Mike Winward and Justice Valerie Brown, (Former FOLA’s Family Law Chair). Some of the key points that have been made are as follow:

- Access to Justice and the initiative of developing Family Law Service Provider (FLSP).
- FOLA’s view that the creation of a new licence will not support the objective of providing accessible, fair and effective justice system.
- Access to Justice and the assumption of reduced costs.
- The Family Law Limited Scope Services Project (FLLSSP).
- Exploring the possibility of having law students’ participation under the supervision of family law practitioners.
In the summer of 2019, FOLA worked with Lindsey Park, MPP and Parliamentary Assistant to the Attorney General, to help arrange sessions in relation to the review of Family and Civil Legislation, Regulations, and Processes across the province, and made submissions on the following points.

- Appeals.
- Children’s Law Reform Act.
- Family Law Act Modernization.
- Voice of the Child Reports.
- Financial Disclosure.
- Forms.
- Use of Technology.
- Early Triage and Alternative Dispute Resolution.
- Unnecessary Court Procedures/Steps.