



THE ADVOCATES' SOCIETY

Become A Member

Bridge to Practice Membership Application

Who Are We?

- We are the authoritative voice of advocates within the justice system.
- We attract members who are or aspire to be part of a community of best advocates.
- We are committed to being an organization that is diverse and inclusive.
- We are an organization that is committed to providing members of all levels of experience with opportunities for mentoring, networking and collegiality, including special opportunities for young advocates.
- We provide a dynamic platform for the discussion and exchange of ideas among members across regional boundaries.
- We focus on performance-based skills training and signature advocacy-education programs.
- We are committed to giving back to the community, including through pro bono services.
- We are committed to open, transparent, accountable and financially prudent governance of the Society which supports the achievement of our vision.

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I have been a part of many legal education programs in Canada and the US, and I can safely say that The Advocates' Society's (TAS) work is the gold standard in terms of organization and content. Frankly, TAS's programming is on par with the quality and commitment of Oxford, where mooted and mock trials are regular and cherished components of the Faculty of Law.

- The Hon. Clayton J. Conlan, Superior Court of Justice

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Why Join The Advocates' Society?

Learn. Teach. Connect. Give Back.

Be one of over 6,000 advocates across Canada who enjoy unsurpassed skills-based education, access to an experienced mentor network, inclusion in an active peer community and the opportunity to knowledge-share with others. No matter what stage you are at in your career, if your passion and practice is litigation, a TAS membership offers the tools and community you need to build your best career.

Master the Art & Craft of Advocacy (and Save!)

The Advocates' Society is the premier provider of advocacy skills training in Canada with an innovative curriculum that features our signature "Learning by Doing" programs led by our trained faculty. Members always enjoy savings on TAS CLE.

Be Part of Our Strong Voice for Advocates

Your membership supports our important work in shaping the future of the profession. As the voice of advocates and the clients we serve, we are committed to a wide range of emerging issues, including access to justice, judicial appointments, judicial independence, and civility and professionalism – and we work hard to make an impact.

Help Shape the Next Generation of Great Advocates

Nothing is more rewarding than sharing your skills and experience with your peers, and we offer members opportunities to do just that. Help plan Practice Group events, mentor younger advocates, teach a workshop, lead a seminar or contribute to our publications. Your efforts will help better the profession and build your profile with your peers.

Get Collegial, Expand Your Network & Build Your Practice – Locally & Nationally

Our social events and Practice Group programs offer members the opportunity to connect with the bench and bar in informal settings. From casual pub nights to destination conferences, our events will get you connected with our growing community of like-minded advocates.

Enjoy Exclusive Access to TAS Publications

Members receive a complimentary subscription to *The Advocates' Journal* (a \$199 value). This highly regarded quarterly publication features updates and articles from leading legal professionals, and is a must-have for your law library.

Signature Events and Programs

Members can enjoy savings and exclusive opportunities to learn and connect with the bench and bar at our signature events and programs. From casual pub nights to gala dinners, or intimate advocacy skills workshops to major symposia, all of our events and programs are created to strengthen our community of like-minded advocates.

Members can connect with their colleagues at signature events like these:



End of Term Dinner™

Every spring over 1,300 members of The Advocates' Society come together for Canada's largest gathering of advocates. Our annual black-tie celebration is exclusively for members and features tributes to exceptional advocates and outstanding collegiality. In 2020 the celebration continued online and nearly 1,000 members gathered virtually to celebrate the term.



Signature CLE

TAS members always enjoy reduced pricing on our major symposia, including Tricks of the Trade (for the personal injury bar), Spring Symposium (for the civil litigation bar), Fall Forum (for young advocates) and Women in Litigation. We have successfully pivoted our core content to interactive, virtual platforms to keep our members' skills sharp.



Practice Groups

Members can connect with the bench and bar in their practice area through our 15 Practice Groups. From teleseminars to collegial gatherings and panel discussions, our Practice Groups offer Society members the chance to participate in practice-specific forums alongside their peers.



Young Advocates and 10+

Our Young Advocates' and 10+ Standing Committees run a variety of collegial events for advocates in their early to mid-years of practice, keeping our members connected with their peers.

**Be Outstanding. Be Connected.
Be an Advocates' Society Member.**

To learn more visit www.advocates.ca

Membership Application- Bridge to Practice

****JUNIOR MEMBERS** To qualify for junior membership, an individual must be a lawyer in good standing of a Law Society in a Province or Territory of Canada who has been called to the Bar for less than five years and who expresses the intention of practicing advocacy as his or her principal occupation. The categories of Junior membership are:

Toronto: (\$355 + HST = \$408.25)

Toronto - First Year Call - 50% Off: (\$177.50 + HST = \$200.58)

Ontario (Outside Toronto): (\$315 + HST = \$395.95)

Ontario (Outside Toronto) - First Year Call - 50% Off: (\$157.50 + HST = \$177.98)

Government: (\$155 + HST = \$175.15)

Government - First Year Call - 50% Off: (\$77.50 + HST = \$87.58)

Legal Aid: (\$155 + HST = \$175.15)

Legal Aid - First Year Call - 50% Off: (\$77.50 + HST = \$87.58)

Not-For -Profit: (\$215 + HST = \$242.95)

Not-For-Profit - First Year Call - 50% Off: (\$107.50 + HST = \$121.48)

Student: (Free): a student at an accredited law school in Canada or be enrolled in the lawyer licensing process of a Province or Territory of Canada.

****Junior and Affiliate Members** shall not be entitled to receive notice of, attend or vote at meetings of the members of the Corporation.

As an advocate my practice area(s) include (please note all applicable areas of practice so we can assign you to relevant Practice Groups:

