



Franklin O. Leger, QC, TEP

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The lawyers and staff at Cox & Palmer are deeply saddened by the passing of their colleague, mentor, and friend, Frank Leger.

Frank was a legal scholar and New Brunswick's pre-eminent lawyer in the areas of real property law and trusts and estates law. An active member of the legal profession through his volunteer roles with the Saint John Law Society, the New Brunswick Law Society and the Canadian Bar Association, Frank was also an active community volunteer, with numerous leadership roles with St. Joseph's Hospital and St. Joseph's Hospital Foundation, the Canadian Red Cross Society, St. Thomas University, the Diocese of Saint John and numerous other organizations.

Frank was the recipient of many awards including, the Ilsa Greenblatt-Shore distinguished graduate award from UNB in 1999, the Community Service Award from the Greater Saint John Community Foundation in 2011, the Diamond Jubilee Medal from the Government of Canada in 2012 and St. Thomas University awarded him an Honorary Doctor of Laws Degree in 1985.

In 2015, the New Brunswick Law Society established the Franklin O. Leger, Q.C. Award named in honour of one who "has provided exceptional service to the Society, to the legal profession and to the public during his many years of service" and

given in recognition of outstanding meritorious service, dedication or contribution in accordance with the highest ideals of the legal profession. It is the most prestigious award conferred by the New Brunswick Law Society.

A mentor to generations of lawyers, Frank was held in the highest regard by his colleagues at the firm, and known for his generosity and kindness. Frank's love for the law was superseded only by that for his family.

Frank leaves a legacy of passion for the law, and a devotion to family and community, which we will strive to carry on. He will be missed.

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