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# It's Lawful News

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## **The Scoop**

In an effort to keep you informed, we thought we would try to reach our Members in a little e-newsletter format. This is the first edition of--hopefully--a monthly email to keep you up to date on a few things that are happening in the library, things we think are interesting and to ask for feedback on certain issues. This month it is a LiRN survey and a request for Library Committee Members.

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## The Ask

The Library is funded by your LSO fees. It is, in our opinion, great bang for your \$207 bucks. Grants are distributed by [LiRN](#) who are looking for some feedback as to how to ensure that they are fulfilling the library user's needs. They are also gathering info about courthouse libraries in Ontario to give lawyers the best research experience possible across the province. Please fill out this [3 minute survey](#) . Pretty please. It helps us to help you.

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## Another Ask

The YLRA has a Library Committee, chaired by Betty our Library Manager. To ensure that she does not think that she rules the entire world, we need to have a few more members on this committee. The [Terms of Reference](#) can be found here and we encourage those that have an interest in being on the **best committee ever** to shoot an email to [bdykstra@yorklaw.ca](mailto:bdykstra@yorklaw.ca) for consideration. She promises that if there is an in person meeting, she will bring treats.

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## Hey, Ask Us!

### ***Need help with a research question? [Reference Request Form](#)***

We also have [eLiRN resources](#) in the library to assist you, including [Westlaw](#) (Criminal, Family & Estates Source), LexisNexis ([Quicklaw](#) & [Practical Guidance](#)) & [vlex](#) for searches of Canadian (& some International) cases, legislation, forms and more.

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## Case Quotes

We read a lot of caselaw in the library. Every once in a while we come across some words of wisdom that are notable.

**Modabber v. Kermanshahani**, [2024 ONSC 186 \(CanLII\)](#) – Justice Kaufman

*[16] Lawyers should appreciate that it takes years to earn a solid reputation but mere moments to destroy it. That also refers to the reputation amongst the local Bar as well as the Bench.*

**Ricketts v Ricketts**, [2024 ONSC 206 \(CanLII\)](#) – Justice Pazaratz

*1 (The court expresses gratitude to Mr. Hunter for his professionalism in*

7. (The court expresses gratitude to Mr. Hunter for his professionalism in attempting to assist the father despite compelling personal family issues. But at the end of the day Mr. Hunter bowed out. **The work we do is important. But not more important than our own families.**)

**R. v. Reyes**, [2024 ONCJ 27 \(CanLII\)](#) – Justice Kenkel

[6] This is not a criticism of any of the new case management procedures. Continuous innovation is essential. But cases such as this one point out that any process has its limits, and there are some things that simply can't be controlled through case management. Everyone including counsel have a role to play in ensuring the efficient use of trial time.

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### What's New???

The library is now equipped with 8 new workstations for your library use. The screens are a bit larger for our aging bar and gamers, and a little faster for those research needs. The refresh is the result of a successful business case through LiRN.

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## Upcoming LSO Webcasts

The Library provides reduced fees for LSO Webcasts if we receive registration numbers of 11 participants. We pass those savings on to our members. These are the upcoming programs:

[The Eight-Minute Commercial Leasing Lawyer 2024](#)

[The Employment Standards Act - A Primer 2024](#)

[The Annotated Alter Ego Trust and Discretionary Trust 2024](#)

[The Annotated Guardianship Application 2024](#)

[18th Family Law Summit](#)

[Wills and Estates Refresher 2024](#)

[Family Law Refresher 2024](#)

[21st Real Estate Law Summit](#)

[The Six-Minute Estates Lawyer 2024](#)

[The Six-Minute Criminal Lawyer 2024](#)

[Criminal Law Refresher 2024](#)

[Family Violence Round Table 2024](#)

[A Step-By-Step Guide to Writing a Factum 2024](#)

[18th Solo and Small Firm Conference](#)

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## Recent Newmarket Decisions Found on CanLII

### Criminal

**R. v. Arseneault**, [2024 ONCJ 56](#)– Justice Kenkel

*Criminal law — Firearms — Forfeiture*

**R. v. Simpson**, [2024 ONCJ 52](#) - Justice of the Peace Joel Kulmatycki

*Criminal law — Charter of Rights — Section 11(b)*

**R v Reyes**, [2024 ONCJ 27](#) - Justice Kenkel

**R. v. Royce**, [2024 ONCJ 27](#) - Justice Rotondi  
*Criminal law — Trials — Witnesses — Compelling attendance*

**R. v. Biggar**, [2024 ONCJ 22](#) - Justice of the Peace T. Rotondi  
*Criminal law — Motor vehicle offences — Careless driving causing death*

**R. v. Coates**, [2023 ONCA 856](#) - Huscroft, Paciocco and Coroza JJ.A.  
*Charter of Rights — Trial within reasonable time — S. 11(b) right to be tried*  
On appeal from the stay entered by Justice Laura A. Bird of the Superior Court of Justice on August 9, 2022, allowing an appeal from the conviction entered on May 17, 2021, by Justice Peter Tetley of the Ontario Court of Justice.

## Family

**Modabber v. Kermanshahani**, [2024 ONSC 186](#) -Justice Kaufman  
*Family law — Practice — Return of property*

## Civil

**Ahmad v. Marques**, [2024 ONSC 184](#) - Justice Vallee  
*Civil procedure — Costs — Entitlement — Real property — Certificate of pending litigation*

**Chettiar v. Mui**, [2024 ONSC 640](#) - Justice A.A. Casullo  
*Practice — Costs — Substantial Indemnity — Entitlement — Costs of motion for summary judgment AI experiment*

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## New Acquisitions

*Come in and check out our new publications!*

Sentencing: Principles and Practice, 2nd ed.

A Guide to Conducting Sentencing Hearings in Canada

Prosecuting and Defending Youth Criminal Justice Cases, 3rd ed.

Prosecuting and Defending Offences Against Children, 2nd ed.

Prosecuting and Defending Drug Cases, 2nd ed.

Child Protection Law in Ontario

Annual Review of Family Law 2022-2023

The Eight-Minute Family Law Lawyer 2023

Bennett on Commercial Leases in Ontario, 2nd ed.

Mitigation in Ontario Employment Law

Law of Dismissal in Canada, 3rd Edition

Canadian Immigration & Refugee Law: a practitioner's handbook, 4th ed.

31st Immigration Law Summit - Days 1 & 2

Ontario Civil Practice 2024

Civil Appeals: The Year in Review 2023

12th Human Rights Summit

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Updated Looseleafs:

Law of Dismissal in Canada

Just Cause: the law of summary dismissal in Canada

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