



Wills Drafting for BC Notaries

BC Notaries from around the province gathered February 6 and 7, 2009, at BCIT in downtown Vancouver for a 2-day Wills Seminar and Workshop event.



Laurie Salvador



Todd McKendrick



Lorne Mann



Rick Evans



Joan Letendre



Marny Morin

Notary Laurie Salvador from Sidney was our Chair. The other instructors and panel members included Todd McKendrick, legal counsel for The Society; and BC Notaries

Lorne Mann from Creston, Rick Evans from Nanaimo, and Joan Letendre from Vancouver. Marny Morin from The Society office provided administrative support and guidance.

The Notaries studied and discussed such matters as Notetaking, Checklists, Intake Forms, Interview Procedures, Tax Issues, and Execution Formalities.

Lorne led a discussion about the process of cross examination when a Will goes before the court.

Rick and Joan provided direction on various resource materials, including the *Wills Annotated Guide*, and led participants through The Society's *Best Practice Manual*.

Using the *Manual*, Laurie conducted a session and presented case studies on Blended Families, provisions of the *Wills Variation Act*, and what BC Notaries should know.

A lively panel discussion with Q & A culminated the event.

Eighty-four members attended. The Society plans to repeat the Wills Seminar and Workshop over the next year in various parts of the province. ▲



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Some of the Panel



Some of the Participants