Notice to Counsel #76 Criminal Tariff

LSS reintroduces coverage for Administrative (Category 1) offences

As announced in the recent Message to the Tariff Bar, the Legal Services Society will reintroduce standard coverage for Administrative (formerly Category 1) offences, effective December 8, 2010.

Administrative offences on referrals with a date of interview/assignment on or after December 8, 2010, will be paid at the new Administrative rate, which is generally 20 percent lower than the Summary rate. For referrals with a date of interview/assignment prior to December 8, 2010, billable Administrative offences (involving youth and clients approved under exception review) will continue to be paid at the Summary tariff rate or Category 1 rate, as applicable.

Note that this change in coverage applies only to charges that are new or unresolved on or after December 8, 2010, and billable services that are provided on or after December 8, 2010. If requesting to add charges to an existing referral, you will be asked to provide the next court date.

The revised Criminal chapter of *LSS Tariffs* will be available on December 8, 2010, on the LSS website at www.lss.bc.ca under Lawyers — LSS Tariffs.

We welcome your feedback. If you have any comments, please e-mail them to lawyersresources@lss.bc.ca.

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