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Fred Kaiser to provide legal aid services

Williams Lake, BC — Lawyer Fred Kaiser is once again the Williams Lake Local Agent for the Legal Services Society (LSS).

Area residents can now apply for legal aid at Kaiser's office at 369 Oliver Street, Suite 201.

Office hours are Tuesdays 8:30 a.m. to noon and 1:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.; Wednesdays 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., and Thursdays 8:30 a.m. to noon (except on family list days— usually the first Thursday each month), and 1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.. Local agent staff are also available at the courthouse from 9 a.m. to noon on Wednesdays and on Thursday family list days.

Fred has practiced primarily criminal and child apprehension law in BC since he was called to the BC Bar in 1995. In 1997, after working for two years in Kamloops, he relocated his practice to Williams Lake. He provided local agent services in Williams Lake from February 2005 to September 2006.

"LSS is very pleased to have a lawyer of Fred's calibre providing local agent services in Williams Lake," says Mark Benton, the society's executive director. "He and his staff know the community well, and are familiar with our clients' needs and how best to help them."

Local agents are private bar lawyers funded by LSS to provide services such as:

- taking applications for legal representation and referring eligible clients to lawyers,
- taking legal aid referrals (up to an equitable portion of those issued by their office), and
- directing clients to legal information and/or advice services, including online and print materials, community agencies, LawLINE, and family duty counsel.

Those who need to apply for legal aid outside the local agent's office hours can do so by contacting the LSS Call Centre at 1-866-577-2525 (toll free).

For further information, please contact:

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LSS is an independent, non-profit organization that has provided legal aid to people with low incomes in BC since 1979.

Legal representation is available for serious family, child protection, and criminal issues. It is also available for some immigration, mental health law, and prison law matters.

Legal advice is available at most courts through duty counsel and by telephone through LawLINE and the Brydges Line (both are province-wide toll-free lines).

Legal information is available through Legal Information Outreach Worker (LIOW) services, LawLINE, plain language publications, and Internet services, including the Electronic Law Library, Family Law in BC, LSS, and LawLINK websites. (See www.lss.bc.ca for most of our publications, our catalogue, and website links.)

*To contact the **LSS Call Centre** and **LawLINE**, dial: (604) 408-2172 (Lower Mainland) or 1-866-577-2525 (toll free from outside the Lower Mainland).*

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