Canadian Abridg BULLETIN



FROM THE PUBLISHER

In this issue of the Bulletin, we provide you with highlights of two enhancements to the Canadian Abridgment case digests on WestlawNext Canada. These changes integrate the Abridgment more fully into the WestlawNext Canada case law collection.

We will update you on new types of content now being indexed in the Index to Canadian Legal Literature.

We also update you on the Abridgment's Case Law Digest reissue program, providing you with highlights of the 2014 reissues.

I welcome any comments or suggestions that you may have concerning The Canadian Abridgment.

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ICLL Enhancement

Our goal with the Index to Canadian Legal Literature is for it to continue be the most complete bibliography of Canadian legal material available. To that end, we are always thinking about what types of content can be added to the Index. It is clear by looking at the web publishing landscape that interesting and important legal literature is available in new formats. By indexing new content types, we hope to make the information contained in them easier to find and more accessible.

Podcasts and YouTube videos are now being included in the ICLL. This content is subject to the same rigorous editorial standards that determine what print material is indexed and only material with lasting legal significance is included. As well, individual articles from Continuing Legal Education packages are being added to the Index. This will make that material, which researchers tell us is very highly valued, much more accessible.

Abridgment Short Guide

With the launch of WestlawNext Canada, a new edition of the Short Guide to the Canadian Abridgment and Related Products has been published. The

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Bound copies can be ordered for free by calling customer service at 1-800-387-5164 or by e-mailing <u>carswell.orders@thomsonreuters.com</u>. Please quote product number SBN: L7798-6434.

The French edition of the *Short Guide* will be published in early June.

Canadian Abridgment Case Digest Reissue Program

The Canadian Abridgment, both in print and on WestlawNext Canada, is continually updated to maintain its currency, accuracy and readability. The regular reissue of main work print volumes is an important part of our Case Digest supplementation program.

The preparation of reissues requires the efforts of lawyers from our Legal Writing Group who conduct a thorough, case-by-case review to select relevant case law and improve the classifications in the reissued title.

In 2014, the Labour and Employment Law title was reissued.

With this reissue, there are significant enhancements of the Collective agreement, Collective bargaining, Labour arbitrations, and Discipline and terminations headings.

This reissue also involved a careful review and comparison of the Abridgment classification scheme and the Canadian Labour Arbitration Summaries/Labour Arbitration Cases classification scheme. This was done to identify any gaps in the Abridgment classification. As a result of this review, 19 new sub-classifications have been added.

In addition, thousands of classification-only digests were upgraded during the review of the title, and a significant number of new cases were added to the title.

In 2015, the Civil Practice and Procedure title will be reissued. Since the last reissue of that title, there have been significant changes to the Rules in several jurisdictions. The reissue will allow the title to more accurately reflect the current state of the law.

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