

## **Complaint Help Form**

Are you disputing legal fees in addition to making a complaint?	Yes	No					
If "Yes", we cannot reduce or refund legal fees through the complaint process.							
• To pursue a refund or reduction of fees, refer to Lawyer Fee Disputes on our website for your options. (www.lawsociety.mb.ca/for-the-public/other-resolutions/lawyer-fee-disputes OR call 204-926-2048)							
YOUR INFORMATION							
Prefix	Mr.	Ms.	Mx.	Dr.			
Name							
Address							
Preferred phone number(s)							
Preferred email							
WHO ARE YOU COMPLAINING ABOUT?							
Name of the lawyer							
Firm/company							
1. What is your relationship to the	Client		Former client				
lawyer?	Opposing party		Opposing lawyer				
	Other		Oppositing lawyer				

2.	Complaint about your current/former lawyer (Skip to Question 3 if not your lawyer)	N/A		
	When did you hire the lawyer?			
	What was the lawyer hired to do?			
	Is your matter finished?	Yes	No	
	If the lawyer is lo longer representing you, when and how did this occur?			
	Your new lawyer's name, if you have one.			
3.	Complaint about someone else's lawyer (Skip if you completed Question 2) Who does the lawyer act for?	N/A		
	What is your involvement?			
	Is the matter finished?	Yes	No	
	Your lawyer's name, if you have one.			
4.	What area of law is involved?	Immigratio	'Commercial	Civil Litigation Family Wills/Estates Criminal
	If there is a court proceeding, what is the court file number?			
	Where and when is the next hearing?			

5. Wills/estate matters N/A

What is the name of the deceased?

Are you a beneficiary? Yes No

Are you an executor or administrator? Yes No

If "No", who is/are the executor(s) or administrator(s)?

## 6. What are your main concerns?

For each checked box, you must provide details of what has taken place in your written complaint.

Delay/inactivity Failure to communicate

Failure to follow instructions Failure to respond

Missed court appearance Rudeness and/or threats
Improper withdrawal of services Refusal to provide bill
Failure to release file and/or funds Funds not accounted for

Poor or bad legal advice/representation Mistakes causing you to lose money

Broken promises/breach of undertaking Conflict of interest

Other - Indicate below Fees

- 7. Please provide full details of your concerns in the box on page 4.
- 8. If you have tried to discuss your concerns with the lawyer, please provide details.

9. What do you hope to achieve by submitting a complaint?

## The following is a detailed explanation of my complaint. Please only use single-sided pages. I have added more pages:

10. The documents listed below are attac ( <u>Do not</u> send originals. Provide <u>releva</u>							
<ul> <li>Once we have completed our initial evaluation of your complaint, we will decide whether or not to conduct an investigation.</li> </ul>							
	As part of our evaluation and/or investigation, the Law Society may contact your current and/or forme counsel and other third parties as we determine appropriate.						
Whether we conduct an investiga about whom you are complaining	tion or not, copies of all complaint g.	materials will be sent to the lawye					
Date							
Signature							
		v.22					
How to submit your SIGNED form:							
Mail:	Scan and send:	Fax:					
The Law Society of Manitoba Complaints Resolution Department 200 - 260 St. Mary Avenue Winnipeg, MB R3C 0M6	complaints@lawsociety.mb.ca	204-956-0624 Attention: Complaints Resolution					
Questions about this form? Contact:	Questions about disput	ting legal fees? Contact:					
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