

December 20, 2013

30 October 2013

Attn: Paula Baggs, Executive Director  
Association of Newfoundland Land Surveyors,  
62-64 Pippy Place, Suite 203,  
St. John's, NL A1B 4H7

Dear Ms. Baggs:

Please post the following as a communique to our members, the term members being as defined in the Act.

This is to inform the membership that the Association is in receipt of a legal opinion regarding my involvement as a liaison committee member negotiating the survey review process between the Association and Crown Lands. The legal opinion affects my liaison committee involvement as follows:

1. Under the Corporate Opportunity Doctrine, I now disclose that during the last liaison committee meeting I witnessed a presentation by Ian Edwards, NLS, P.Eng. CLS that presented a flow chart on a methodology for survey review of crown land surveys. I also disclose that I am a director of Information Brokerage Limited (IBL) with the presentation by Ian titled under the IBL banner. As there is a perception under law that I may benefit from this information I give notice that I will step down from attending these meetings and discussing this issue at Council.
2. My withdrawal necessitates that we have someone step into my role on the committee for undertaking negotiations with Crown Lands and the membership.
3. The legal opinion also states that "Council members who are shareholders would be in breach of the corporate opportunity doctrine should they proceed with the agreement with Crown Lands". This may further reduce the liaison committee members we have available to effect the coming changes being put forward by Crown Lands.

The upcoming discussions with Crown Lands will change the organizational review process for our crown land surveys. Anyone wishing to make themselves available should contact President Robert Way, NLS. I believe our increased involvement can only make the crown land process better.

Best Regards,



J. Keith Renouf, NLS, P.Eng. CLS