

THE
NORTHWEST TERRITORIES
LAW FOUNDATION

EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT
For the Fiscal Year Ending June 30th, 1990



CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

TO THE EXECUTIVE LAW SOCIETY OF THE NORTHWEST TERRITORIES

I present to you the Annual Report of the Northwest Territories Law Foundation for the fiscal year July 1, 1989 to June 30, 1990 as required by section 55 of the Legal Profession Act.

Our grants for the past year total \$104,491.00 and this represents an increase over last year of nearly 42%. The Foundation is now a major contributor to the Arctic Public Legal Education Society and the Northwest Territories Law Reports each year. The Foundation has also made substantial commitments to ensure that the project on Family Law Reform has been properly funded to allow completion of this essential research. In addition, the Foundation funds other ongoing and short term projects, some of which originate from the Northwest Territories and others from national organizations. This includes the University of Saskatchewan Native Law Centre and the Canadian Bar Association's "Law for the Future" fund among many others. A more complete list of this year's grants is included in this report.

I am proud to announce that the Foundation has approved in principle the setting up of a scholarship fund to be used to assist deserving law and law graduate students. The Foundation has set aside \$50,000.00 in a separate fund and the scholarship money will arise from the interest generated on those funds. Each scholarship will be \$5,000.00 and it will be awarded to students chosen by the selection committee who can demonstrate a distinct and valuable commitment or dedication to the Northwest Territories and its people. It is hoped the scholarship will advance the legal education and knowledge of the people of the Northwest Territories. It is intended that the scholarship be in place by the school term 1991-1992.

I would like to thank the Directors who served so diligently over the past year: Cheryl Walker, Richard Spaulding, Gary Boyd, Ron Williams, and our newest laymember, Fibbie Tatti. I would be remiss if I did not extend my gratitude to Gordon Carter and his staff for their valuable assistance managing the Foundation on a daily basis.

Respectfully submitted,

Lorraine F. Minish-Cooper,
Chairperson

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First Vice-Chairman

Cheryl Walker

Directors

Gary Boyd

Richard Spaulding

Appointed Member

Ronald D. Williams
until November 22, 1989

Fibbie Tatti
from February 10, 1990

GRANTS 1989-90

Arctic Public Legal Education	\$ 20,000.00
Assistance to PLEI to explain the law and the legal system to residents of the NWT	
Law Society of the Northwest Territories	\$ 10,710.00
Assistance to the Law Society of 50% of the cost of publishing the Northwest Territories Law Reports	
University of Saskatchewan	\$ 2,500.00
Assistance to the University in their program to assist Native people gain admission to the study of law and to carry out research and publication issues on native issues. \$7,500 commitment to be paid over three years - third year payment	
Canadian Law Information Council	\$ 1,330.00
Assistance to CLIC in their program of research, education and dissemination of information	
Canadian Bar Foundation	\$ 1,135.00
Assistance in the CBA program of research, study and analysis on a number of issues. \$5,000 commitment over five years - third year payment	
Canadian Institute for the Administration of Justice	\$ 500.00
A general grant to assist in the operation of the Institute	
N.W.T. Family Law Reform Project	\$ 30,000.00
A \$300,000.00 two year project being performed on contract and directed by an Ad Hoc working group consisting of the Advisory Council on the Status of Women; Family Mediation Association; NWT Department of Justice; Dene Nation; Metis Association; and representatives of the private bar. Administration provided by GNWT - Department of Justice	
N.W.T. Court Library System	\$ 25,000.00
A general grant to assist in the operation of the central Court Library in Yellowknife, N.W.T.	
N.W.T. Branch - Canadian Bar Association	\$ 500.00
A general grant to stage Law Day, 1990	

University of Calgary	\$ 1,000.00
Assistance to stage an International Human Rights Conference	
Canadian Bar Association, Criminal Justice Subsection - NWT Branch	\$ 8,815.00
Research project on sexual assault sentencing in the NWT	
Canadian Bar - Law for Future Fund	\$ 1,000.00

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AUDITORS' REPORT

Board of Directors
Northwest Territories Law Foundation

We have examined the Balance Sheet of the Northwest Territories Law Foundation for the year ended June 30, 1990 and the Statements of Members' Equity and Revenue and Expenditure for the year then ended. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

A major part of the Foundation's revenue is interest from accounts of its members which is not susceptible to complete audit verification because of the lack of a system of control. Accordingly, our verification of receipts from this source was limited to accounting for the amounts recorded in the accounts of the Foundation.

In our opinion, except for the effect of adjustments, if any, which might have been required had interest from trust accounts been susceptible to complete audit verification, these financial statements present fairly the assets and liabilities of the Foundation as at June 30, 1990 and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in accordance with the accounting principles set out in the Notes to the Financial Statements, applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

Hinchey, Williams, Avery Cooper & Co.
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Certified General Accountants
Yellowknife, N.W.T.

August 8, 1990

NORTHWEST TERRITORIES LAW FOUNDATION

BALANCE SHEET
June 30, 1990

ASSETS

	<u>1990</u>	<u>1989</u>
CURRENT		
Cash	\$157,313	\$178,099
Term Deposits - at cost	250,000	150,000
Accounts Receivable	22,628	14,666
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	\$429,941	\$342,765
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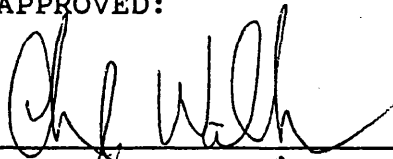
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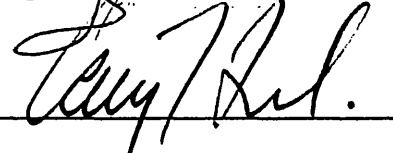
CURRENT		
Accounts Payable and Accruals	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,500
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MEMBERS' EQUITY

SURPLUS, per Statement II	378,179	341,265
ENDOWMENT FUND, per Statement II	50,262	-
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	428,441	341,265
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	\$429,941	\$342,765
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APPROVED:


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 _____ Director

See the attached notes.

NORTHWEST TERRITORIES LAW FOUNDATION

STATEMENT OF MEMBERS' EQUITY
For the Year Ended June 30, 1990

	<u>1990</u>	<u>1989</u>
SURPLUS		
Opening Balance	\$341,265	\$219,232
Excess Revenue Per Statement III	87,176	122,033
Less Transfer to Endowment Fund	(50,262)	-
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Closing Balance	\$378,179	\$341,265
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ENDOWMENT FUND (Note 3)		
Transfer from Surplus	\$ 50,262	-
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See the attached notes.

NORTHWEST TERRITORIES LAW FOUNDATION
 STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE
 For the Year Ended June 30, 1990

	<u>1990</u>	<u>1989</u>
REVENUE		
Interest on Trust Accounts	\$172,519	\$192,961
Interest on Term Deposits and Bank	38,766	22,790
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	211,285	215,751
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EXPENDITURE		
Administration Fees	12,253	9,321
Dues	-	194
Executive	1,478	1,600
Office and Miscellaneous	969	3,530
Grants	104,491	73,794
Printing	3,236	3,279
Professional Fees	1,682	2,000
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	124,109	93,718
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EXCESS REVENUE	\$ 87,176	\$122,033
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See the attached notes.

NORTHWEST TERRITORIES LAW FOUNDATION

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

June 30, 1990

NOTE 1 STATUS

The Foundation is incorporated under the laws of the Northwest Territories

NOTE 2 SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICY

The Foundation records revenue from interest on members trust accounts as these amounts are received from members of the Law Society of the Northwest Territories.

NOTE 3 ENDOWMENT FUND

The Endowment Fund of \$50,000 was established to generate interest income to finance a scholarship program for law studies.