

NOTICE

Suspension

On December 15, 2022, a Hearing Committee of the Law Society of Alberta found the conduct of **Christopher Roger Neufeld**, an active member of the Law Society who lives and practices in Calgary, Alberta, to be deserving of sanction on four citations. Pursuant to section 72(1)(b) of the *Legal Profession Act*, RSA 2000, c.L-8, the Hearing Committee ordered that Mr. Neufeld be suspended for five months, starting on February 15, 2023.

Specifically, Mr. Neufeld was found guilty of the following misconduct:

1. Using a trust account to receive and disburse trust funds when no legal services were provided;
2. Releasing monies from trust without first honouring trust conditions;
3. Failing to properly maintain prescribed financial records; and
4. Failing to respond promptly and completely to communications from the Law Society.

The Hearing Committee also ordered that Mr. Neufeld pay costs of \$25,000.00 by July 31, 2024.

The following lawyer will be appointed as the custodian of Mr. Neufeld's practice during his suspension:

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The full written decision of the Hearing Committee will be posted to the Law Society of Alberta website when it is issued.

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