



ARTICLING AND PRACTISING LAW IN HAMILTON

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We invite you to begin your professional career in Hamilton, and we look forward to your participation in our legal community.





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Practising Law in Hamilton

Articling is a crucial part of a lawyer's training and choosing a law firm is a very important decision for a new graduate. Choosing where to article and practise law is equally significant.

Several legal organizations call Hamilton home, including The Hamilton Law Association, the Hamilton Lawyers' Club, the Hamilton Criminal Lawyers' Association, and the Hamilton Medical/Legal Society. These organizations regularly host educational seminars, professional events, and social activities, helping you to expand your professional and personal network.

Hamilton is home to a Central South branch of the Superior Court of Justice, which has jurisdiction over criminal, civil, and family cases. The Divisional, Small Claims, and Family Courts are also under the Superior Court umbrella. As a result, Hamilton offers interesting legal work and our law firms offer students the ability to argue motions, meet with clients, and learn invaluable legal skills.

The Hamilton Law Association

Hamilton-area lawyers will always have the support they need through The Hamilton Law Association. The Association was established in 1879 to support the legal profession in Hamilton, and it continues to do so into the 21st century with over 900 members.

The Hamilton Law Association is proud to house the Anthony Pepe Memorial Law Library within the John Sopinka Courthouse. Home to a collection of over 30,000 books, as well as online databases, journals, Continuing Professional Development publications and more, our library is a one-stop shop for our members' research needs.

As an Accredited Provider of Professionalism Content by the Law Society of Ontario, The Hamilton Law Association also offers a full range of high-quality, locally produced Continuing Professional Development programs. Our educational programs provide the opportunity to learn more about your legal community and the resources available to help serve your future clients more effectively.



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Living in Hamilton

Hamilton is a vibrant and diverse community of over 550,000 residents. With numerous hiking trails, bayfront views, shopping districts, world-class restaurants, and festivals, Hamiltonians never find themselves bored.

Residents of Hamilton have the choice of urban, suburban, or rural living. Walk through the historic urban neighbourhoods of Hamilton and the beautiful suburban homes of Dundas and Ancaster. Afterward, breathe in the country air on the outskirts of the city, all within a 20-minute drive of downtown.

Located within an hour from metropolitan Toronto, the Niagara wine region, and several charming small towns, Hamiltonians are always able to plan a last-minute weekend getaway. Make use of the Hamilton Street Rail, GO Transit services and VIA Rail for local traveling, or if you wish to travel the world, Hamilton has its very own international airport.

Hamilton is a great place to live and practise law. Come and see for yourself.

SHOPPING & DINING

In the heart of the city and in the quaint communities that make up the City of Hamilton, there are shopping venues for everyone's tastes... from power centres, to suburban malls, to storefront shops.

Popular Lime Ridge Mall boasts all the big name stores while Locke Street, Ottawa Street and James Street North offers antiques, specialty shops and innovative cuisine.

The cultural diversity of the city is reflected in its culinary cuisine. From Italian to Thai, we invite you to sample the variety of dining options available throughout Hamilton.

Explore the great nightlife with Hamilton's many bars, lounges and jazz clubs. Hess Village, Westdale, and King William St. are a few favourite nightspots.

FAMILY FUN

Festivals, cultural celebrations, beautiful gardens, water parks, wild animals, and warships entertain and educate throughout the year.

African Lion Safari is home to over 1,000 exotic birds and animals.
www.lionsafari.com

Slide and splash at **Confederation Park**.
<http://conservationhamilton.ca/conservation-areas-2/confederation-park/>

Experience Canada's rich marine heritage at the **Canada Marine Discovery Centre**. Tour the HMCS Haida, a WWII Tribal Class destroyer.
www.pc.gc.ca

Step back in time to a fascinating living history country village at **Westfield Heritage Village**.
<http://westfieldheritage.ca/>



TRAILS & NATURE

From the shores of Lake Ontario to the Niagara Escarpment and beyond, mountain bike or walk more than 125 km of multi-use trails through forests, fields and stunning geographical formations, including over 40 waterfalls.

Hike the Bruce Trail, Canada's oldest and longest footpath to explore the Niagara Escarpment - a UNESCO World Biosphere Reserve.

Strap on your cross-country skis and discover the trails of the Dundas Valley and Christie Lake, or enjoy winter camping at Valens Lake.

Hamilton Conservation Authority
www.conservationhamilton.ca

Bruce Trail Association
www.brucetrail.org



TRANSPORTATION

The **John C. Munro Hamilton International Airport** is just a 20 minute drive from the downtown core with convenient parking on-site. Passenger service is provided by Air Canada, Air Transat, NewLeaf, Sunwing and Westjet.
www.flyhamilton.ca

Air Transat
www.airtransat.com

Sunwing
www.sunwing.ca

Westjet
www.westjet.com

Hamilton is a hub for a variety of ground services to transport you where you need to go.

GO Transit
www.gotransit.com

VIA Rail
www.viarail.ca

BUSINESS & COMMERCE

Entrepreneurial and employment opportunities abound in Hamilton - from biotech to education, film production to agriculture and from manufacturing to health care.

To help you realize your business dreams and goals, contact:

Economic Development
www.investinhamilton.ca

Hamilton Business Centre
www.investinhamilton.ca/small-business

Hamilton Chamber of Commerce
www.hamiltonchamber.ca

**ACFO Association
canadienne-française
de l'Ontario**
www.acfohamilton.org

FIND A HOME

View Hamilton district real estate at:
www.realtor.ca

Come and explore our city of charming neighbourhoods and find a home to suit your taste, lifestyle and budget. Carlisle and Binbrook offer a rural lifestyle, while the escarpment and South-West offer stately older homes closer to city amenities. Westdale is a vibrant and sophisticated community close to McMaster University.

Dundas has beautifully restored historic homes for those who want to be within walking distance of a quaint village.

From downtown condos to award-winning subdivisions in Ancaster, the Mountain, Stoney Creek and Waterdown, Hamilton is a place you can call home.





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