

usually insures former as well as current partners and employed lawyers of the firm for their work in relation to the firm.

In considering these insurance alternatives, we encourage you to minimize any gaps in coverage. For example, be sure to increase the amount of your run-off protection to the full \$1 million per claim/\$2 million aggregate amount if excess insurance is being carried above that, and consider carrying the optional innocent partner protection to ensure uniform protection against the dishonest acts of others.

There is no uniform excess insurance wording, so review that policy wording with care and know whether you are insured and for what. Consider what limiting provisions apply with respect to your work on behalf of the firm, and whether you are insured for your work with predecessor and other prior law firms. Also, see what notice or assurances may be agreed upon, to ensure that excess insurance continues to be maintained.

These are just some of the basic points discussed on the LAWPRO website and in our various "insurance matters" booklets

available on-line through the LAWPRO website at www.lawpro.ca.

So, give insurance some thought if you plan to leave private practice, and let LAWPRO know 60 days in advance of any planned changes, to ensure that the appropriate insurance protections are then in place based on your instructions.

For more information on run-off coverage, see our website at www.lawpro.ca or contact customer service at service@lawpro.ca or 41-598-5899 or 1-800-410-1013.

sustainability

LAWPRO sustainability update



In our last issue of the magazine, we tried to demonstrate our commitment to a greener workplace and supporting sustainability. To continue this, we will be devoting a small portion of the magazine to bring you updates on what LAWPRO is doing to help the environment as well as tips that you can implement in your workplace.

Online renewals

Our push to have even more lawyers than before renew their insurance coverage online, via our website, is proving to be a great success: By the filing deadline,

about 19,500 lawyers had filed insurance applications electronically – and by the time we take down the site that lets lawyers file via the web, we expect that about 95 per cent of eligible lawyers will have supported our sustainability drive (and saved themselves \$50) by filing online.

LAWPRO's Green Committee

Recently LAWPRO started an internal Green Committee to investigate ways the company and individual employees could be more environmentally conscious. The committee's aim is to be informative and helpful without seeming invasive.

In the past few months the committee has undertaken a number of interesting activities, including a screening of the Al

Gore film, "An Inconvenient Truth." On the drawing boards are an awareness campaign around employees' paper usage and a push to make all office printers capable of double-sided printing.

Sustainability tip: Online party invitations

Next time your firm is sending out invitations to a company event, consider using electronic invites. Online services can keep track of details such as who has RSVP'd, how many guests will be attending and their meal choice.

Online sites such as www.evite.com, www.mypunchbowl.com and www.anyvite.com provide you with an eye-catching and cost effective way to get your information out – and at a fraction of the time it might normally take.