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There's a right way and wrong way to stop the litigation clock

The limitations regime in Ontario is strict. Learn the standstill agreement criteria to stop the clock and preserve your client's rights. These 2013 cases grappled with what constitutes an agreement to toll an action or waive a defence.



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Do document review lawyers need insurance?

Some lawyers work as independent contractors, doing document review work for corporate clients. Do they need professional indemnity insurance?

It depends on the nature of the work. If the work is strictly summarizing and condensing volumes of information as one might do when working for a legal publisher, perhaps not. However, when the work requires the exercise of knowledge, skills and/or judgement in the law and the application of legal principles, it can amount to the practice of law, and the lawyer would, accordingly, need to be insured. [more](#)

Non-disclosure of Pierringer agreement amounts: is there a "way out" for LAWPRO insureds?

Non-disclosure of the amount of a Pierringer agreement may not prejudice non-settling defendants who are alleged to be concurrent tortfeasors with the ones who have settled... but what about a lawyer defendant who is defending a claim based on losses different in nature, and separated in time? [more](#)

Beware the too-quiet file (and Rule 48)

If you are lucky enough to have a busy practice, you may welcome the brief respite you get when a legal matter goes temporarily dormant. There are three rules for taking advantage of these lulls. [more](#)

Watch out! Additional deductible applies to certain administrative dismissal claims

Did you know that certain administrative dismissal claims now trigger an additional deductible? See "[10,000 increase in deductible for certain administrative dismissal claims](#)" and [this FAQ](#) for more details.

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Key Dates

April 30, 2014: transaction levies and forms are due for the quarter ending March 31, 2014.

April 30, 2014: exemption forms from lawyers not practising civil litigation or real estate and wanting to exempt themselves from quarterly filings are due.

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