



LEGAL PODCASTS:

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It can be difficult to stay up-to-date on new developments and ideas in the practice of law when there is already so much to do in the day. Subscribing to interesting and educational legal podcasts can keep you informed as well as entertained (especially during a long commute).

Here are four current podcasts that can help you improve your legal practice.

1) The Every Lawyer

Produced by the Canadian Bar Association, *The Every Lawyer* releases 20-30 minute episodes every two weeks that touch on legal practice tips, lawyer wellness, and Canadian legal trends. Recent topics include an exploration of the CBA's Asylum Seekers Toolkit, issues that arise when lawyers sit on boards of directors while managing a full-time legal practice, and a look at practising law with a hearing disability. It's hosted by Marliisa Silvery Sweeney—a lecturer at the Sauder School of Business—and Raymond Adlington, the President of the CBA. A French-language version is also available under the title *Juriste Branché*.



cba.org/Publications-Resources/Podcasts?lang=en-ca

2) Smashing Security

Hosted by computer security industry veterans Graham Cluley and Carole Theriault, *Smashing Security* is a weekly podcast that covers recent cybersecurity breaches from around the world. The hosts explain how

cybersecurity, hacking, and online privacy are changing and how recent online security failures occur and can be avoided. Recent topics include security vulnerabilities through SIM card swaps, protecting the contents of an email account, and the rapid evolution and dangers of digitally doctored videos spreading online. Episodes are generally 45 minutes to one hour in length.



smashingsecurity.com/episodes

3) Law Bytes

Hosted by Michael Geist, law professor at the University of Ottawa and holder of the Research Chair in Internet and E-Commerce Law, *Law Bytes* is a recent addition to the catalogue of Canadian legal podcasts, launched in March of 2019. Every week, Michael Geist explores global digital policy from a Canadian perspective, with recent topics including Geist's presentation to the Canadian Senate on open banking and regulatory concerns with respect to privacy and data protection, digital security dangers associated with the use of foreign

telecommunications technologies, and a review of the Standing Committee on Industry, Science, and Technology's recent report on the *Copyright Act*. Episodes are approximately 30 minutes in length.



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4) The Lawyerist

A weekly podcast highlighting small firm lawyers and business leaders speaking on issues relevant to firm management, *The Lawyerist* is part of the Legal Talk Network, an American network of legal-related podcasts produced in association with organizations such as the American Bar Association and Thomson Reuters. Recent topics include online marketing through legal blogs and podcasts, data-driven legal practice, solving access to justice problems, and time management for lawyers. Episodes are approximately 30 minutes to one hour in length. ■



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