
EDITORS' NOTE

This special issue on tort law marks an important milestone for the *Alberta Law Review*. The *Alberta Law Review* will be transitioning to an open access distribution model beginning with Volume 54 (Fall 2016). All future issues of the *Alberta Law Review* will be made available free of charge over the internet to anyone who wishes to access our content. As part of this transition, print versions of the journal will no longer be produced, and our readers will no longer be able to subscribe to physical copies of the journal. Instead, they will have access to our content online, free of charge.

This transition is in keeping with our longstanding commitment to innovation. Since its founding in 1955 — a bold experiment by student Hugh Lawford (who later co-founded QuickLaw) — the *Alberta Law Review* has been on the cutting-edge of Canadian legal scholarship. In a field where generalist publications predominate, the *Alberta Law Review* pioneered an annual special issue on Canadian energy law and continues to publish forward-thinking issues on topics ranging from globalization to same-sex unions to racial profiling in police work. This transition is the next step in our evolution.

We strongly believe that transitioning to an open access format will allow us to better serve our readers. At the click of a button, students, academics, practitioners, members of the judiciary, and the general public will be able to access our content free of charge. Our website will be updated quarterly with the latest issue of the *Alberta Law Review*. Each new issue will also be advertised regularly in the Law Society of Alberta's monthly e-Bulletin and promoted online using social media. With these new platforms, we will be able to spread legal analysis and commentary written by renowned legal scholars to the Canadian legal community and the broader public community.

Thank you for supporting the *Alberta Law Review*. If you have any questions about this upcoming transition, please contact the Editors-in-Chief at info@albertalawreview.com.

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