



Summer Students & Articling Clerks

2022



Julia Fitzpatrick | 1L
Dalhousie University

Julia grew up in Torbay, Newfoundland & Labrador. After graduating from Appleby College high school in Oakville Ontario, she completed her undergraduate degree at McGill University in Montreal where she obtained a B.A. in Political Science with a minor in Social Entrepreneurship. Julia has worked in the Newfoundland tourism industry and has previous experience in the co-operative sector. She is a founding member of the Co-operative Solutions Group who promote the co-op business model and provide consulting services to co-operative and social enterprises in Newfoundland. Julia is currently completing her JD at the Schulich School of Law, where she is involved in the Dalhousie Student Advocacy Service and Pro Bono Dalhousie. In her spare time, Julia enjoys singing, playing ice hockey, hiking, yoga, and spinning.



Brandon Rideout | 1L
University of Ottawa

Brandon was born and raised on the Burin Peninsula before moving to Paradise during his adolescent years. He is a Certified Mechanical Engineering Technologist and 3rd Class Power Engineer with an undergraduate degree in Technology from Memorial University of Newfoundland. He is currently attending the University of Ottawa to pursue a JD while concurrently working on his MBA. He now hopes to start a budding career in commercial litigation and tech law. Before law school Brandon held a successful career in business development for one of the largest multi-disciplinary construction companies on the east coast and is a former Gonzaga high school basketball coach which he misses every day. When he's not in the office he can be found keeping the dream alive by being way too competitive in recreational sports or hiking with his golden retriever, Winnie.



Laura Stratton | 1L
University of New Brunswick

Laura grew up in Conception Bay South, Newfoundland. Prior to pursuing Law at the University of New Brunswick, she completed the Bachelor of Commerce Co-operative at Memorial University. During her undergraduate studies she worked in the human resources field as well as with the professional sport teams in St. John's. Throughout 1L, she volunteered with a Learn to Skate program as hockey has always been a passion of hers. Outside of work and school, she enjoys spending time in nature, reading, and experimenting with local cuisine.



Rachel Delaney | 2L
Dalhousie University

Rachel grew up in Mount Pearl, Newfoundland and Labrador. She graduated from Memorial University of Newfoundland with a Bachelor of Engineering (Civil) in 2018. Prior to attending the Schulich School of Law at Dalhousie, she worked as a structural and subsea Engineer-in-Training. Throughout 1L she volunteered with the Atlantic Refugee and Immigration Services program assisting individuals with the completion and submission of their citizenship and sponsorship applications. Recently she was a program coordinator with the Halifax Regional Centre for Education through Pro Bono Dalhousie where she was responsible for organizing and delivering legal educational seminars and other educational opportunities for high school students. She plans to continue in this position throughout her third year of law school. In her free time, you can find Rachel spending time with friends and family, hiking (usually around Signal Hill), or going on adventures with her dog, Leo, and cat, Dwight.



Claire Dowden | 2L
Dalhousie University

A Newfoundlander born and bred, Claire is a proud townie and is beyond excited to be home for another St. John's summer. Before heading to Dalhousie's Schulich School of Law, Claire earned a Bachelor of Arts in

English Literature and Communication Studies at Memorial University where she was graciously awarded both the University Medal for Academic Excellence in Communication Studies and the Reginald H. Brown Q.C. Memorial Scholarship. At Dal, Claire recently finished a term as VP Student Life and continues to volunteer with the Dalhousie Student Advocacy Service, representing students facing allegations of academic misconduct. Outside of work, Claire can often be found trying a new recipe, hiking with her miniature labradoodle, Finnigan, or dining on the pedestrian mall with friends and family.



Christina Driscoll | 2L
University of Leicester

Born and raised in Newfoundland, Christina grew up in the East End of St. John's. She obtained a Business Administration Degree in 2019 with a French Minor and Criminology Certificate from Memorial University.

Prior to attending law school at the University of Leicester, she worked at a Montessori School teaching French classes to preschool children. While attending law school in the UK, Christina was appointed the Volunteer Team Leader for Project LIGHT, a pro bono project aimed at helping people experiencing homelessness in Leicester with legal and medical needs. In her spare time, she enjoys hiking, rowing, traveling, spending weekends at her cabin or evenings at local restaurants with friends and family.



Alysa O'Keefe | 3L
Dalhousie University

Alysa was born and raised in Newfoundland, and is happy to be back in the St. John's office to resume her articles. She graduated in 2019 from Memorial University School of Music, with an Honours Degree in Vocal

Performance. While opera-singing might not have been the most obvious precursor to law school, she recently completed a Juris Doctor at Dalhousie University Schulich School of Law. During her final year, she competed in the 2022 Wilson Moot. She has been heavily involved with volunteer projects during law school and had the opportunity to work as a program coordinator for a collaborative project managed by Pro Bono Dalhousie, as well as the Halifax Regional Centre for Education and the Nova Scotia Department of Justice. This position gave Alysa the chance to work with high school students in the Halifax Metro area to deliver seminars and other educational opportunities related to work in various legal fields and broader policy issues affecting their communities. When she isn't at the office, you can usually find Alysa making pasta or testing out her newest cocktail recipe.



Lynn Sullivan | 3L
Dalhousie University

Lynn returns to Cox & Palmer to begin her second career with the firm as she graduates Schulich School of Law this spring. She is a CPA, CA and formerly held the role of Chief Operating Officer of the St. John's office. Lynn has a

varied background with experience in the oil & gas industry, government, and business ownership. She has, and continues to be, an active volunteer on boards including past board positions with the YMCA of Newfoundland and Labrador, Public Legal Information Association of NL, St. John's Board of Trade, and the Community Sector Council of NL. She was recently appointed to the board of Task Force NL, an agile group of business and community leaders focused on solutions to local challenges. When not at a hockey rink or dance performance for her children, Lynn can be found hiking the East Coast Trail or enjoying a meal and glass of wine at a local restaurant.