

## **EDITORS' PREFACE:**

### **THE OBLIGATION OF COUNSEL TO BOTH CLIENT AND COURT**

Each year, the *University of New Brunswick Law Journal* presents a Forum containing a selection of pieces on a topic of current legal interest. This year's topic is *Legal Ethics: the obligation of counsel to both client and court*, addressing potential conflicts arising from the divided loyalties of counsel.

The recent decision of *R. v. Murray* has brought this long-standing issue to the forefront in a widely publicized and sensational context. This case provided a base for several of the articles presented in the forum. However, many articles go beyond *R. v. Murray* and into other issues relating to legal ethics, such as ethical challenges to legal practice, ethics and mediation, ethics and child abuse reporting, and ethical issues presented to Crown Attorneys.

This Forum presents seven articles written from a variety of perspectives, offering practical, academic, and philosophic points of view. Each provides insight into the complex area of legal ethics.

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