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Commemorating the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation

September 30 is the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, a day to honour survivors of Canada's residential school system, remember the children who never returned home, and recognize the lasting impacts on Indigenous families and communities across the country.

Truth must come before reconciliation. For the Federation, an important part of that has been learning directly from Indigenous Peoples. Through the guidance of our Indigenous Advisory Council, and the knowledge shared by Elders and Indigenous leaders at our gatherings and through our work, we continue to deepen our understanding of the role the Federation can play in advancing reconciliation. We are grateful for that guidance and recognize our responsibility to listen, learn, and remain accountable to the commitments we have made.

Reconciliation requires sustained attention, relationships, and action. It asks more of us than acknowledging the past. It asks us to consider how what we learn shapes what we do next.

The Federation is committed to advancing national work where it can make a meaningful contribution, while recognizing this work must respect the distinct histories, experiences, and priorities of Indigenous Peoples across Canada.

On this National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, we encourage members of the legal profession to listen to and learn from Indigenous voices, reflect on the responsibilities that come with that learning, and consider how each of us can contribute to reconciliation through our own work.

Learn more about [the Federation's commitment](#) to truth and reconciliation and the work underway across Canada.

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The Federation is also the law societies' national and international voice on important issues related to the regulation and core values of the legal profession. For more information on the Federation, please visit our web site at www.flsc.ca.

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