

# Law and Surveying

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There we were relaxing and enjoying the festivities, confident that the next article for this column of the SURVEYOR wouldn't be required for a month or so — procrastinating as usual — when, *wham!* we receive word to submit the article by return mail. Bear with us if what you read appears a little ragged and not very profound.

In prior articles, the re-organization of the Legal Surveys Branch and the new approach to plan examination was outlined. By August of 1973, recruitment, training and installation of our regional surveyors were complete. Following is a list of the regional surveyors, the location of their resident offices, and the Land Registry Offices for which they examine all plans of lands registered under The Land Titles Act, or provide assistance to the Land Registrar for the examination of all surveys, plans and descriptions under The Registry Act. If you have any problems or questions relating to surveys, plans and descriptions, contact the appropriate services co-ordinator or submission analyst.

All plans to be registered under provisions of The Boundaries Act, The Certification of Titles Act, and The Condominium Act are to be submitted to our central office in Toronto. Generally speaking, plans of lands coming into Land Titles by a First Application will be submitted to Toronto, except for those Land Registry Offices which in the past have handled their own First Applications.

## LAND REGISTRY OFFICE AT

### AREA

#### EAST

(16 offices)

Napanee (No. 29)  
Belleville (No. 21)  
Kingston (No. 13)  
Picton (No. 47)  
Pembroke (No. 49)  
Perth (No. 27)  
Almonte (No. 26)  
Ottawa (No. 4)  
Ottawa (No. 5)  
Brockville (No. 28)  
Prescott (No. 15)  
Morrisburg (No. 8)  
Cornwall (No. 52)  
Russell (No. 50)  
Alexandria (No. 14)  
L'Original (No. 46)

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Services Co-Ordinator,  
Legal Surveys Branch,  
Land Registry Office,

67 Nicholas Street,  
Ottawa, Ontario K1N 7B9  
(Telephone 232-3791)

#### CENTRAL 1

(3 offices)

Toronto (No. 63)  
Toronto (No. 64)  
Toronto (No. 66)

Ray Scott, O.L.S.  
Submission Analyst,  
(Address and Telephone see  
Henry Roeser)

#### CENTRAL 2

(9 offices)

Arthur (No. 60)  
Orangeville (No. 7)  
Brampton (No. 43)  
Newmarket (No. 65)  
Whitby (No. 40)  
Bowmanville (No. 10)  
Port Hope (No. 9)  
Cobourg (No. 39)  
Colborne (No. 38)

Henry Roeser, O.L.S.  
Services Co-Ordinator,  
Ministry of Consumer and  
Commercial Relations,  
Legal Surveys Branch,  
100 Queen Street West,  
Toronto, Ontario M5H 2N4  
(Telephone 965-7548)

#### WEST

(20 offices)

Windsor (No. 12)  
Chatham (No. 24)  
Glencoe (No. 34)  
Sarnia (No. 25)  
London (No. 32)  
London (No. 33)  
St. Thomas (No. 11)  
Goderich (No. 22)  
Stratford (No. 44)  
Woodstock (No. 41)  
Simcoe (No. 37)  
Cayuga (No. 18)  
Welland (No. 59)  
St. Catharines (No. 30)  
Hamilton (No. 62)  
Brantford (No. 2)  
Cambridge (No. 67)  
Kitchener (No. 58)  
Guelph (No. 51)  
Milton (No. 20)

John Keating, O.L.S.  
Services Co-Ordinator,  
Legal Surveys Branch,  
Land Registry Office,  
50 King Street,  
London, Ontario N6A 1B9  
(Telephone 434-3444)

#### NORTH 1

(9 offices)

Owen Sound (No. 16)  
Walkerton (No. 3)  
Durham (No. 17)  
Barrie (No. 51)  
Lindsay (No. 57)  
Peterborough (No. 45)  
Parry Sound (No. 42)  
Bracebridge (No. 35)  
Minden (No. 19)

Craig Stewart, O.L.S.  
Submission Analyst,  
Legal Surveys Branch,  
Land Registry Office,  
15 Dominion Street,  
Bracebridge, Ontario P0B 1C0  
(Telephone 645-4415)

#### NORTH 2

(6 offices)

Sudbury (No. 53)  
Gore Bay (No. 31)  
Sault Ste. Marie (No. 1)  
Haileybury (No. 54)  
Cochrane (No. 6)

Bob Meisner, O.L.S.  
Submission Analyst,  
Legal Surveys Branch,  
Land Registry Office,  
P. O. Box 1240,  
Sudbury, Ontario P3E 4S7  
(Telephone 674-3151 Ext. 244)

North Bay (No. 36)  
District of Nipissing

Sam S. Mercer, O.L.S.  
Asst. Examiner of Surveys,  
514 Main Street West,  
North Bay, Ontario P1B 2V4  
(Telephone 474-2270)

#### NORTH 3

(3 offices)

Thunder Bay (No. 55)  
Kenora (No. 23)  
Fort Frances (No. 48)

Cam McKay, O.L.S.  
Submission Analyst,  
Legal Surveys Branch,  
Land Registry Office,  
29 Royston Court,  
Thunder Bay, Ontario P7A 4Y7  
(Telephone 344-6654)

The "submission analysis" approach to plan examination implemented by the Legal Surveys Branch and outlined in the April - May, 1973 issue of THE ONTARIO LAND SURVEYOR appears to be working well, if it can be judged on the small number of plans sent to Toronto for "in-depth" examination. The results are most gratifying to us and we trust that the turn-around period related to plan examination for those surveyors making good and complete submissions has improved or is satisfactory.

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We intend to test this new approach by making post-approval or post-registration "in-depth" examinations of various plans chosen at random.

The Special Services Section of the Legal Surveys Branch is responsible for in-house research.

One of the projects to be undertaken is an investigation and analysis resulting in recommendations as to plan storage and reproduction, including copies to the public, of all plans of record in the various Land Registry offices within the Province.

Of vital concern to surveyors is the form and speed at which copies of various recorded plans may be obtained. If you wish to offer suggestions or constructive criticism, please forward comments to this Branch, attention Special Services Section.

The Land Titles office in Toronto has just installed a Xerox 840 plan copier which should greatly improve the service provided by that office.