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1. Mandatory electronic land registration coming to Kenora

Effective Thursday, February 23, 2006, most land registrations for the Kenora Land Registry Office must be submitted electronically. Paper documents will no longer be accepted for the majority of registrations. For more information see the Teraview website at http://www.teraview.ca/newsletters/Dec05-Iss-03-Kenora_2nd_Reg_Announcement.pdf or call Linda McGeachy, Land Registrar, Kenora at 807-468-2794.

2. Fiduciary duties of committees

In *Todosichuk v Daviduik*, the Manitoba Court of Appeal reviewed and restated the general principles of the fiduciary duties of a committee and the remedies available for a breach of those duties. Read the decision on CANLII at:

<http://www.canlii.org/mb/cas/mbca/2004/2004mbca191.html>. Leave to appeal to the Supreme Court of Canada was refused on November 10, 2005. Read an article by Peter J. Glowacki of Thompson Dorfman Sweatman on the case at: <http://www.tdslaw.com/cgi/commander3.cgi?pfl=pub-display.param&rf1=19>.

3. Defining a joint account

Several recent out-of-province appellate decisions have looked at the question of when a joint account is really a joint account with rights of survivorship. Take a look at:

- Pecore v Pecore (Ont. C.A.) <http://www.canlii.org/on/cas/onca/2005/2005onca10597.html>
- Saylor v Madsen Estate (Ont. C.A.)
<http://www.canlii.org/on/cas/onca/2005/2005onca10741.html>
- Comeau v Gregoire (N.S.C.A.) <http://www.canlii.org/ns/cas/nsca/2005/2005nsca135.html>
- Cooke v Miller (Estate) (B.C.C.A.)
<http://www.canlii.org/bc/cas/bcca/2005/2005bcca263.html>

See also the January 2006 issue of the Manitoba Bar Association's *Headnotes & Footnotes* for an article discussing the Saylor decision. .

4. Manitoba's new Planning Act

Don't forget that *The Planning Act* took effect on January 1, 2006. Take a look at the Act at <http://web2.gov.mb.ca/laws/statutes/2005/c03005e.php>. For a detailed overview of the Act, order the materials from *Municipal Law Update*, The Law Society's October 18, 2005 CLE program at:

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