

**PRIVACY LAW SECTION REPORT**

**CBA-NB COUNCIL MEETING**

**February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2009**

**CARAQUET, NEW BRUNSWICK**

The Privacy Law Section of the CBA-New Brunswick Branch held a CLE session in Fredericton on October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2008 on Bill 82, *Access to Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. The key-note speaker for this session was Brian Bowman of Pitblado, LLP in Manitoba. Mr. Bowman spoke of the Manitoba experience with such legislation, as the Bill was modeled after Manitoba's public-sector privacy and access statute. Other speakers at this session were Heather Hobart, Co-chair of the section and lawyer with Legal Services Branch, Office of the Attorney General, who provided an overview of the Bill, and Daniel McHardie, a journalist who has experience with right to information requests. The session was chaired by Elizabeth (Betsy) Kelly, co-chair of the Section and a lawyer with Cox and Palmer in Fredericton. The session was very informative and well-attended.

Respectfully submitted by Elizabeth (Betsy) A. Kelly, Privacy Law Section Co-chair with Heather Hobart, CBA New Brunswick Branch.