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County of Carleton Law Association

The County of Carleton Law Association / Association du barreau du comté de Carleton (CCLA / ABCC) is a not-for-profit professional association for those engaged in the practice of law in Ottawa. Formed in 1888 by a group of 60 lawyers, the CCLA/ABCC is now the second largest local law association in Ontario and counts lawyers, paralegals, the judiciary, and law students among its members. The CCLA/ABCC was originally created to provide a law library to its members, a service which continues to the present day at the Gordon F. Henderson Library in the Ottawa Courthouse. Additionally, the CCLA/ABCC has become a leading organization in the legal profession, committed to providing advocacy, legal education, and guidance to its members and other legal practitioners.

The CCLA/ABCC has a long history of giving back to the Ottawa community, particularly through the Courthouse Food Bank Drive in support of the Ottawa Food Bank, and to many community charities through the Annual CCLA/Great Canadian Theatre Company Lawyer Play fundraiser, which in 2021 celebrated its 21st year. The CCLA/ABCC is also delighted to support many other fundraising and charitable initiatives within the legal community through providing in-kind promotional support. Among these worthy causes, the CCLA/ABCC has supported the Ottawa Courthouse Angels toy drive for the Children's Aid Society of Ottawa, Lawyers Feed the Hungry, LawzFest/Rockable Hours in support of the Ottawa Food Bank, and Barristers for a Better Bytown.