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What's New in this Update

This release features updates to Chapter 10 (Evidence Act), Chapter 11 (Family Law Act), Chapter 13 (Land Titles Act), Chapter 15 (Mental Health Act), Chapter 18 (Rules of Civil Procedure), Appendix A (Related Legislation), Appendix WPJ (Words and Phrases) and Appendix WPL (Terms Legislatively Defined).

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Highlights

WORDS AND PHRASES - CONSTRUCTIVE TRUST - A constructive trust is a form of equitable relief that is imposed specifically to prevent windfalls from occurring...

Caroti v. Vuletic (2024), 2024 ONSC 6776, 2024 CarswellOnt 19162 (Ont. S.C.J.) at para. 99 Doi J.

WORDS AND PHRASES – PURCHASE MONEY RESULTING TRUST – A purchase money trust is a type of gratuitous transfer resulting trust, which arises when a person advances funds to contribute to the purchase price of the property, but does not take legal title to that property.

May v. Alsousi et al. (2025), 2025 ONSC 795, 2025 CarswellOnt 2213 (Ont. S.C.J.) at para. 25 Flaherty J.

SMALL ESTATE – "small estate" means an estate that does not exceed the amount prescribed by regulations made under subsection (2). *Estates Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. E.21, s. 1(1)