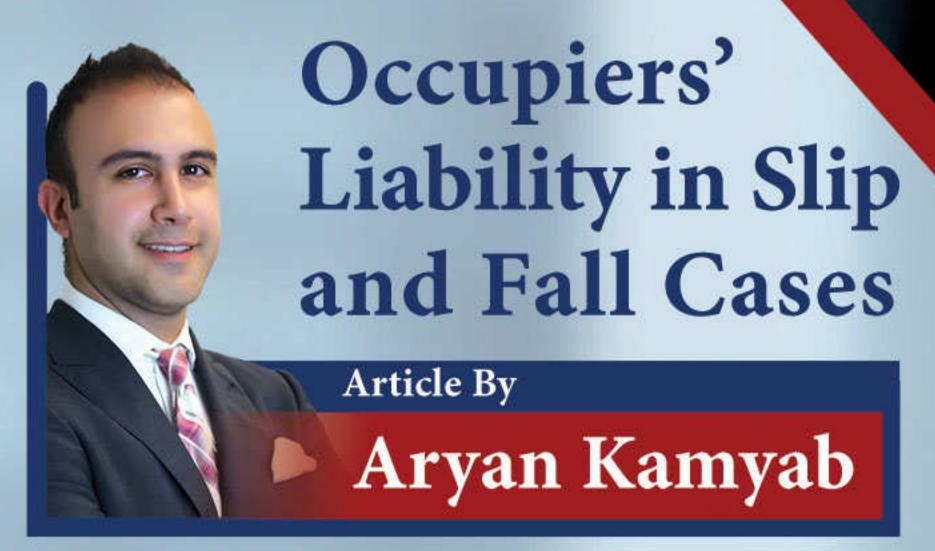


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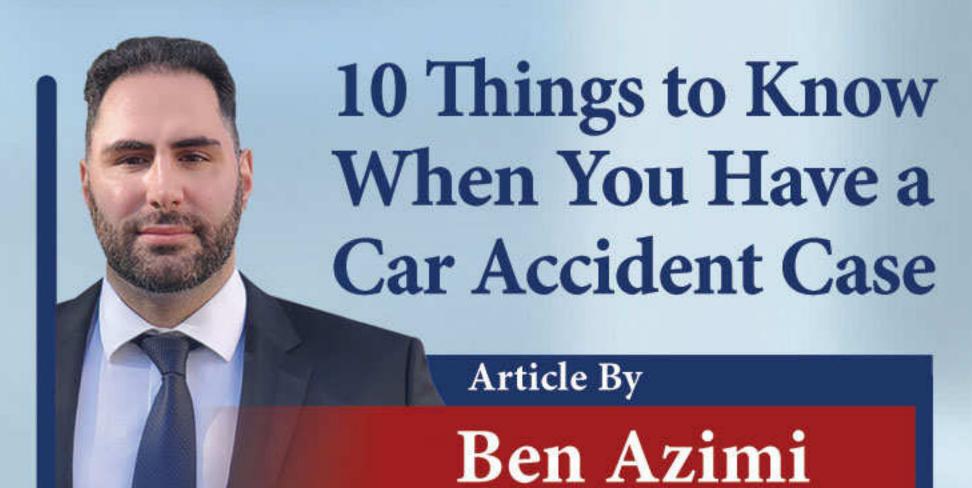
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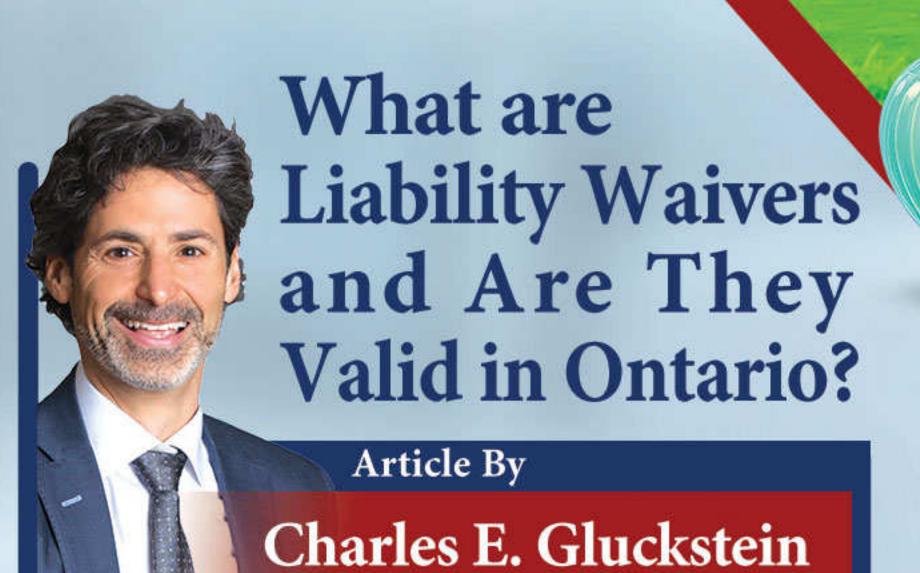


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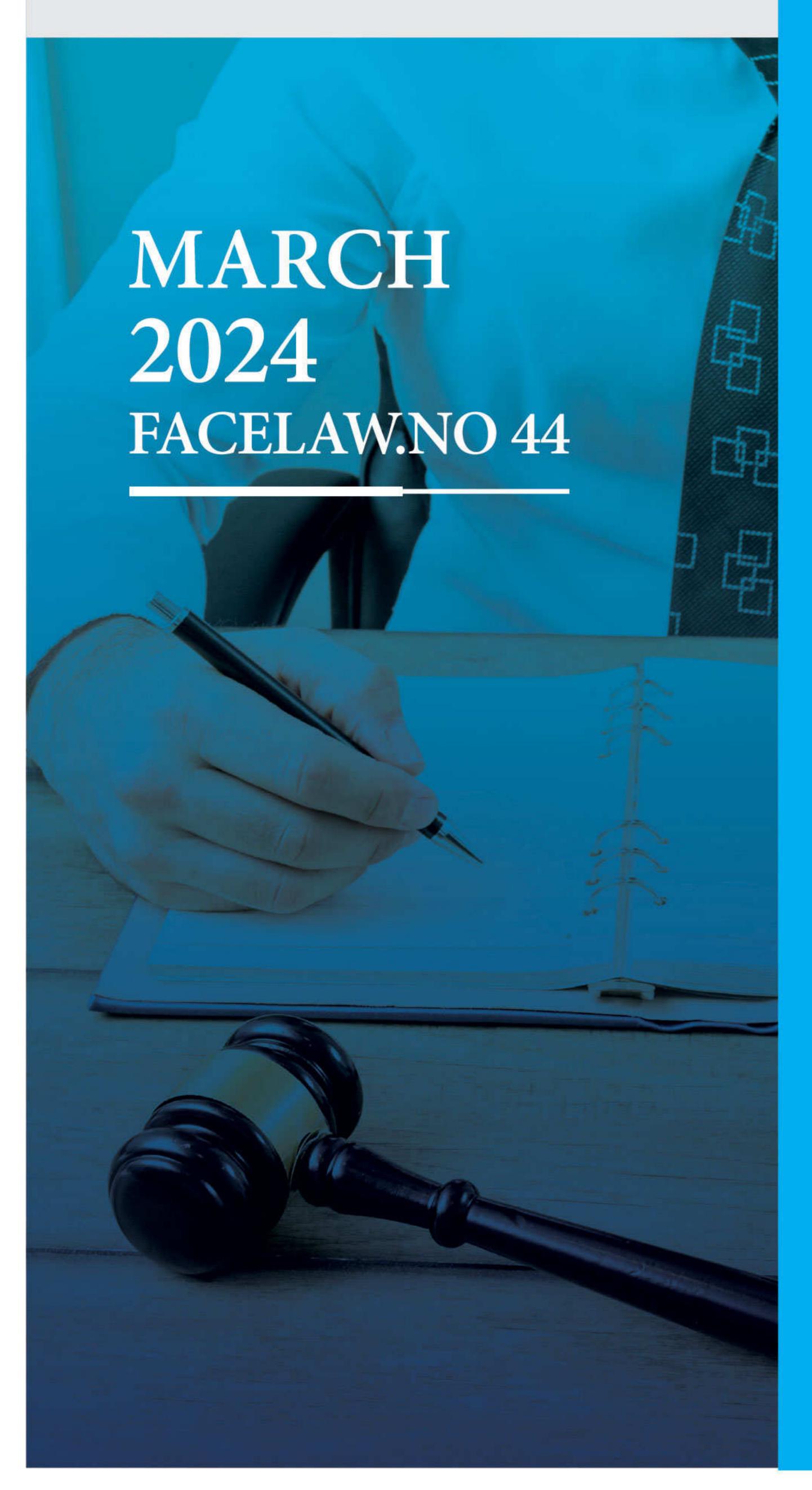
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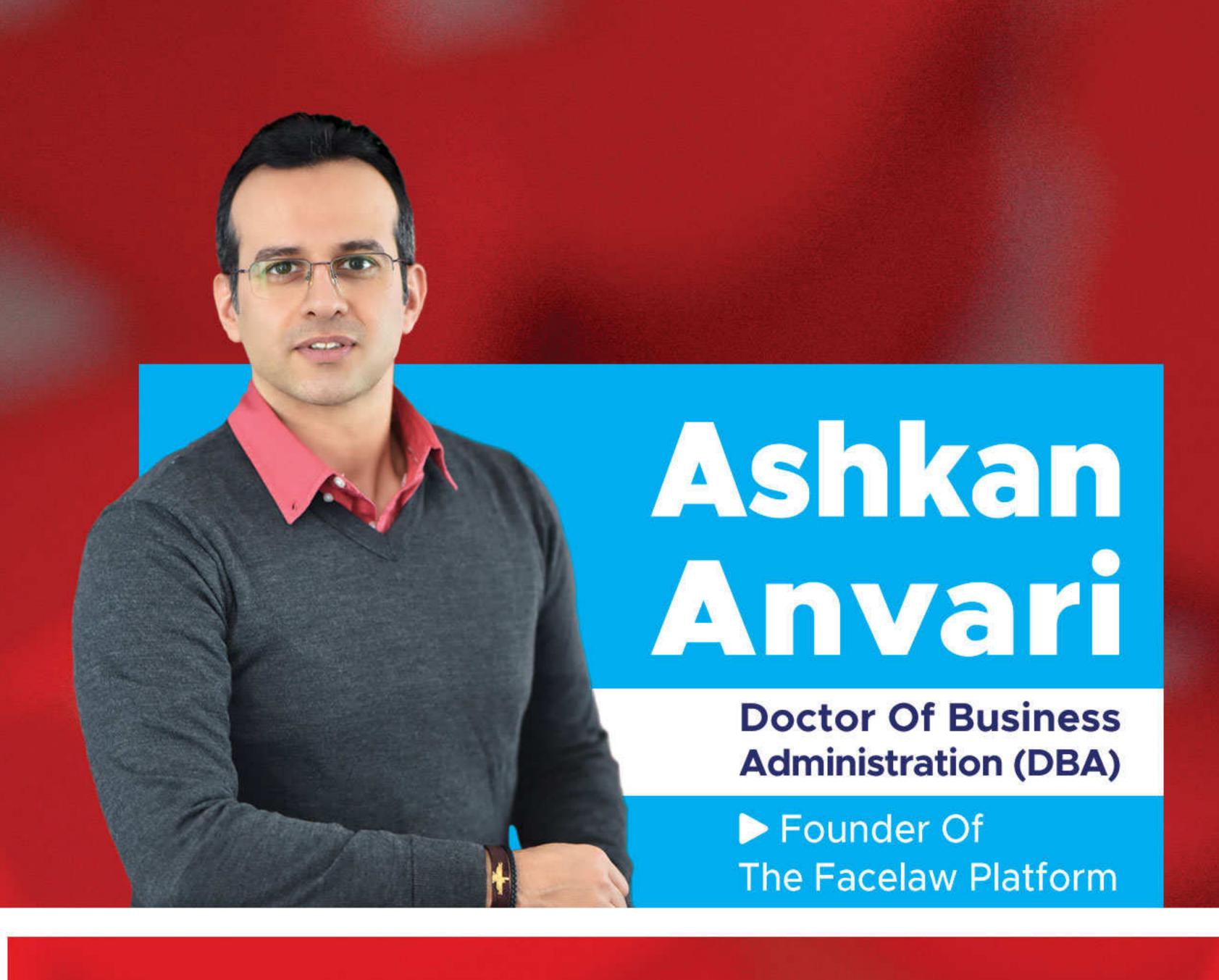
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# Occupiers' Liability in Slip and Fall Cases

#### Introduction

IThe Occupiers' Liability Act in Ontario protects individuals from slip and falls while on commercial property, residential property, and on municipal lands. But how safe does a property need to be? Who is at fault? And when should an injured person seek legal advice? The following will help answer these critical questions.

# Who is responsible for ensuring a safe environment?

The law imposes a duty on an "occupier" of a property to ensure that individuals who enter or use the premises are "reasonably" safe. Property owners or renters, as well as municipalities, are defined as occupiers and are responsible for ensuring a safe environment. This duty extends to commercial properties (malls, grocery stores, parking lots, etc.), residential properties (private backyards, driveways, etc.) and municipal properties (public parks, roads, etc.).

## Injured while on someone else's property?

If you are injured while on commercial, residential, or municipal property, the question will be whether or not the property was safe for individuals. The standard of safety that is required is reasonableness, not perfection. This

means that the occupier is not expected to remove every possible threat of danger. Rather, they are expected to take "reasonable" steps to ensure that the property is "reasonably" safe.

# What is reasonable?

Determining reasonability will depend on the circumstances of each incident. For example, it is reasonable that a piece of food might fall to the floor of a grocery store at some point during the day, but it is unreasonable for the piece of food to remain on the floor all day. Suppose a customer drops a cherry on the ground and 30 seconds later another customer slips and falls on the cherry. It will be difficult to prove liability because there was nothing that the grocery store could have "reasonably" done in time to prevent the fall. However, if the cherry remained on the floor for two hours before causing an injury, it will be easier to prove liability because there was a "reasonable" amount of time for the store to remove the cherry.

# Anything can cause an injury

The victim should not be concerned with the level of danger posed by the occupier. For example, if the victim slips on a cherry in a grocery store, the grocery store cannot argue that a single cherry is not dangerous. If a single

cherry caused the victim to fall, then it does not matter whether or not a single cherry is dangerous; all that matters is that the cherry caused the fall. The next challenge will be to determine whether the grocery store took "reasonable steps" to prevent the cherry from being on the floor in the first place, such as regular sweeping of the floors.

# What is reasonable?

An occupier must ensure that the property is kept reasonably safe for all people, regardless of age, strength, or ability. An occupier will not be able to argue that the person fell because of their age or because they required the use of a cane. If the property is not safe for everyone, then the occupier may face liability. It is important that victims not blame themselves because of their age or strength before first seeking legal advice.

## Can someone other than the occupier be liable?

An occupier may satisfy its duty to ensure a safe environment by hiring a third party, such as a cleaning service or a security guard. For example, suppose a person slips and falls on a puddle of water in a mall. If the mall hired a cleaning service or a security guard to ensure that the premises is reasonably safe, then the duty will fall on the third party. It is very important to determine whether there is a third party involved as soon as possible.

# What if the victim was responsible for the fall?

The victim of the fall may be partly responsible for the incident, and the occupier may attempt to prove that the victim helped cause their own injuries. For example, if the victim was behaving carelessly at the time of the incident, this could result in the occupier only being responsible for a portion of the damages. Listed below are some common examples where the victim may be partly responsible for their injuries in slip and fall cases:

- Voluntary assumption of risk: if the victim sees water on the floor and decides to walk on the water instead of going around.
- Footwear: if the victim was wearing high heels (rather than winter boots) while crossing an icy parking lot.
- Behaviour of the victim: if the victim was running, texting or distracted in any way.
- State of the victim: if the victim was drinking alcohol or was impaired in any way.

These factors will be important to remember and disclose when a victim is seeking legal advice.

# What does the occupier owe a victim if they are found liable?

If found liable, the occupier will be required to reimburse the victim for any damages that occurred as a result of the accident, including loss of ability to work and earn wages, pain and suffering, medical expenses, or property damage. It is important that the victim collect any medical evidence of the injury, proof of property damage, or proof of how the injury interfered with their life. These will be considered when assessing the cost of damages.





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# How to Sell a Matrimonial Home During Separation and Divorce

# **Matrimonial Home**

A matrimonial home is a property which is owned by one or both married spouses and ordinarily occupied by them at the date when the parties separate. There can be more than one matrimonial home, for example, a cottage in Muskoka or vacation house in Florida.

# **A** Separation & Divorce

A "separation" is when the spouses are living separate, and the relationship has ended with no prospect of reconciliation. A "divorce" is when a court legally ends a marriage by issuing a divorce Order.

# **A**Property Division

In Ontario, the property division provisions of the Family Law Act are triggered during separation and divorce, for married spouses. Spouses who are going through separation and divorce must divide their

marital assets and sell property. Neither spouse can rent, sell or mortgage the matrimonial home without the other spouse's permission. A spouse can designate a home as their matrimonial home and register that designation with the land registry office.

The matrimonial home is treated differently when dividing assets on separation. If a spouse brings a home with them into the marriage and that home becomes the family residence, then the law deems it to be the matrimonial home, even though that spouse held title and was the home's registered owner prior to marriage.

Under the Family Law Act, the full value of a matrimonial home must be shared upon separation. This forms an exception to the normal rule that applies to the division of other matrimonial property that on separation each spouse is entitled to deduct the marriage date value of any property he or she brought into the marriage.

# **A Selling Through Court Order**

A matrimonial home can only be sold if both spouses consent. Courts can order partition and sale of the matrimonial home when one spouse unreasonably frustrates the process or withholds their consent. To avoid the sell of a matrimonial home, the opposing spouse must establish that prejudice would result if the home were to be sold. Whenever a court is to make an Order that deprives one spouse of his or her rights or interest in the matrimonial home, the court will consider various factors.

If a court is considering making an Order giving one spouse exclusive possession of the matrimonial home, the court is obliged under the Family Law Act to consider the following:

- The best interests of the children who may be impacted by the order;
- Any existing court Orders, including existing Orders for support;
- The financial position of both spouses;
- Any written agreement between the parties; and
- Any violence committed by a spouse against the other spouse or children.

# Listing and Sell by a Realtor

You and your spouse need to retain a realtor to list and sale the property by preparing a:

- **66** Listing Agreement
- 66 Setting the Listing Price
- 66 Preparing the Home for Sale
- 66 Accepting an Offer
- 66 Setting the Closing Date
- 66 Selecting the Real Estate Lawyer
- 66 Deciding what to do with the Sale Proceeds

If the separated spouses wish to retain separate realtors and enter into a co listing agreement, then the following issues need to be decided:

- 66 Which brokerage will be the listing brokerage?
- 66 What price will the home be listed at?
- 66 Who will prepare the home for sale?
- 66 What listing strategy will obtain the best results for the sellers?
- 66 What is the ideal closing date?
- 66 What is the best method of communication for all parties?

The listing and sale of a matrimonial home is a process which requires legal advice from divorce and family lawyers.

Contact our office for a consultation on your rights and obligations in relation to your separation and divorce.





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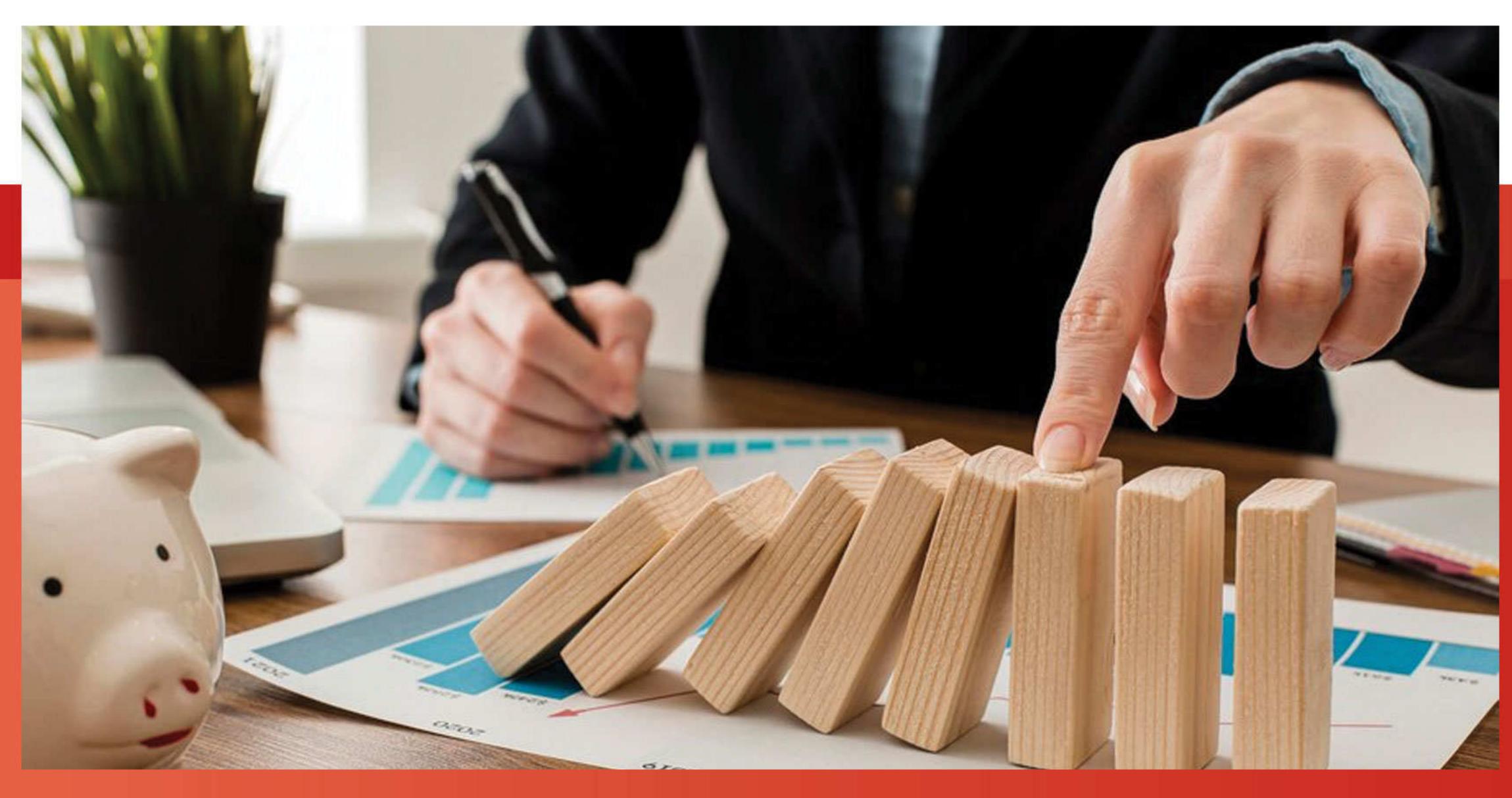
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# What are liability waivers and are they valid in Ontario?

If you take part in activities that present risk downhill skiing, axe throwing, or even regular sports at a community centre you will likely be asked to sign a liability waiver. But if you were injured during the activity, would the waiver be legally valid? It generally is. As the Ontario Superior Court of Justice has ruled, "[if] the plaintiff chose to sign the form and ignore the consequences, that was a decision freely made by the plaintiff." The language used in waivers must clearly refer to the circumstances where an injury may arise. For example, a liability waiver at a ski hill must state that you are responsible for any injury that happens on the slopes, on the lifts, in the locker rooms, etc. The person or facility presenting the waiver must also take reasonable steps to bring the extent of the liability you are accepting to your attention and it must be written in clear language.



To understand when liability waivers may not be valid, let's go back to the ski hill example. The waiver you signed released management of any liability for injury on the slopes. But as you start to descend you encounter objects in your path that should not be there, such as grooming tools left by the hill's maintenance crew.

If you crash and are injured because of these objects, it is reasonable to argue that that liability waiver should not be enforceable and stop you from suing for the pain and suffering you have endured. Courts have allowed some exceptions to the scope of liability waivers. In 2020, an Ontario Superior Court of Justice case involved an indoor trampoline park where a man had "signed a purported electronic waiver document" at a computer kiosk upon entry, according to court documents.

Once inside, he attempted to land a back flip, landed hard on his head and suffered serious injuries including a vertebra fracture that required surgery. He sued the park, alleging it had failed to ensure a safe environment for patrons as demanded by the Occupiers' Liability Act. The park moved for a summary judgment to have the action dismissed, maintaining that the electronic waiver he signed was valid and enforceable. The judge ruled against the request for dismissal, stating "there is a genuine issue requiring a trial, namely, whether [the park] took reasonable steps to bring the terms of the waiver to [the man's] attention. The court added, "Surely, the mere fact that there was a waiver requirement cannot, in law, constitute reasonable steps to bring the terms of the waiver to the attention of the participant." The judgment explained that liability waivers are generally not enforceable on three occasions:

- Where the circumstances establish non est factum, meaning that the signature on the wavier was not truly the act of the plaintiff.
- Where the plaintiff's signature was induced by fraud or misrepresentation.
- Where the defendant knew or ought to have known that the plaintiff did not intend to be bound by the waiver and, therefore, the defendant had a duty to bring the terms of the waiver to the plaintiff's attention.

To determine whether an exception applies to the case at hand a court will consider several factors. They include the length of the liability waiver, as no one can be expected to read pages and pages of a document when they are eager to take part in the activity at hand. Other factors include the length of time the participant was provided to read the waiver, if there was a language barrier that prevented the participant from understanding the contents of the waiver or if the signatory lacked the capacity to sign the document. Liability waivers are also not enforceable if the injury or accident falls outside the defined scope of the waiver. To go back again to the ski hill example, a waiver releases management from liability for general injuries that occur on the slopes. But if you are injured in the ski hill's parking lot due to poor maintenance or a structural issue, that will not be covered by the waiver and a legal action can be considered. If you have been injured at any business that required you to first sign a liability waiver, you may have a personal injury claim.





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# Maximizing Your Legacy

# The Advantages of Implementing a Secondary Will

Introduction A common query often posed to wills and estate lawyers is, "How can I minimize government taxes on my estate?" While the proper answer often depends on the circumstances of the client, a potential strategy for many individuals is the creation of a Secondary Will. This additional legal document, which works in conjunction with the Primary Will, can offer significant benefits by effectively separating assets that are subject to and require the formal probate process from those that are not.

Understanding Secondary Wills | A Secondary Will, as the name implies, is a supplementary document that complements the Primary Will. The Primary Will specifically addresses only those assets requiring the probate process before they can be administered, while the Secondary Will governs those assets that can be administered without the need for probate. This strategic estate planning approach allows for the payment of Estate Administration Tax ("EAT") exclusively on assets governed by the Primary Will, resulting in potential substantial tax savings for the estate.

**Probate and Estate Administration Tax** Upon one's demise, the assets owned at that time collectively form the Estate of the deceased.

Probate is the procedure to apply and ask the court to either | give a person the authority to act as the estate trustee of an estate, confirm the authority of a person named as the estate trustee in the deceased's will and, formally approve that the deceased's will as their valid last will. Probate, is typically required for assets such as real estate, bank accounts, and investments. EAT, calculated at 1.5% of the total estate value (with exemptions for the initial \$50,000 of the estate), is incurred only when probate is necessary. Notably, assets like jointly held properties and applicable plans and policies (e.g. RRSP's, RRIF's, life insurance) with designated beneficiaries generally bypass probate.

The Challenge | Certain assets, such as shares in private corporations do not require probate. However, if even one estate asset necessitates probate, EAT is applied to the entire estate value, including exempt assets. A Secondary Will effectively addresses this issue by segregating non probate assets, leading to a reduced taxable estate value.

Tax Savings Example | Consider an estate with a home valued at \$750,000, a bank account with \$200,000, and shares in a private corporation valued at \$1,000,000. In the event that the deceased only had a Primary Will, the ETA payable on the value of the assets would be \$28,500. With a Secondary Will, EAT applies only to the probate required assets, being the home and the bank account, resulting in \$15,000

in tax savings compared to a scenario with only a Primary Will, as the value of the shares in the private corporation are not included in the value of the estate under the Primary Will.

#### Additional Benefits of Secondary Wills:

Real Estate outside of Canada: Multiple wills can be advantageous when owning foreign property, streamlining the estate administration process, allowing you to tailor your Secondary Will to conform with the laws of the applicable foreign jurisdiction.

#### Real Estate (First Dealings Exemption):

A Secondary Will can waive probate requirements for certain Ontario properties being dealt with for the first time since being converted to the Land Titles System from the old Registry System.

Confidentiality: Secondary Wills can protect the privacy of assets and beneficiaries, as probated wills become public records, and the Secondary Will is not.

Other Valuable Assets: Expensive non probate assets, like jewelry, and artwork can be excluded from EAT calculations by incorporating them into a Secondary Will, as these assets do not require probate to be transferred.

Conclusion While tax savings are a primary advantage of implementing multiple wills, preparing a Secondary Wills offers a range of other benefits, including streamlined estate administration, confidentiality, and the exclusion of certain valuable assets from taxation. Consultation with an estate lawyer is recommended to tailor this strategy to individual estate planning objectives.

#### A common question wills/estate lawyers are asked is

what can I do to minimize paying the government taxes? There is no one size fits all answer, but for many individuals, preparing a Secondary Will is a great option. A Secondary Will is exactly what it sounds like it is a second Will, which works in tandem with a first Will (often called the "Primary Will") to separate the assets that require probate, from those that do not.

One Will (the Primary Will) covers only the assets that require probate, whereas the other Will (the Secondary Will) is not submitted for probate and governs only the assets that can be administered without probate.

When used properly, this estate planning strategy means that Estate Administration Tax ("EAT") is paid only on the assets governed by the Primary Will, and not on the assets governed by the Secondary Will. The tax savings can be quite sizable.



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Introduce yourself and tell us more about the areas of your practice.

My name is Ali Ahmari Moghaddam, and I am a dedicated lawyer practicing in the vibrant City of Toronto. With a diverse background and expertise, my practice areas encompass Real Estate, Wills and Estates, Corporate Law, and Family Law. Through years of experience and continuous learning, I have developed a comprehensive understanding of each of these legal domains, allowing me to provide tailored and effective solutions to my clients' diverse needs. Whether it's assisting families with estate planning, guiding businesses through complex corporate matters, or helping individuals navigate immigration issues, I am committed to delivering high quality legal services with integrity and professionalism.

My journey into the legal profession was fueled by a deep seated passion for justice, advocacy, and problem solving. Since childhood, I've been drawn to the idea of using the law as a tool to help others and make a positive impact in my community. This innate desire, coupled with my fascination with the intricacies of law and politics, inspired me to pursue a career in law. I saw the legal profession as a means to uphold fairness, protect rights, and advocate for those in need, driving me to embark on a path dedicated to serving others through the practice of law.



What inspired you to pursue a career in law?



# What is your competitive advantage in your field of practice?

One of my primary competitive advantages in my field of practice is my ability to offer a holistic approach to legal representation. I have experience across multiple disciplines, including real estate, commercial transactions, family law, and immigration. This unique skill set allows me to provide comprehensive solutions to my clients' diverse legal needs under one roof. Additionally, my dedication to staying abreast of legal developments and leveraging technology in my practice ensures efficiency, accuracy, and cost effectiveness for my clients, setting me apart from others in the field.



# Where do you see yourself in 5 years?

In the next five years, I envision my firm expanding its presence and establishing offices in the Durham region to better serve the needs of our growing clientele. I aim to further diversify and expand our areas of practice, potentially branching into areas such as immigration law. Additionally, I aspire to become a trusted authority in my field, contributing thought leadership through publications, speaking engagements, and community involvement. Ultimately, my goal is to continue providing exceptional legal services while fostering meaningful relationships with clients and colleagues alike.



Share one of your memorable experiences practicing as a lawyer.

One of the most memorable experiences in my legal career was successfully negotiating a complex real estate transaction involving multiple parties and tight deadlines. Despite facing numerous challenges and obstacles, including coordinating with various stakeholders and addressing unforeseen legal issues, my team and I were able to navigate the transaction with precision and professionalism. Witnessing the satisfaction and relief on our clients' faces upon the successful completion of the deal reaffirmed the value of our hard work and dedication to delivering exceptional legal services.



# Share one of the important cases you were involved in, and how you changed the outcome to your client's advantage?

One crucial case I handled involved a client facing imminent power of sale process due to defaulting on their mortgage payments. The situation was urgent, and our primary objective was to stop the power of sale and prevent the loss of the client's home. Through swift and strategic action, we negotiated with the lenders to obtain a payout statement.

Our negotiation efforts were successful in reducing the discharge fee, legal fees, and other ancillary charges associated with the mortgages. This allowed us to structure a viable refinance plan, enabling us to discharge the current defaulted mortgages. As a result, we were able to save our client's home from power of sale process and provide them with a second chance at financial stability.



How do you use information technology and digital tools in your legal profession?

The outcome of this case was transformative for our client, as they were able to retain ownership of their home and avoid the devastating consequences of power of sale. Our proactive approach and diligent advocacy not only secured a favorable outcome but also provided our client with peace of mind and a fresh start. It was a rewarding experience to see the tangible impact of our efforts on our client's life and reaffirmed our commitment to delivering exceptional legal representation.

In my legal practice, we leverage information technology and digital tools extensively to streamline processes, enhance efficiency, and improve client service. From utilizing legal research databases to conducting due diligence and document automation, technology plays a vital role in every aspect of our practice. By embracing technology, we are able to stay ahead of the curve, deliver superior results, and provide cost–effective solutions to our clients.

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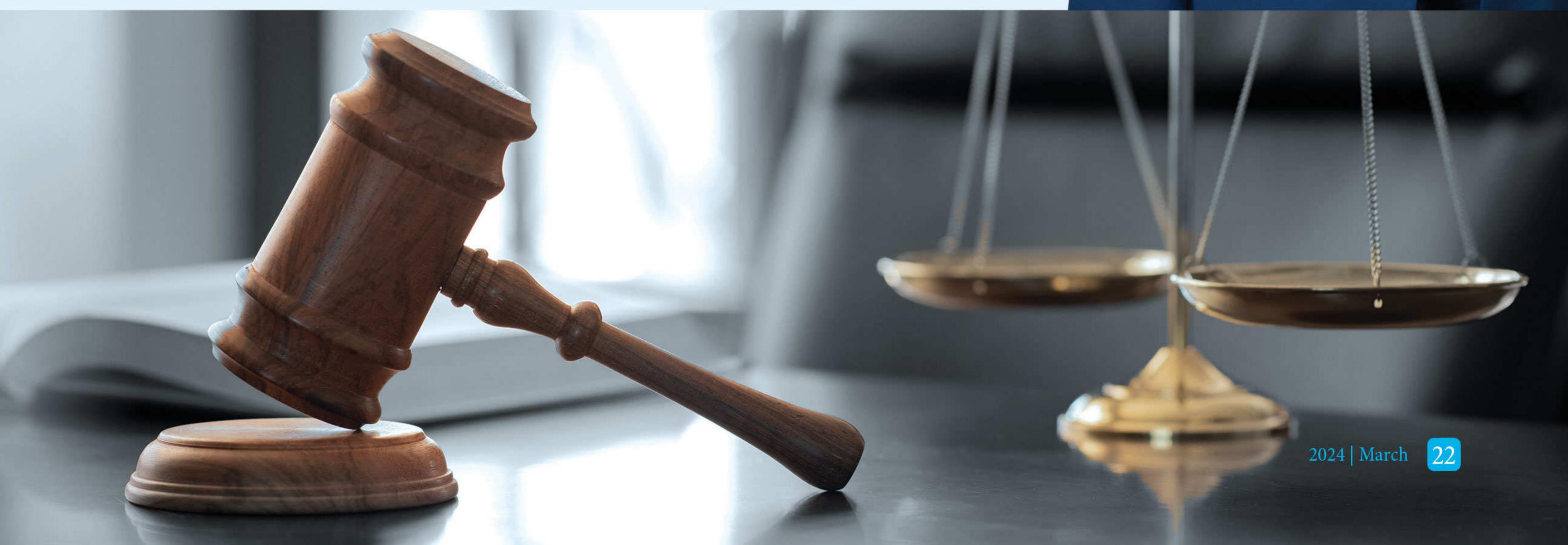
# In what ways do you support or give back to your local community?

I am deeply committed to giving back to my local community through various initiatives and outreach efforts. I regularly volunteer my time to mentor aspiring law students and young lawyers, sharing insights and guidance to help them succeed in their legal careers. Furthermore, I regularly engage in community outreach programs, such as hosting educational seminars and workshops on legal rights and responsibilities, aimed at empowering individuals with knowledge and resources to navigate legal challenges effectively.



# What are your hobbies and what do you enjoy doing in your spare time?

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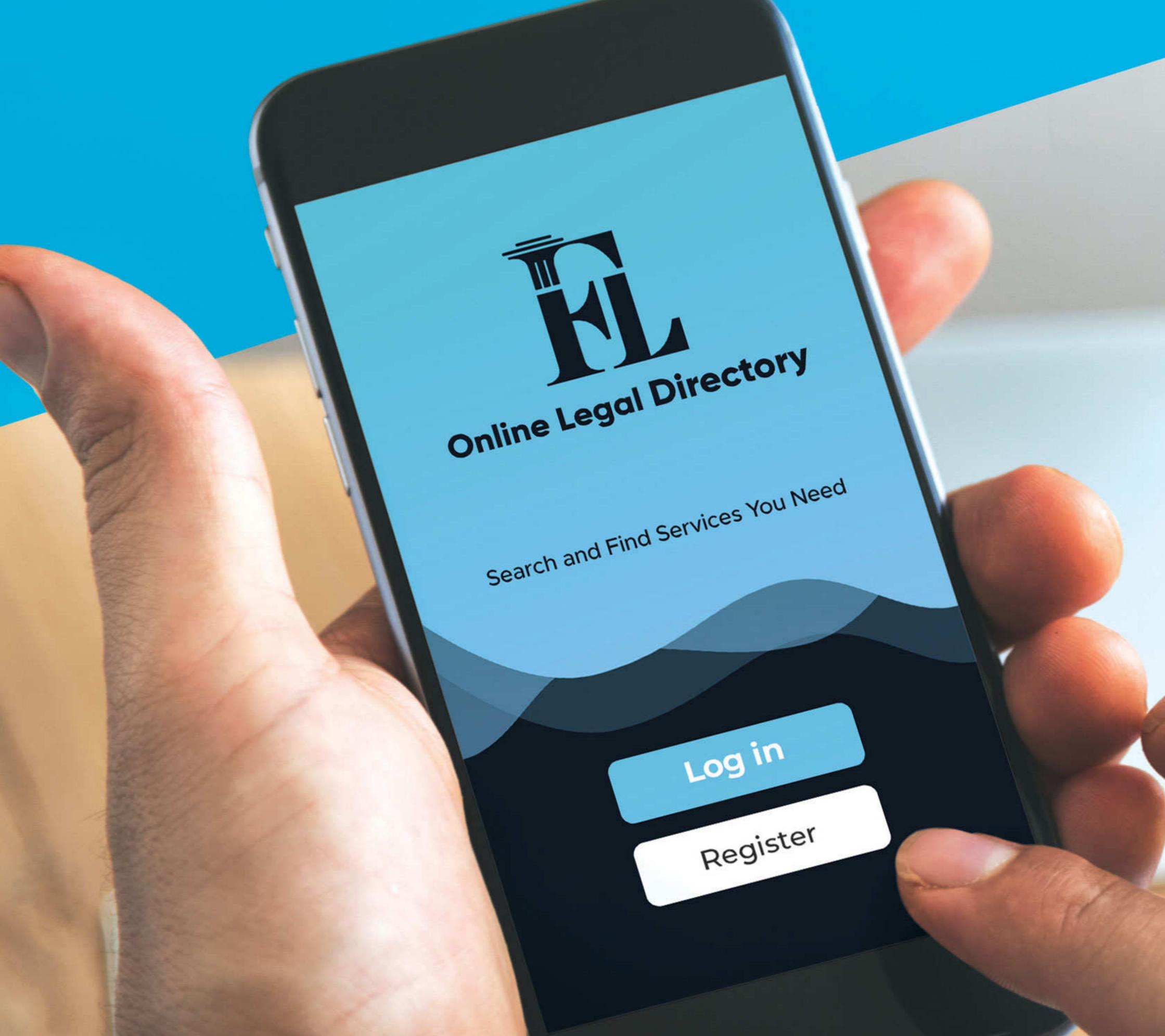
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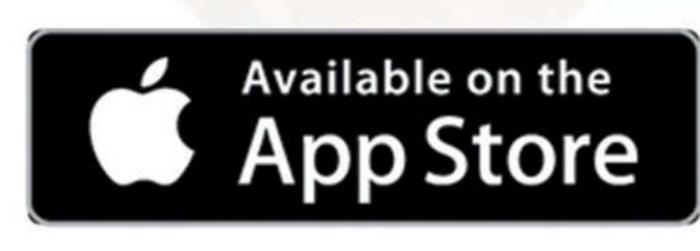
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He is the author of several articles on matters pertaining to Public International Law, Dubai Property, Arbitration Law, and Canada Immigration Law.

Mr. Yazdani is the only lawyer in Canada with an immigration consultant diploma and three law degrees. His high-profile and celebrated cases have attracted international attention, and he is frequently consulted as an immigration expert by journalists, government and non-governmental organizations (NGOs) on matters pertaining to immigration law and policy. He recently was a television host in a biweekly show known as "Canadian Immigration from Law's Point of View".

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Afshin Yazdani is a skilled advocate, trusted advisor, international barrister and solicitor with more than 20 years experience in the legal field. His career has taken him to great heights from being a law professor in Iran and the United Arab Emirates to growing Canada's largest Iranian-Canadian immigration law firm. After a six year stint in Dubai, UAE, Yazdani immigrated to Canada in 2012, where he received an immigration consulting diploma in Montreal in 2013.

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After completing his postgraduate studies in Canadian Common Law at Osgcode Hall Law School and Ryerson Universities in 2018, he identified a need to represent the new generation of young, ambitious, individuals and entrepreneurs to realise their dreams in Canada and hence the concept of Yazdani Law Group (YLG) was born in 2019.

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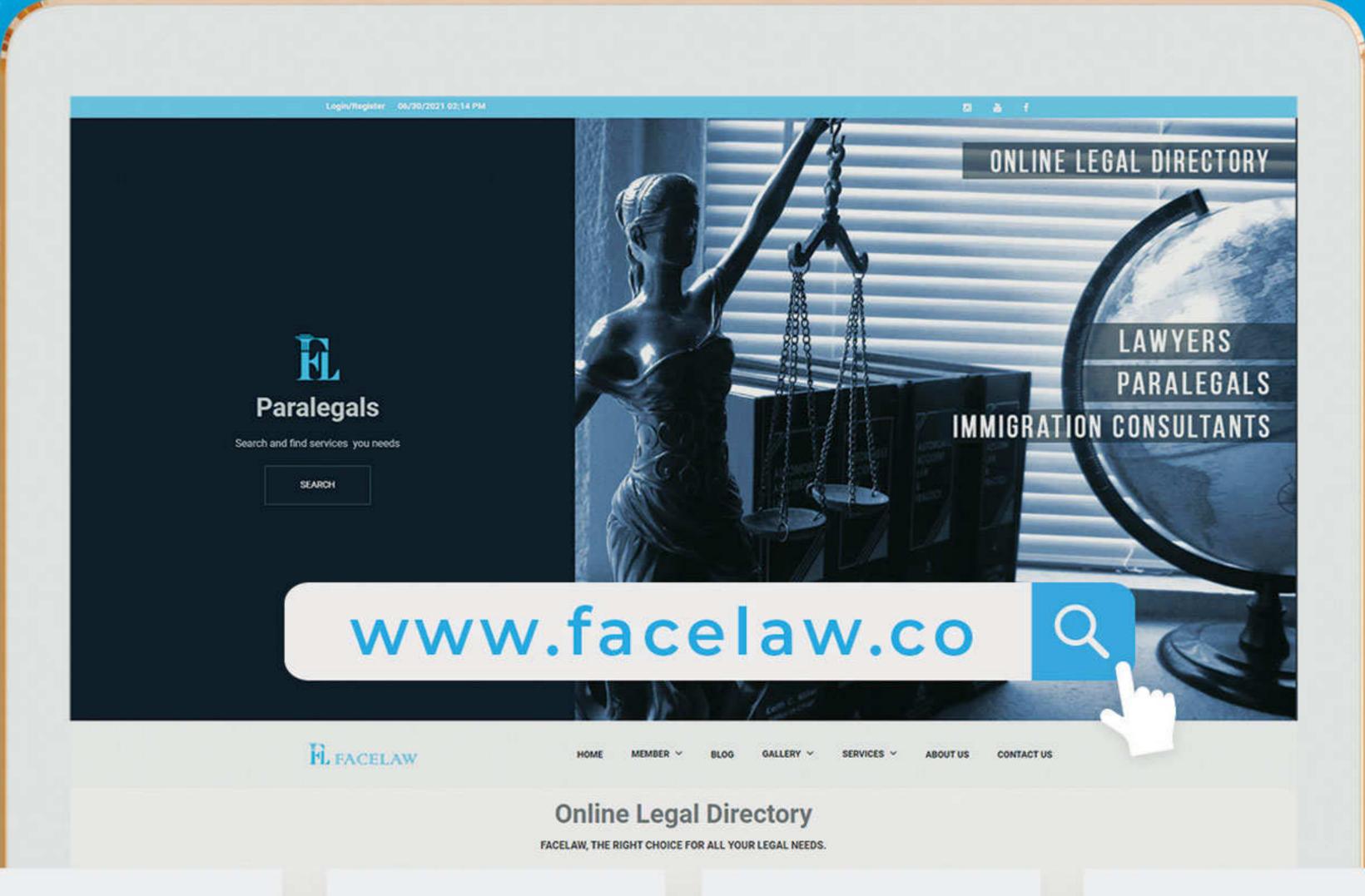
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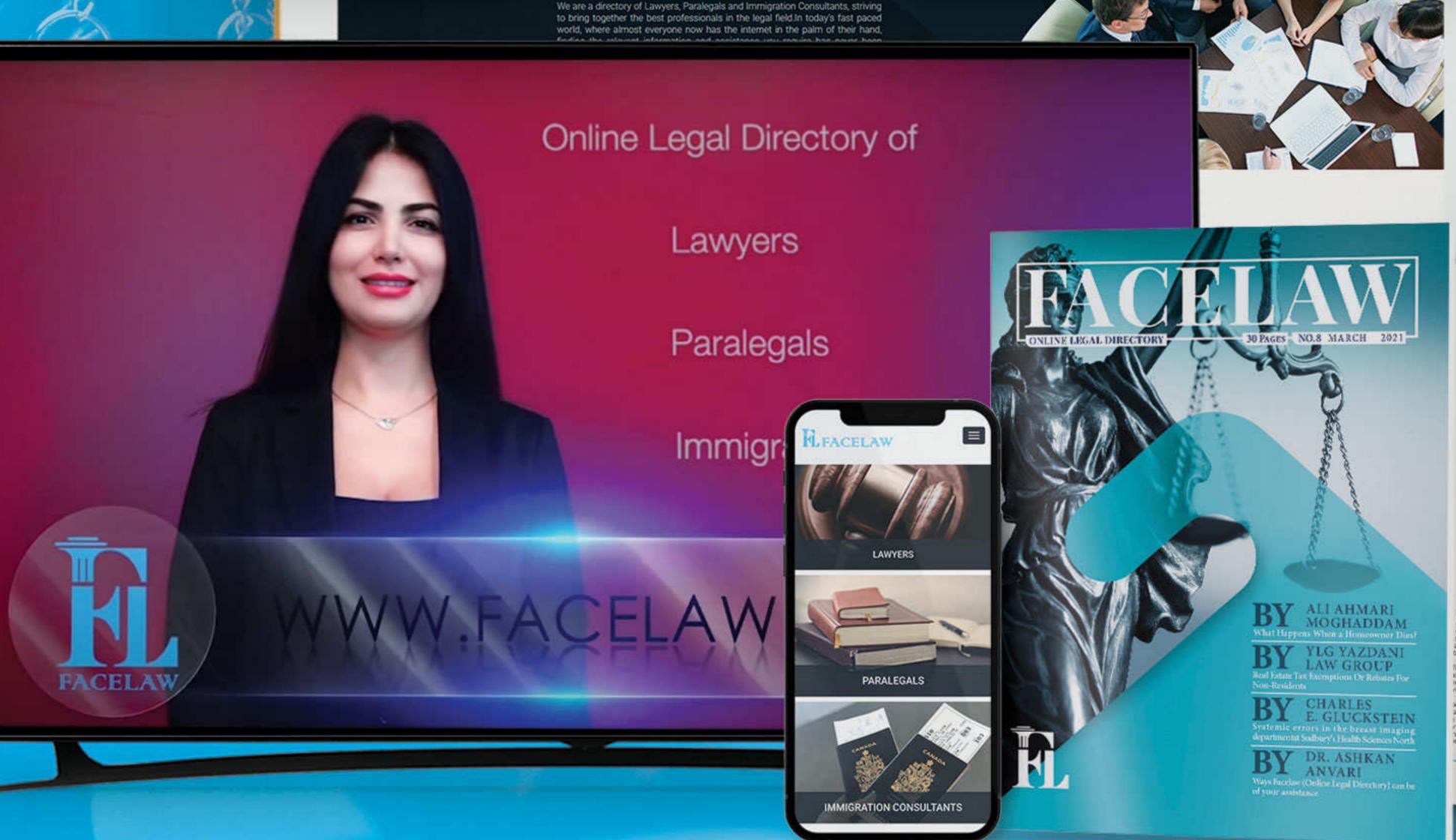














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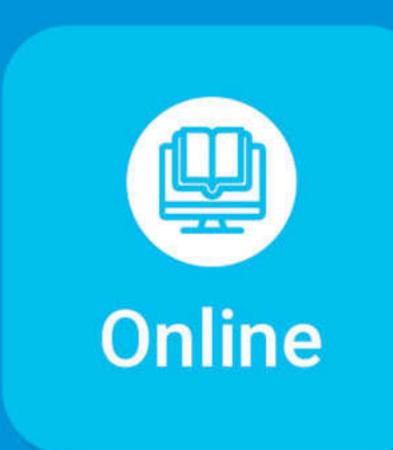


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