

ACCESS TO JUSTICE

An ongoing priority

THE BAR OF MONTREAL IN BRIEF

- More than 160 years of history
- Almost 14,000 members
- 40 committees
- 400 valuable volunteers
- 1 mission = The Bar of Montreal contributes to the protection of the public by providing information and enhancing awareness of rights.

MANY WAYS TO HELP

A DIRECT ASSISTANCE

- Family Law - Legal Duty Counsel Service (LDCS)
 - From 9:30 A.M. to noon Monday to Friday
 - Nearly 300 consultations per year
 - 25 volunteers
- Salon VISEZ DROIT Consultations
 - Around 1,000 consultations in 4 days, each year
 - 30 volunteers each day
- Referral Service
 - More than 14,300 calls each year

OFFERING VALUABLE INFORMATION

- VISEZ DROIT conferences
- Free conferences for the elderly and the young immigrants
- Family Law Self-Help Guide
 - Applying for an “interim/safeguard” family order
 - Opposing an “interim/safeguard” family order

SUPPORT AND COLLABORATION

- Pro Bono Legal Information Service in Municipal Court of Montreal (LIS) in collaboration with the Young Bar Association of Montreal
- LEGAL CONSULTATION SERVICES PROGRAM of the Young Bar Association of Montreal
 - The Small Claims Court
 - The Labour Relations Commission (CRT)
 - The *Régie du logement*
 - The Québec Court of Appeal
- Pro Bono Québec

ONGOING REFLECTION

- Annual Round Table on Participatory Justice
 - Promote the integration of a new legal culture
 - Understand and adapt the profession to the needs of citizens
- A Guide to best practices for lawyers facing self-represented parties

THANK YOU!