

Draft Regulations

Draft Regulation

Professional Code
(R.S.Q., c. C-26)

Notaries

— Code of ethics — Amendment

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1), that the Regulation to amend the Code of ethics of notaries, made by the board of directors of the Chambre des notaires du Québec, may be submitted to the Government for approval, with or without amendment, on the expiry of 45 days following this publication.

The draft Regulation specifies the situations where a notary must cease to provide professional services to a client.

The draft Regulation has no impact on enterprises, including small and medium-sized businesses.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Michel Vermette, notary, Directeur général adjoint, Direction des services juridiques, Chambre des notaires du Québec, 600-1801, avenue McGill College, Montréal (Québec) H3A 0A7; telephone: 514 879-1793, extension 5921, or 1 800 263-1793, extension 5921; fax: 514 879-1923; email: michel.vermette@cdnq.org

Any person wishing to comment on the draft Regulation is requested to submit written comments within the 45-day period to the Chair of the Office des professions du Québec, 800, place D'Youville, 10^e étage, Québec (Québec) G1R 5Z3. The comments will be forwarded by the Office to the Minister of Justice and may also be sent to the professional order that made the Regulation and to interested persons, departments and bodies.

JEAN PAUL DUTRISAC,
*Chair of the Office des
professions du Québec*

Regulation to amend the Code of ethics of notaries

Professional Code
(R.S.Q., c. C-26, s. 87)

1. The Code of ethics of notaries is amended by the replacement of section 26 by the following:

“**26.** A notary must withdraw from representing a client where he has serious cause as follows:

- (1) loss of confidence;
- (2) the notary is in a situation where his professional independence could be called into question;
- (3) he is induced by the client to perform illegal, or fraudulent acts;
- (4) he has reasonable grounds to suspect that he is assisting or may assist a client in a dishonest or fraudulent act, a crime, or illegal conduct.”

2. This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.

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— Compensation fund

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1), that the Regulation respecting the compensation fund of the Chambre des notaires du Québec, made by the board of directors of the Chambre des notaires du Québec, may be submitted to the Government for approval, with or without amendment, on the expiry of 45 days following this publication.