

JOIN LEAF HALIFAX AT THE 2016 PERSONS DAY BREAKFAST



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Celebrate a reproductive justice milestone

Every year on Persons Day, LEAF celebrates milestones in our collective work towards substantive gender equality. Over LEAF's 31 year history, many of these milestones are achievements in abortion access and reproductive justice. Prince Edward Island is the only province in Canada without local access to surgical abortion. In January 2016, Abortion Access Now PEI (AAN PEI), with the support of LEAF, launched a historic legal challenge to PEI's abortion policy. Halifax feminist lawyers

Nasha Nijhawan and **Kelly McMillan** (Nijhawan McMillan Barristers) represented AAN PEI — developing arguments that the policy discriminates on the basis of sex and pregnancy, and that it perpetuates the historic disadvantage and stigma faced by women. In the face of this legal challenge, PEI announced that it would open a reproductive health clinic in PEI, including abortion services, by the end of 2016. This Persons Day, Nasha and Kelly will be our honoured guest speakers. Join us to hear about their strategy in the legal challenge, celebrate the victory, and learn about ongoing efforts to hold the government of PEI accountable to its promise.

WHEN:

8:45 am Friday, October 14, 2016

WHERE:

Saint Mary's Boat Club, 1641 Fairfield Rd, Halifax NS, B3H 4E8

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About LEAF

Since April 17, 1985, when equality rights were enshrined in sections 15 and 28 of the *Charter of Rights and Freedoms*, LEAF has worked toward equality for women and girls. LEAF intervenes in key cases to ensure that when courts interpret equality rights, there will be a systemic improvement in women's lives. For more information about LEAF, visit leaf.ca.