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**FAMILY LAW LEGAL WOES EASED**  
**Legal Aid Alberta's Family Law Office Comes to Lethbridge**

EDMONTON, AB - February 29, 2008 – Due to an exceptionally high demand for family law legal services, Legal Aid Alberta is pleased to announce that the Family Law Office (FLO) is opening a branch that will serve the Lethbridge area. The offices for this branch will open their doors on March 3, 2008 and will be located at 244, 200 - 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue South in Lethbridge.

The Lethbridge staff, consisting of one lawyer and one legal assistant, will provide individualized legal support services to aid in the resolution of family law matters. "This expansion is a fundamental step in our mission to bring legal support directly to family law clients," comments Deborah A. Miller, Senior Counsel for The Family Law Office. "I'm excited to be involved in a venture that is a first of its kind in the Lethbridge area."

The Lethbridge Family Law Office will operate independently from, although located at the same address as, the Legal Aid Alberta Lethbridge Regional Office. "The Lethbridge FLO office will strengthen the already broad reach of Legal Aid Alberta and improve our ability to connect family law clients with the justice they deserve," notes Jacqueline Schaffter, President and CEO of Legal Aid Alberta.

For more information on Legal Aid Alberta or The Family Law Office, please visit either [www.legalaid.ab.ca](http://www.legalaid.ab.ca) or [www.familylawoffice.legalaid.ab.ca](http://www.familylawoffice.legalaid.ab.ca).

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**About The Family Law Office**

The Family Law Office (FLO), which became a permanent Legal Aid Alberta program in September 2004, provides family law legal services through salaried staff lawyers. Existing FLO offices are able to provide services to approximately one half of all of the legal aid clients requesting family law services in Edmonton and Calgary. For more information about the services offered by the Family Law Office please visit: [www.familylawoffice.legalaid.ab.ca](http://www.familylawoffice.legalaid.ab.ca)

**About Legal Aid Alberta**

Legal Aid Alberta (LAA) works to provide a continuum of innovative and cost effective legal services for people in need throughout Alberta. LAA was officially established on July 1, 1970 by an agreement between the Law Society of Alberta and the provincial Attorney General. For more information about Legal Aid Alberta and its many services please visit [www.legalaid.ab.ca](http://www.legalaid.ab.ca)