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## Upcoming C.R.A.C. Workshop-Sessions On Corporate Law Issues and Trade-Marks

In March 2001, C.R.A.C. shall be hosting three separate workshop-sessions, each lasting approximately three (3) hours. Two of the workshops will deal with issues in corporate law, while the other will deal with trade-marks. Designed and presented by qualified members of our team, these workshops will certainly be of great benefit to those who attend.

### Purpose of the Workshops

Our goal in offering these workshops is to share and discuss on several technical and practical aspects, notably to help reduce the risk of Default Notices and delays in connection with files that are given to us for processing. While the workshops will be held in French, questions will be answered in either official language.

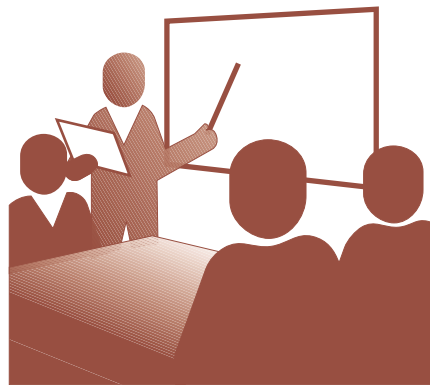
### FIRST WORKSHOP: The Notion of "Confusion" When Securing a Corporate Name

The risk of confusion is the most frequent obstacle encountered when seeking to secure a corporate name. This workshop will focus on the applicable criteria that must be considered in evaluating confusion between similar names. It will also focus on the differences between the rules at the federal level and those applied provincially (Quebec).

### SECOND WORKSHOP: Rules Governing Issuance of Certificates of Amalgamation

In recent years, mergers (amalgamations) and acquisitions have become a significant part of provincial and national corporate transactions. This workshop will cover the significant technical

difficulties that are encountered with this type of file and the distinctions to be made between a federal and a provincial (Quebec) amalgamation.



### THIRD WORKSHOP: Rules of Thumb on Collecting Information for a Trade-Mark File

Trade-marks is a specialised field with is perhaps less familiar to corporate practitioners. This workshop will therefore focus on the different stages one goes through when filing a trade-mark application, from the availability search to registration. It will also provide guidance on the kind of information required to file for registration.

### Who should attend

Workshops (1) and (2) will be of interest to professionals who provide services in corporate law such as practitioners, legal assistants, legal technicians and para-legals. The third conference is designed mainly for practitioners who have little experience but who wish increase their knowledge of the general principles involved in the process.

### Seating limited – Register Early

All three workshop-sessions are offered by C.R.A.C. free of charge. All are welcome to attend; however, priority will be given to clients with active accounts. In order to attend, please fill the registration form on page 3 and return it to us via Fax.

Registration form ⇨ page 3

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## New Provincial Search Report

Changes in appearance and in content have been brought to our Search Reports. A new look but also a more detailed decision is provided. In addition, mention is made in the decision sheet of any potentially confusing names that were located.

Added advantages that will benefit all our clients.

## Another Mother at C.R.A.C.

Ms. Julie Paquette, of the Corporate Filing Department (definitely our most



prolific!), gave birth to a lovely baby girl on December 23rd, who's name is Camille. We wish her and her parents (father: Daniel) much Health and Happiness.

## Turnaround schedule for Corporate Services as of February 1st, 2001

SERVICES	PROVINCIAL	FEDERAL
TaxExpress™ (GST / QST / QDAS)	5 days	
Name Search Report and Reservation	*1 day	24 hours
Certificate of Incorporation	*2 to 3 days	2 days
Certificate of Amendment	*2 to 3 days	2 days
Certificate of Continuation, of Continuance or of Amalgamation	*1 week	3 to 6 days
Certificate of Dissolution	6 to 7 weeks	2 to 3 days
Notice of Change (Federal) or Amending Declaration (Quebec)	3 to 4 weeks	2 days
Letters Patent for Non-Profit Corporations	*1 week	20 days
Attestation / Certificate of Good Standing or of Compliance	*24 hours	48 hours
Revival		3 to 6 days
Initial Declaration	3 to 4 weeks	
Declaration of Registration	*5 to 6 weeks	
Annual Declaration	*6 to 7 weeks	
Revocation of Striking-Off (s. 54 Legal Publicity Act)	*2 days	

*The turnaround times may vary slightly according to each file (\*) = Priority service available.*

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Due to the fact that Industry Canada offices were closed on January 31st and February 1st, 2001, the above indicated turn-around times at the federal level are not applicable. For a current listing, please consult our web site at [www.crac.com](http://www.crac.com).

*Thank you*  
**The Editor**

## A word of thought...

*A person is not old  
until regrets  
take the place  
of dreams.*

**John Barrymore**  
(1882-1942)  
Actor

# REGISTRATION FORM TO THE C.R.A.C. WORKSHOP-SESSIONS

## The Notion of "Confusion" When Securing a Corporate Name

Date: Wednesday March 14, 2001

**SPEAKER:** Mr. Denis Livernoche – Team Leader, Name Searches Dept. With C.R.A.C. for over 9 years, Mr. Livernoche has acquired solid expertise in connection with the interpretation and application of government policies and guidelines relating to the approval of corporate names.



Mr. Denis  
LIVERNOCHE

## Rules Governing Issuance of Certificates of Amalgamation

Date : Wednesday March 21, 2001

**SPEAKER:** Mrs. Franca Sucapane, Attorney-at-law – Team Leader, Corporate Services Dept. With C.R.A.C. for over 6 years, Mrs. Sucapane has acquired valuable hands-on experience in the technical aspect of securing certificates of amalgamation both federally and provincially.



Mrs. Franca  
SUCAPANE

## Rules of Thumb on Collecting Information for a Trade-Mark File

Date : Wednesday March 28, 2001

**SPEAKER:** Mr. Jean-François Nadon, Attorney-at-law – IPC Intellectual Property Centre. Mr. Nadon has recently joined our trade-mark section to assist in responding to the growing demand. His previous experience includes overseeing a large trade-mark portfolio, both local and international, on behalf of a multinational company.



Mr.  
Jean-François  
NADON

### Place and Time of the Workshop-sessions:

1080 Beaver Hall Hill, **Suite 720**, Montreal, Quebec. From 9:00 A.M. to 12:00 P.M. (inscriptions will begin at 8:30)

**Free of charge**

**I wish to register for the following workshop:**

Confusion and Corporate Names

Amalgamations

Trade-marks

First and Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Function: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Firm: \_\_\_\_\_

CRAC account No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Fax: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Send this Registration form at the following fax number: (514) 861-2751, to the attention of  
Ms. Anne ROY (aroy@crac.com) or  
Ms. Louise GASSE (louisette@crac.com)

Seating is limited so register early.

**NOTE :** Priority will go to clients having active accounts with C.R.A.C.