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Riopelle Groups buys out the Ristimaki law practice and carries on the business Thursday, July 4, 2013 2:31:30 EDT PM



The Riopelle Group law firm has purchased the Ristimaki law practice in South Porcupine and will continue to carry on business there. An open house was held Thursday to mark the event. Those on hand included, left to right, David Foster, Janice Kulik, Pierre Lambert-Belanger, Mayor Tom Laughren, Gord Conley, John Curley, Robert Riopelle, Sherry Bellemare and Dominique Lambert.

The business of law continues to be alive and well in South Porcupine, thanks to Riopelle Group law firm.

The Riopelle Group has purchased the law practice of the late Albert Ristimaki, the well-known local lawyer who operated for so many years in his hometown of South Porcupine, before he died in 2012.

More than that, the practice is staying in the same part of town where it always was.

The newly renovated Ristimaki Building keeps the law practice in the same well-known location at 4299 Harold Avenue. It is the only local law firm with an office in South Porcupine.

This is the third location for the Timmins-based law firm, which has a home office in downtown Timmins, an office in Ottawa and the South Porcupine office.

Aside from respecting the heritage aspect of continuing Ristimaki's practice in South Porcupine, principal lawyer Robert Riopelle said there are good business reasons as well. He said the practice is convenient not only for residents living in the East End, but also for residents of Connaught, Matheson and Iroquois Falls.

The Riopelle Group held an open house on Thursday to show off its new location and to assure clients and the business community that "we are here for the long term," said Riopelle.

Mayor Tom Laughren and Councilor Tom Curley dropped by for the ribbon cutting event along with dozens of friends and supporters.