

Key Foundations of Aboriginal Law and Working with Indigenous Clients

Aboriginal Law / Young Lawyers Division



In-Person



Webcast

Date: Wednesday, April 26, 2023 | 9:00am

Location: OBA Conference Centre
20 Toronto Street, 2nd Floor
Toronto, ON

Agenda: 8:30 am Registration Desk Opens
9:00 am Program Begins
12:00 pm Program Concludes



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Program Chairs: **Anand Srivastava**, Willms & Shier Environmental Lawyers LLP (London)

Do you work with Indigenous clients? Our faculty of experts will provide practical advice on how to work with your clients to achieve the best possible outcomes, while also providing an introductory overview of some key areas of Aboriginal Law.

Don't underestimate the importance of understanding the underpinnings of Aboriginal Law and its impact on your success with your clients and practice.

9:00 am Welcome and Opening Remarks

9:05 am **Key Principles of Aboriginal Law**

Patricia Lawrence, First Peoples Law LLP

- The duty to consult and accommodate
- The *Indian Act*
- Understanding historic and modern-day treaties

9:35 am **Intersections of Aboriginal Law**

Etienne Esquega, Esquega Law Office

(Fort William First Nation)

Megan Schwartzentruber, Cooper, Sandler, Shime & Schwartzentruber LLP

Jessie Stirling, Olthuis Kleer Townshend LLP

Lionel Tupman, Tupman & Bloom LLP

How do the principles of Aboriginal Law arise in other areas of practice. We bring together lawyers to discuss intersections of Aboriginal Law with corporate law, criminal law, family law and wills & estates.

10:35 am Health Break

10:50 am **Understanding Cultural Sensitivities**

Shaunna Kelly, Shaunna Kelly Law

- Trauma-informed legal practice and reconciliation
- Respecting your client – understanding respectful and appropriate terminology
- Ensuring cultural sensitivity and competency

11:20 am **Emerging Issues and Practical Advice**

Julie Abouchar, Willms & Shier Environmental Lawyers LLP

John Kim Bell, President, Bell & Bernard Limited and

Business Advisor, Michipicoten First Nation (Ohsweken)

Alexandria Winterburn, Pape Salter Teillet LLP

- What we wish we had known when we started
- Top tips on practice management
- Emerging issues

11:55 am Questions and Concluding Remarks

12:00 pm Program Concludes

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