

## 9th Annual Class Actions Colloquium

### Class Actions



In-Person



Webcast

**Date:** Monday, December 4, 2017 | 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

*(Reception to follow)*

**Location:** Twenty Toronto Street Conferences and Events  
20 Toronto Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Toronto

**Program Chair:** Sandeep J. Joshi, BMO Financial Group

This program is eligible for up to 8 Substantive Hours



The Annual Class Actions Colloquium is now in its 9<sup>th</sup> year! We have gathered an outstanding faculty of speakers who will highlight the most important developments in class actions, and provide critical insights and practical tips on how to stay at the top of your game in this highly specialized practice area.

It has been another significant year for class actions, and this annual conference will provide you with the key information you need to know to keep you current. Also, you won't want to miss the keynote address by former Supreme Court of Canada Justice Marshall Rothstein, Q.C.

Register now to gain exclusive updates and analysis of the past year's top developments in class actions law from an expert faculty of judges and lawyers engaged in the most cutting-edge issues.

8:30 am Registration and Coffee

9:00 am Welcome and Opening Remarks

9:05 am **Hot Topics #1: Key Issues and Trends in Securities, Competition, and Product Liability Actions**

**Michael Robb**, Siskinds LLP

**James Gotowiec**, Torys LLP

**J. Scott Maidment**, McMillan LLP

Hear about the latest key issues and trends in securities, competition, and product liability actions from top class action litigators.

10:05 am **National Task Force, Liaison and Law Commission of Ontario Update**

**Aneurin (Nye) Thomas**, Law Commission of Ontario

**Sylvie Rodrigue**, Torys LLP

Find out what the CBA National Task Force on Class Actions is considering with respect to a possible case management protocol for multi-jurisdictional class actions. Get an update on the Class Actions Liaison Committee, a new bench-bar committee recently formed in Ontario to address issues that arise in class action practice. Hear from the Law Commission of Ontario regarding its new class actions project which will consider Ontario's experience with class actions since the enactment of the legislation in 1993.

10:25 am **Networking Break**

10:40 am **Cross Country Check Up, and Beyond**

**Luciana Brasil**, Branch MacMaster LLP

**David Tupper**, Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP

**Catherine McKenzie**, Irving Mitchell Kalichman SENCRL

**Raymond Wagner, Q.C.**, Wagners

Top counsel from across the country provide their views on the key cases and issues arising from 2017 and their significance to your practice.

11:35 am **The Future of Multi-Jurisdictional Class Actions in Canada**

**The Honourable Paul M. Perell**, Ontario Superior Court of Justice

**John Brown**, McCarthy Tétrault LLP

**Margaret Waddell**, Waddell Phillips PC

A bench and bar discussion on carriage, settlement and multi-jurisdictional issues.

12:15 pm **Lunch and Keynote Address**

**Introduction: Antonio Di Domenico**, Fasken Martineau

DuMoulin LLP

**The Honourable Marshall Rothstein, C.C., Q.C.**, Osler Hoskin & Harcourt LLP (Former SCC Justice)

We are very pleased to have the Honourable Justice Rothstein provide his insights on the 2013 SCC class action trilogy and its impact on certification in Canada.

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1:00 pm **Hot Topics #2: Key Issues and Trends in Privacy, Consumer Protection and Institutional Actions**

**Jean-Marc Leclerc**, Sotos LLP

**Jill Yates**, McCarthy Tétrault LLP

**Peter Jervis**, Rochon Genova LLP

Delve into key issues and trends in privacy, consumer protection actions and claims against government and institutions with top class action litigators.

2:00 pm **Plaintiffs Issues**

**Moderator: Ron Podolny**, Siskinds LLP

**Steven Donziger**, The Law Office of Steven Donziger

**Jonathan Foreman**, Harrison Pensa LLP

**Alyssa Tomkins**, CazaSaikaley LLP

Our panel of highly experienced litigators will bring you up to speed on current issues and challenges in plaintiff-side class action practice, and best practices for addressing them.

2:50 pm **Networking Break**

3:10 pm **Defence Issues**

**Moderator: Evan Thomas**, Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt LLP

**Michael Eizenga**, Bennett Jones LLP

**Nicole Henderson**, Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP

**Afshan Ali**, CIBC

Hear from highly experienced litigators regarding the current issues and challenges that they face in the defence of a class action, and strategies for limiting clients' risks and exposure.

4:00 pm **View from the Bench – The Judges' Perspective**

**Moderator: Sandeep Joshi**, BMO Financial Group

**The Honourable George R. Strathy**, Court of Appeal for Ontario

**The Honourable Mr. Justice David Masuhara**, Supreme Court of British Columbia

**The Honourable Duncan Grace**, Ontario Superior Court of Justice (Southwest Region)

**The Honourable Pierre-C. Gagnon**, Superior Court of Quebec

Gain insights directly from Judges about a broad range of issues regarding class action proceedings.

5:00 pm **Closing Remarks and Program Concludes**

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