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# Contracts, Consultants and an Evolving Legal Landscape: What You Need to Know

**Construction and Infrastructure Law** 

**Date:** Thursday, September 14, 2017 | 9:00 am to 12:45pm

**Location:** 20 Toronto Street Conferences & Events 20 Toronto Street, Toronto, ON M5C 2B8

**Program Chairs:** Jason J. Annibale, McMillan LLP

Catherine DiMarco, Heal & Co. LLP







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Construction in Ontario continues to boom and the legal framework in which it takes place is changing. There is an explosion of condominium and residential development, infrastructure and transportation lines have been enhanced, and new towers are continuously becoming part of our city landscape. Resolving complex disputes, and understanding the contracts and consultants

that are part of this dynamic world is now increasingly important. Join us as our highly experienced faculty address:

- procurement
- professional liability
- settling complex lien actions

- architectural contracts
- notice provisions in construction contracts
- engineering issues

Register now for this timely and insightful program.

- 8:30 am Registration and Coffee
- 9:00 am Opening Remarks by Chair

#### 9:05 am Procurement Issues

### Rosa L. Mauro, Miller Thomson LLP

- Best practices to manage procurement risk from planning to contract award
- Understanding procurement governance
- Examine the impact of the Canadian Free Trade
   Agreement and the Canadian-EU Trade Agreement on
   public sector procurement

### 9:40 am Retaining Experts in Construction and Professional Liability Cases: Best Practices

Jeff M. Van Bakel, Koskie Minsky LLP

- How to retain experts in a construction case versus a professional liability case
- When should the expert be retained?
- When should the report be disclosed?
- Appropriate communications between counsel and the expert

### 10:25 am Setting Complex Lien Actions and Construction Disputes Andrew J. Heal, Heal & Co. LLP

- How to assess merits and isolate issues
- The pace of dispute resolution
- Engagement with counsel and compromise

10:50 am Networking Break

#### 11:05 am Architectural Contracts – Current Issues

**Daniel A. Boan,** Borden Ladner Gervais LLP **Andrea Lee,** Glaholt LLP

- OAA and architect concerns
- Client challenges
- Resolving issues

#### 11:40 am Notice Provisions in Construction Contracts

Patricia Skringer, Aecon Group Inc.

- Overview of a typical claim structure and process
- Evolution of notice requirements
- Recent application and best practices

## 12:05 pm Reviewing and Negotiating Engineering Agreements

Jason N. Lewis, WSP Canada

- Limiting the scope of indemnity obligations
- Payment provisions and how to proceed if your client is not getting paid
- Issues surrounding heightened standards of care

12:30 pm Questions and Closing Remarks

12:45 pm Program Concludes

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