

## The Essentials on Costs and Pre-judgement Interest

### Insurance Law

**Date:** Wednesday, November 29, 2017 | 8:00 am to 10:00 am  
**Location:** Twenty Toronto Street Conferences and Events  
 20 Toronto Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Toronto

**Program Chairs:** **Iman H. Abokor**, Lawson LLP  
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In-Person



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**Substantive Hours:** This program is eligible for up to 1h 30m.

Once the merits of a motion or a suit have been decided, counsel are required to grapple with the issues of interest and costs. Pre-judgment interest and costs can be a tricky area for litigators, but our expert panel will guide you through:

- What principles does the court consider in awarding costs to the successful party?
- How do you calculate pre-judgment interest?
- What do judges look for in a costs outline?

Join us for this essential update and our experienced faculty will help you navigate the murky areas of costs and pre-judgment interest so that you are prepared the next time they arise.

8:00 am Registration and Networking

8:30 am Welcome and Opening Remarks

#### 8:35am The Current Status of Pre-Judgment Interest

**Elizabeth Scott**, Lawson LLP

**Stephen Birman**, Thomson, Rogers

- Canvass the key principles underlying pre-judgment interest
- Review the recent 2017 Ontario Court of Appeal cases on this topic including *Cobb v. Long Estate* and *El-Khodr v. Lackie*
- How can plaintiffs' lawyers maximize their client's entitlement to pre-judgment interest in motor vehicle accident cases despite specific sections of the *Insurance Act*?

#### 9:00 am The Courts and Costs: What is Happening?

**Ravi Amarnath**, Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP

**Louise James**, Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP

- What approaches are courts taking in awarding costs?
- A review of some of the latest cases on costs
- Discuss the relationship of costs to lawyer's actual rates

#### 9:30am Interest and Costs in the Context of Mediation

**Ryan Murray**, Murray Mediation Services

- How to accurately calculate pre-judgment interest and costs at mediation
- Common mistakes lawyers make regarding pre-judgment interest and costs

9:55am Questions and Closing Remarks

10:00 am Program Concludes

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