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17th Annual Charter Conference

Constitutional, Civil Liberties Human Rights Law





In-Person





Location: Twenty Toronto Street Conferences and Events 20 Toronto Street, 2nd Floor, Toronto

Co-Chairs: Ewa Krajewska, Borden Ladner Gervais LLP

Tuesday, October 2, 2018 | 9:00 am to 2:00 p.m.

Nicola E. Simmons, Keel Cottrelle LLP

This program is eligible for up to 5 Substantive Hours

Leading constitutional scholars and practitioners will join esteemed members of the Bench to bring you up to date on essential developments in Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms ("Charter") jurisprudence and practice. Learn about recent Supreme Court of Canada (SCC) decisions, upcoming cases and developing trends in Charter law. Do not miss our luncheon plenary to gather invaluable insights from the Bench on how to maximize the effectiveness of your Charter advocacy.

This is an essential conference for all practitioners who deal with Charter issues in their practice. We look forward to seeing you there!

8:30 am Registration and Coffee

9:00 am Welcome and Opening Remarks

9:05 am The Year in Review: Critical Updates on Significant **Charter Litigation**

> Ewa A. Krajewska, Partner, Borden Ladner Gervais LLP Get your need-to-know overview of key constitutional cases.

9:25am Making Sense of the Latest Developments in Freedom of Religion

> Josh Hunter, Ministry of Attorney General-Legal Services-Constitutional Law Branch

Nadia Effendi, Partner, Borden Ladner Gervais LLP Joanna Radbord, Partner, Martha McCarthy & Company LLP

Derek Ross, Executive Director, Christian Legal Fellowship Moderator: Nicola E. Simmons, Keel Cottrelle LLP

- What are the new definitions and limits to freedom of religion outlined by the SCC in Trinity Western and
- When are religious issues justiciable?
- Balancing competing rights with freedom of religion: Making sense of Baars and Trinity Western
- Exploring effective referrals for treatment as a reasonable limit on doctors' freedom of conscience
- Does freedom of religion extend to allow a parent to protect children from "false teachings"?
- 10:35am Navigating Privacy Rights in Unreasonable Search and Seizure

Jennifer Conroy, Senior Counsel & Appeals Team Leader, Public Prosecution Service of Canada

Angela Chaisson, Angela Chaisson Law Fredrick Schumann, Stockwoods LLP

Moderator: Megan Savard, Addario Law Group LLP

- When are digital communications/text messages
- When can I complain about an illegal third-party
- Is territorial privacy a thing of the past?
- Can one co-owner consent to state seizure of a device?

- Do the police need a wiretap order to seize or participate in a text conversation?
- Protecting privacy at the border is it possible and how can we do it?
- What privacy issues arise when the state wants to access foreign-stored data?

11:45am How Does Pay Equity Interact with Equality Rights?

Fay Faraday, Faraday Law

Shaun O'Brien, Legal Director, Women's Legal Education & **Action Fund**

Zachary Green, Ministry of Attorney General-Legal Services-Constitutional Branch

Moderator: Morgana Kellythorne, College of Physicians & Surgeons of Ontario

- Exploring the relationship between pay equity and equality rights under the Charter
- What is the scope of protection afforded to targeted ameliorative programs under section 15(2)? Recent pronouncements from the SCC

12:40pm Lunch

1:00pm Essential Advice from the Bench on Charter Advocacy

The Honourable Jill M. Copeland, Superior Court of Justice The Honourable Ed M. Morgan, Superior Court of Justice Moderator: Yashoda Ranganathan, Ministry of Attorney General-Legal Services-Constitutional Branch

- How are *Charter* cases litigated differently?
- Critical insights on effective Charter advocacy

1:50 pm Questions and Concluding Remarks

2:00 pm Program Concludes

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