

Best Practices for Class Actions Settlements

Class Actions



In-Person



Webcast

Date: Friday, April 20, 2018 | 9:00 am to 12:00 pm
Location: Twenty Toronto Street Conferences and Events
 20 Toronto Street, 2nd Floor, Toronto
Program Chair **Carlo Di Carlo**, Stockwoods LLP
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Many class actions end in settlements. Join us as leading practitioners walk you through the pertinent aspects of settlement structures, the approval process and the administration of these settlements. Our stellar faculty will navigate the key issues that arise with respect to class action settlements and provide valuable insight into the complexities of this area, so that you can properly advise your clients.

Register now for this timely and practical program.

8:30 am Registration and Coffee

9:00 am Welcome and Opening Remarks

9:05 am **Primer on Settlement**

Lisa Lutwak, Waddell Phillips P.C.

Robin Linley, Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP

- Explore the settlement approval process
- Review common settlement structures and features
- Examine the strategic considerations involved in negotiating a settlement structure

9:50 am **Working with Claims Administrators**

Kathryn Podrebarac, Podrebarac Barristers

Megan McPhee, Kim Spencer McPhee P.C.

Eric Khan, Court appointed Monitor/Administrator

- Best practices for selecting and working with a claims administrator
- Canvass the common challenges in administering settlements
- How do you anticipate and address administration issues in settlement agreements?

10:30 am Networking Break

10:45 am **Counsel Fees and Fee Sharing Arrangements**

Brendan Van Nijenhuis, Stockwoods LLP

Luciana Brasil, Branch MacMaster LLP

Katherine Kay, Stikeman Elliott LLP

- Discuss the impact of the *Bancroft* decision on fee sharing arrangements
- Explore the ethical issues regarding settlement approval and the possible role of *amicus curiae*
- Identify the difficulties which arise from the settlement of multi-jurisdictional class actions

11:30 am **Role of Litigation Funders, Insurers and the Class Proceedings Fund in Settlements**

Tania Sulan, Bentham IMF

Simon Gibson, Aon Risk Solutions

Gina Papageorgiou, Class Proceedings Fund

- Delve into what funders, insurers and CPF can provide and the role they play
- Understand the *Houle v. St. Jude* decision and its implications for obtaining an order approving a litigation funding agreement
- Navigate the issues that can arise at a settlement and at a settlement approval motion

11:55pm Questions and Answers

12:00pm Program Concludes

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