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## Beyond the Construction Act: Other Legal Updates for Construction Lawyers

**Construction and Infrastructure Law** 





**Date:** Tuesday, March 26, 2019 | 9:00 am to 12:30 pm

**Location:** OBA Conference Centre

20 Toronto Street, Toronto, ON M5C 2B8

**Program Chairs:** Samantha Ambrozy, Toronto Transit Commission

Edward Lynde, McLauchlin & Associates



This program is eligible for up to 3h 30m Substantive

From the people that build the project to the trade implications of purchasing, construction industry participants deal with issues beyond the *Construction Act*. Construction lawyers need to be familiar with the various interconnected issues that might arise in their files. So they can proactively identify and recognize potential problems. Join us to learn more about the other areas of law in which issues may arise in the course of a construction project in Ontario.

Register now for this unique and valuable program.

8:30 am Registration and Coffee

9:00 am Welcome & Opening Remarks

#### 9:05 am Cannabis and the Workplace

Kelly O'Ferrall, Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt LLP

- Primer on cannabis and its affect in the workplace
- Understand the key risks concerning the use of cannabis by employees in safety sensitive workplaces and how to mitigate them

#### 9:35 am International Trade and Its Implications

Judy Wilson, Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP

- Explore the implications of international trade on the construction industry
- Review the procurement implications of recent trade agreements

#### 10:05 am Immigration and the Construction Industry

Ravi Jain, Green & Spiegel LLP

- Discuss the work permit options for foreign workers such as the two step process of obtaining the "default" work permit and other possible "open work permit" options
- Who is legally allowed to work and issues around volunteering, verifying documentation and "implied" status
- Explore permanent residence options for foreign workers and the need for new program options

10:35 am Networking Break

#### 10:50 pm Environmental Concerns

Richard Butler, Willms & Shier Environmental Lawyers LLP

- Understand the environmental regulatory and civil liability regimes and ways to minimize exposure to environmental liability
- What is personal environmental liability and the exposure for officers and directors?
- Review recent cases affecting the industry
- Examine the due diligence defence and environmental prosecutions

### 11:20 pm Labour Law and Labour Relations

Erin Kuzz, Sherrard Kuzz LLP

- Discuss the context of labour relations within certain sectors of the construction industry
- Focus on applications for certification
- Explore grievances, arbitrations and assessing damages

11:50 pm Key Considerations of Occupational Health and Safety

Jeremy Warning, Matthews Dinsdale & Clark LLP Deanah Shelly, Matthews Dinsdale & Clark LLP

- Discuss key steps and considerations in responding to a serious workplace accident
- Understand key health and safety issues when contracting for a construction project

12:20 pm Questions and Closing Remarks

12:30 pm Program Concludes

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