

Ethics and Civility in the Courtroom and Beyond

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Original Program Chairs:

Lawrence A. Conmigo, Gorbet & Associates - Travelers Canada **Erin Hoult**, Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP

Original program was held on December 4, 2018

AGENDA

Welcome and Opening Remarks from the Program Chairs

Lessons from the Frontline

Joseph Groia, Groia & Company Prof. Corp.

Reflections and the lessons learned as a client in Groia v. Law Society of Upper Canada.

Groia: The Final Chapter

Deborah Templer, McCarthy Tétrault LLP

Cara F. Zwibel, Director, Fundamental Freedoms Program, Canadian Civil Liberties Association

- Will the case change how lawyers conduct themselves in court?
- What should counsel take from the decision?
- How do you balance zealous advocacy with competing obligations under the Rules of Professional Conduct?

Litigating #MeToo

Holly Reid, Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP

Kevin Robinson, Robinson Heeney LLP

- What are the unique ethical and practical issues facing counsel dealing with workplace harassment investigations and claims?
- The "do's and don'ts" when your action involves #MeToo allegations





Professionalism Hours: This program contains 3h 00m

Break (15 Minutes)

Litigation Agreements: Duties to the Court and Other Side

Blair W.M. Bowen, Fogler, Rubinoff LLP

- Get insights on the Court of Appeal's decision in *Handley Estate v. DTE Industries*
- What is a litigation agreement that requires "immediate disclosure"?
- Review what needs to be disclosed, to whom and when

Ethical Duties and Advising Corporate Clients

Kenneth Jull, Gardiner Roberts LLP

Stephen Schmidt, TELUS

- What limits exist when advising corporate clients?
- Examine the ethical responsibilities that prevail in this type of relationship.

View From the Bench – Civility in the Courtroom

The Honourable George R. Strathy, Chief Justice of Ontario, Court of Appeal for Ontario **The Honourable E. Susan Elliott**, Federal Court of Canada (Ottawa)

The Honourable Lucy McSweeney, Superior Court of Justice (Brampton)

- What the Bench would like to see in court?
- Recurring ethical issues that need addressing.
- How to treat your friends and others in the Court?

Closing Remarks



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