

Working with Indigenous Clients and Key Foundations of Aboriginal Law

Aboriginal Law / Young Lawyers Division



In-Person



Webcast

Date: Wednesday, October 23, 2019 | 2:00 pm to 5:30 pm

Location: OBA Conference Centre
20 Toronto Street, 2nd Floor, Toronto

Program Chair: **Amber Bonnell**, Gowling WLG (Canada) LLP (Waterloo)
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Do you work with Indigenous clients? This course will ensure that you are prepared to approach your next file with added confidence. Our expert panel will provide practical advice on how to work with your clients to achieve the best possible outcomes, while also providing an introductory overview of some key areas of Aboriginal Law and how this informs your practice.

2:00 pm Registration and Coffee

2:30 pm Welcome and Opening Remarks

2:35 pm **Understanding Cultural Sensitivities**
Chief Kelly Larocca, Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation

- Respecting your client – understanding respectful and appropriate terminology
- Ensuring cultural sensitivity and competency
- Understanding who the client is and who to take instructions from

3:05 pm **Key Principles of Aboriginal Law**
Kerry Wilkins, Adjunct Professor,
University of Toronto Faculty of Law

- The duty to consult and accommodate
- The *Indian Act*
- Understanding historic and modern-day treaties

3:35 pm Networking Break

3:50 pm **How Aboriginal Law Principles will play into your practice**
Etienne Esquega, Esquega Law Office
(Fort William First Nation)

Promise Holmes Skinner, Barrister & Solicitor
William J. Taggart, Fogler Rubloff LLP
Maggie Wente, Olthuis Kleer Townshend LLP

- Corporate Law
- Criminal Law
- Wills and Estates
- Family Law

4:40 pm **Emerging Issues and Practical Advice**
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- What we wish we had known when we started
- Top tips on practice management
- Emerging issues

5:25 pm Questions and Concluding Remarks

5:30 pm Program Concludes

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