

Advocacy in Administrative Law: Persuading Judges and Tribunals in a Virtual World

Date: April 16, 2021

Original Program Chair: Heather MacIvor, LexisNexis Canada

Original program was held on November 13, 2020

AGENDA

Welcome and Opening Remarks from the Program Chairs

Opportunities and Challenges of Written and Virtual Hearings

Justice Thomas Lederer, Superior Court of Justice

Zachary Green, Counsel, Ministry of the Attorney General, Constitutional Law Branch

Caroline Mandell, Legal Communication and Litigation Consultant

- How to make effective, persuasive and successful arguments on behalf of your clients in a virtual environment
- Learn best new practices for written and virtual hearings
- Narrowing the issues in disputes

How to Effectively Work with Witnesses and Clients

Andrea Gonsalves, Stockwoods LLP

Courtney Harris, Counsel, Ministry of the Attorney General, Constitutional Law Branch **Jillian Siskind**, Jillian M. Siskind & Associates

- Advising and supporting your clients in a virtual environment
- How to help your witnesses prepare remotely
 - How to go through a draft affidavit
 - How to sit down with a witness
- Confidentiality in a virtual environment





Substantive Hours: This program contains 0h 30m **Professionalism Hours:** This program contains 2h 30m



Break (15 Minutes)

Practical Strategies for Effective Advocacy Raj Anand, WeirFoulds LLP Brendan van Niejenhuis, Stockwoods LLP Valerie Wise, Wise Health Law

- Technology and your courtroom or tribunal
 - What technology is being used
 - o Restrictions of the technology
 - o Familiarizing your client, witness with the technology
- Preparing for a virtual hearing; evidence and submissions
- Adapting your advocacy to the virtual world

Closing Remarks



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