

## Family Violence: An Essential Series for Every Family Lawyer

*OBA Family Law*



Webcast

**Date:** Wednesday, July 21, 2021 | 8:30 am - 11:00 am  
Wednesday, July 28, 2021 | 8:30 am - 11:00 am  
Wednesday, August 11, 2021 | 8:30 am - 11:00 am  
Wednesday, August 18, 2021 | 8:30 am - 11:00 am

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Part 1 contains a total of 1 hour  
Part 2 contains a total of 30 minutes

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Part 2 contains 2 hours  
Part 3 contains 2 hours and 30 minutes  
Part 4 contains 2 hours and 30 minutes

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Recent amendments to the *Divorce Act* and the *Children's Law Reform Act* have brought the discussion around family violence to the fore and have provided a long-needed focus in family law on this widespread problem within Canada's families.

It is critical that every family lawyer has a comprehensive understanding of what family violence is, how to recognize and respond to it, the legal impacts of family violence, and how best to support your clients.

Join us for this essential series to gather the vital knowledge, insights and resources you need to ensure that you are equipped to competently and effectively represent your clients where family violence or concerns or allegations of family violence exist.

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### **PART 1: Understanding Family Violence and its Impact on Your Role as Lawyer**

**July 21, 2021 | 8:30 am - 11:00 am**

**Program Chairs:** **Kathy Batycky**, Stoner & Company Family Law Associates  
**Umme Habiba**, Umme Habiba Legal Professional Corporation

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| 8:30 am  | Welcome and Opening Remarks  |
| 8:35 am  | <b>What is Family Violence?</b><br><b>Pamela Cross</b> , Luke's Place<br><b>Professor Peter Jaffe</b> , Western University   |
| 9:25 am  | <b>Trauma-Informed Lawyering</b><br><b>Helgi Maki</b> , Resilience Coaching and Consulting   |
| 9:55 am  | Break  |
| 10:05 am | <b>Tools, Best Practices and Resources Beyond the Traditional Lawyer Role</b><br><b>Deepa Mattoo</b> , Barbra Schlifer Commemorative Clinic<br><b>Samantha Warden</b> , Luke's Place |
| 10:35 am | <b>Practical Advice for Representing Abusers or Alleged Abusers</b><br><b>Bobbi Olsen</b> , Olsen Law  |
| 11:00 am | Part 1 concludes   |

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**PART 2: Identifying Family Violence and Selecting the Appropriate Process Option**

**July 28, 2021 | 8:30 am - 11:00 am**

**Program Chairs:**     **Ilana Arje-Goldenthal**, Frodis Family Law  
                              **Sarah Anne Strathopoulos**, Epstein Cole LLP

- 8:30 am     Welcome and Opening Remarks
- 8:35 am     **Identify and Responding to Family Violence in a Lawyer's Day-to-Day Practice**  
                 [Claire Farid](#), Department of Justice Canada  
                 [Cherami Wichmann](#), Department of Justice Canada
- 9:20 am     Break
- 9:30 am     **Important Considerations for Selecting the Best Process for Your Client**  
                 [Bailey Duller](#), Birenbaum Steinberg Landau Savin & Colraine LLP  
                 [Elizabeth Hyde](#), Riverdale Mediation  
                 [Archana Medhekar](#), Certified Family Law Specialist and Family Mediator
- 10:30 am   **Recognizing and Mitigating Against Vicarious Trauma and Compassion Fatigue**  
                 [Karine Silverwoman](#), Director of Counselling, Barbra Schlifer Commemorative Clinic  
                 [Frankie Wood](#), Wood Gold LLP
- 11:00 am   Part 2 concludes

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**PART 3: Proving Family Violence and Managing Family Violence Concerns Through the Legal Process**

**August 11, 2021 | 8:30 am - 11:00 am**

**Program Chairs:**     **Courtney L. Wile**, Epstein Cole LLP  
                              **Zahra Taseer**, Simpson Taseer LLP

- 8:30 am     Welcome and Opening Remarks
- 8:35 am     **Process Customization in Outside-of-Court Processes Where Family Violence Concerns Exist**  
                 [Raheena Dahya](#), Barrister & Solicitor, Mediator  
                 [Seema Jain](#), Jain Family Law and Mediation
- 9:20 am     Break
- 9:30 am     **Best Practices for Establishing or Responding to Allegations of Family Violence in Court Proceedings**  
                 [The Honourable Justice Marvin Kurz](#), Superior Court of Justice  
                 [Neha Chugh](#), Chugh Law  
                 [Jennifer Gold](#), Wood Gold LLP
- 11:00 am   Part 3 concludes

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**PART 4: Legal Impacts of Family Violence**

**August 18, 2021 | 8:30 am - 11:00 am**

**Program Chairs:**     **Lisa Kadoory**, Kadoory Cho Family Law  
                              **Christine Marchetti**, Marchetti Lee Family Law

- 8:30 am     Welcome and Opening Remarks
- 8:35 am     **How Family Violence Impacts Parenting Arrangements**  
                 [Joanna Radbord](#), McCarthy Hansen & Company LLP

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**Professor Katreena Scott**, Centre for Research & Education on Violence Against Women & Children,  
Western University

- 9:20 am

**Restraining Orders and Exclusive Possession of the Matrimonial home**  
**Nilufa Husein**, Barrister & Solicitor
- 9:50 am

Break
- 10:00 am

**How to Handle Immigration Concerns**  
**Warda Shazadi** Meighen, Landings LLP
- 10:30 am

**Family Violence and Tort Law: Non-Consensual Distribution of Intimate Images**  
**Alexi Wood**, St. Lawrence Barristers LLP
- 11:00 am

Part 4 concludes

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