

Corporate Law Basics

Business Law / Young Lawyers Division



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Date: Thursday, June 24, 2021 | 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm ET

Location: Webinar

Agenda: 12:00 pm Webinar Commences
2:00 pm Webinar Concludes



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Regardless of your practice area, you are likely going to need to address corporate law issues. How are corporate reorganizations used within the context of family law? What are your clients' options in terms of business structures, and how do you establish these entities? Learn the essentials of corporate law as our expert panelists outline important considerations for new lawyers working with corporate clients. Don't miss this opportunity to gain valuable insight from our stellar faculty and take your practice to the next level by building a strong corporate law foundation.

Register now and gain a broader understanding of this key area of the law.

Program Chair: Jessica Alves, Buset LLP (Thunder Bay)

12:00 pm Welcome and Opening Remarks

1:00 pm Health Break

12:05 pm **Business Structures: The Basics**

Brenda Leigh Bell, Brenda Leigh Bell Law Offices (Dryden)
Martin-Joe Ezeudu, PhD, Assistant Professor, Bora Laskin Faculty of Law, Lakehead University (Thunder Bay)

- What are the pros and cons of different business structures, and how do you establish them?
 - Corporations
 - Partnerships
 - Sole proprietorships
- Control of the company - the role of shareholders, officers, and directors
- Key considerations for corporations in the natural resource & extractive industries

1:05 pm **Economic Reconciliation with Indigenous Communities**

R. Martin Bayer, Weaver, Simmons LLP (Sudbury)
Paul-Emile McNab, Director of Business Development, Canadian Council For Aboriginal Business (Toronto)

- TRC Calls to Action
 - UNDRIP
 - FPIC
- Best practices for establishing economic partnerships with Indigenous communities
 - Cultural awareness training
 - Engaging with community members early and often
 - Options for local capacity-building
- Key Indigenous-led resources regarding economic development

12:35 pm **Representing an Organization**

Juda Strawczynski, Director, Lawyers' Professional Indemnity Company (LawPro) (Toronto)
Brigid Wilkinson, Kemp Pirie Crombeen (New Liskeard)

- Corporations as Clients:
 - Who is your client?
 - Special professional obligations when representing an organization
- Survey of service offerings to corporations
- Practice management and client communication tips

1:35 pm **Corporate Law Nexus with Other Practice Areas**

John G. Illingworth, Atwood Labine LLP (Thunder Bay)

- Family law
 - Issues to consider when a party owns a business
 - Best practices for share valuations

2:00 pm Program Concludes