

21st Annual *Charter* Conference

Constitutional, Civil Liberties and Human Rights Law



Webcast



Date: Wednesday, October 12, 2022 | 9:00 am to 2:00 pm

Location: Webcast only

Co-Chairs: **Courtney Laidlaw**, Toronto Transit Commission
Priscila Atkinson, Ministry of the Attorney General,
Constitutional Law Branch

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Substantive Content

Back for its 21st year, the Annual *Charter* Conference will bring together leading constitutional scholars and practitioners along with esteemed members of the judiciary for an in-depth review of the latest developments in *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms* law and practice. Hear from our expert faculty as they address recent Supreme Court of Canada jurisprudence, upcoming cases, and developing trends. If you deal with *Charter* issues in your practice, do not miss this essential event.

9:00 am	Welcome and Opening Remarks	12:00pm	Lunch Break
9:05 am	The Year in Review: Critical Updates on Significant <i>Charter</i> Litigation Professor Bruce Ryder , Osgoode Hall Law School <ul style="list-style-type: none">Need-to-know overview of key constitutional cases in the past year	12:30pm	Freedom of Expression and Combatting Online Harms Abbas Kassam , Senior Fellow, Centre for Free Expression at Toronto Metropolitan University Rosel Kim , Women's Legal Education and Action Fund David Matas , B'Nai Brith Canada (Winnipeg) Moderator: Professor Errol Mendes , University of Ottawa Faculty of Law, Common Law Section (Ottawa) <ul style="list-style-type: none">Takeaways from the Government of Canada's Expert Advisory Group on Online SafetyPlatforms and providers: terms of service, remedies, transparency, and gapsLEAFs law reform efforts to combat technology-facilitated gender violence
9:35 am	Hot Topics at the CCLA Noa Mendelsohn Aviv , Canadian Civil Liberties Association <ul style="list-style-type: none">Learn more about the CCLA's latest litigation and advocacy efforts	1:30 pm	Keynote Address: The <i>Charter</i> at 40 The Honourable Justice Shaun S. Nakatsuru , Superior Court of Justice
10:00am	Unwritten Constitutional Principles and the Notwithstanding Clause Professor Errol Mendes , University of Ottawa Faculty of Law, Common Law Section (Ottawa) Robin Basu , Ministry of the Attorney General, Constitutional Law Branch Marion Sandilands , Conway Baxter Wilson LLP (Ottawa) Moderator: Saba Ahmad , Saba Ahmad Barrister Professional Corporation <ul style="list-style-type: none">Implications of the Supreme Court of Canada's decision in <i>City of Toronto v. Attorney General of Ontario</i>Understanding the impact on Quebec's Bill 21 (ban of religious symbols)How does this shape future political decision-making?	1:55 pm	Questions and Concluding Remarks
10:55am	Break	2:00 pm	Program Concludes
11:05am	Public Interest Standing: <i>A.G. of B.C. v. Council of Canadians with Disabilities</i> Cheryl Milne , University of Toronto Faculty of Law Yashoda Ranganathan , Ministry of the Attorney General, Constitutional Law Branch Fahad Siddiqui , Norton Rose Fulbright Canada LLP Moderator: Priscila Atkinson , Ministry of the Attorney General, Constitutional Law Branch <ul style="list-style-type: none">Whether the test has changedHow to establish a sufficient factual context for public interest litigationChallenges and strategies for organizing interveners		

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