

Mastering Marriage Contracts and Cohabitation Agreements: Practical Insights and Creative Drafting Solutions

Family Law Section

Date: June 16, 2022 | 9:00am – 1:00pm

Location: Zoom webinar only

Agenda: 9:00 am – Program Begins
1:00 pm – Program Concludes



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Negotiating and drafting marriage contracts and cohabitation agreements can involve complicated financial and emotional issues. From important factors to consider at the outset to the different support, property and other tricky scenarios and requests that you may encounter, our esteemed faculty will provide practical advice and creative drafting approaches to marriage contracts and cohabitation agreements.

Don't miss this opportunity to expand your family law toolkit and gain the skills to effectively provide your clients with certainty about the future while accounting for the sensitivity and unpredictability of a spousal relationship.

Program Chairs: **Ilana Arje-Goldenthal**, Frodis Family Law (Toronto)
Emma Katz, Kelly D. Jordan Family Law Firm (Toronto)

9:00 am	Welcome and Opening Remarks	10:30 am	Enforcing or Setting Aside Marriage Contracts Kevin Caspersz , Shulman & Partners LLP (Toronto) Katherine Robinson , Kain & Ball Professional Corporation (Mississauga)
9:05 am	Pre-Drafting Considerations: Setting Yourself Up for Success Janice Ho , Holam Law PC (Markham) Jacqueline M. Mills , Jacqueline Mills Family Law (Toronto)	11:00 am	Questions
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Initial information to provide to client • Advice for effectively preparing and exchanging financial disclosure • Setting and managing client expectations from the outset • Your obligations in providing independent legal advice, and how to do it competently 	11:05 am	Break
		CREATIVE DRAFTING ADVICE	
9:30 am	Key Insights on Avoiding Mishaps and Errors – Limiting Liability Brahm Siegel , Nathens, Siegel LLP (Toronto)	11:15 am	Tackling Spousal Support Jennifer Gold , Wood Gold LLP (Brampton) Laurie H. Pawlitza , Torkin Manes (Toronto)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Importance clauses related to releases and waivers, summary judgment, and bifurcation to assist in limiting liability 		Unravel various spousal support scenarios and lifestyle clauses and how they can be used in an agreement to best reflect your client's intentions.
9:45 am	Key Insights on Avoiding Mishaps and Errors – Preventing Your Contract From Being Overturned Kori Levitt , Frodis Family Law (Toronto)	11:45 am	Dealing with Property Hilary Jenkins , McKenzie Lake Lawyers (London) Serena Lein , Carson Lein LLP (Toronto)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Common pitfalls that result in the court overturning your agreement and how to avoid these errors 		Join our panelists to work through different scenarios related to the matrimonial home/family residence and other property and assets. Gather useful and creative clauses you can use in your marriage contracts and cohabitation agreements.
10:00 am	Unique Considerations When Preparing Cohabitation Agreements Sarah Strathopolous , Epstein Cole LLP (Toronto)	12:20 pm	Navigating After Marriage Contracts, Second Marriages and Estate Planning Considerations Jenna Preston , Nelligan O'Brien Payne LLP (Ottawa) Shawn Richard , Lenkinski, Carr, & Richard LLP (Toronto)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Insights on issues that arise specifically from cohabitation agreements 		How do you ensure that there is clarity and consistency between your client's will and marriage contract or cohabitation agreement? How do you address after marriage contracts to
10:15 am	Collaborative Law Opportunities Cori Kalinowski , Kalinowski Law and Mediation (Toronto)		
	How Collaborative Practice can be effectively used to prepare durable and meaningful marriage contracts and cohabitation agreements.		

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12:55 pm Questions and Concluding Remarks

1:00 pm Program Concludes

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