

## **OBA** | Professional Development

## **Professionalism and Ethical Issues for Tax Lawyers**

**Taxation Law Section** 

**Date:** Thursday, December 5, 2024 | 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

**Location:** OBA Conference Centre

20 Toronto Street, 2nd Floor, Toronto

Program Chairs: Sameer Nurmohamed, Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP

Darren Joblonkay, Davies Ward Phillips & Vineberg LLP



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Professionalism Hours: This program contains 1h 45m
1h 15m of Equality, and Inclusion Professionalism Content

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Join us for this popular annual program targeted specifically at tax practitioners to get helpful insights and advice on the critical ethical and professionalism issues facing you in your practice.

Our top-notch faculty will equip you with the knowledge and strategies you need to confidently navigate tricky ethical challenges, and take active steps towards building a more inclusive profession.

Plus, get all the professionalism and EDI hours you need in one valuable event.

9:00am Welcome and Opening Remarks

9:05am Ethical and Professionalism Considerations in Notifiable and Reportable Transactions

Andrew Spiro, Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP

- Obligations of adviser to report and what to report
- Balancing obligations and client interests or wishes
- Enforcement and risks of non-compliance

9:40am Unique Considerations for Indigenous Clients in Tax Law

**Gregory Sanders,** KPMG Law LLP **Kyle Spampinato,** Aird & Berlis LLP

- Unique needs and special considerations in dealing with Indigenous clients
- Cultural competency
- Special tax issues, opportunities and situations that can arise

10:15am Growing your Career as a Tax Lawyer

Cadie Yiu, Thorsteinssons LLP

Sameer Nurmohamed, Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP

**Bhuvana Rai, Mors & Tribute Tax Law** 

- Developing key skills
- Dealing with unique pressures
- Recognizing areas where you need to consult specialists and where you can give advice
- Taking advantage of mentorship opportunities

10:50am Networking Break

11:00am Generational Diversity: Minimizing Conflict and Maximizing Value

Professor Eddy Ng, Smith Professor of Equity & Inclusion, Smith School of Business, Queens University

For the first time in history, there are five generations in the workplace. Hear about the career-related differences between generations and what it means for your relationships and organization.

11:30am Cultivating a Culture of Belonging

Mahwash Khan, Director, IDEA Programs, Siskinds LLP

Learn about belonging and psychological safety in the workplace, including why it is important and how you can

foster a culture of belonging in your firm.

12:00pm Program Concludes