

DCAO/CCLA
presents the
37th Annual Criminal Law Conference 2025



IN-PERSON: Fairmont Le Chateau Montebello
Saturday, October 18 – Sunday, October 19, 2025

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9:00 – 9:05 Welcome & Opening Remarks

Ewan Lyttle, *DCAO President*
Katie Black, *CCLA President*

9:05 – 9:50 The Business of Law (45 minutes)

Panelists: David Anber, *David Anber's Law Office*
Joshua Clarke, *Armoured Suits*
Rosalind Conway, *Law Office of Rosalind E. Conway* Bruce
Engel, *Engel & Associates*
Sean May, *May Irwin Miller & Associates*

**9:50 – 10:35 Hearsay as a Substitute for Adducing *viva voce* Evidence
(45 minutes)**

Panelists: Justice Marlyse Dumel, *Ontario Court of Justice*
Sonia Beauchamp, *Assistant Crown Attorney*
Tony Paciocco, *Edelson Foord Law*

10:35 – 10:55 Exhibitor Showcase Break (20 minutes)

10:55 – 11:40 Impaired Driving Update (45 minutes)

Panelists: James Foord, *Edelson Foord Law*
Brandon Crawford, *Edelson Foord Law*

11:40 – 12:25	Advocacy Panel (45 minutes)
Panelists:	Kirstin Macrae, <i>Bayne Sellar Ertel Macrae</i> Kate Irwin, <i>May Irwin Miller & Associates</i> Samantha Robinson, <i>Robinson Criminal Law</i>
12:25 – 1:45	LUNCH (80 minutes)
1:45 – 2:15	DCAO Annual General Meeting - Members Only (30 minutes)
2:15 – 3:00	Jury Selection Post Bill C-75, and <i>R v Chouhan</i> (45 minutes)
Panelists:	Justice Kevin Phillips, <i>Superior Court of Justice</i> Michael Johnston, <i>Shore & Johnston, Barristers at Law</i> Jon Fuller, <i>Assistant Crown Attorney</i>
3:00 – 3:45	We are not ICE-holes but... Everything you need to know about how immigration, citizenship and passport regulations impact individuals with criminal charges (45 Minutes) Ayesha Kumararatne, <i>Kumararatne Law</i> Courtney Shields, <i>Kumararatne Law</i>
3:45 – 5:30	Leisure Time
5:30 – 7:00	Hospitality Suite in Heritage Room
7:00 – 9:45	Dinner in L'Outaouais Room
	Presentation of the Bill Carroll Award 2025
	Keynote Speaker – Senator Kim Pate
	A Graham Murray Original Film
9:45 – 1:00	Hospitality Suite in Heritage Room featuring DJ Kwame
	Your 2025 Conference Planning Committee Ewan Lyttle, Chair Shira Brass Connie D'Angelo

Jon Doody
Lauren Konarowski
Paolo Giancaterino
Kim Hyslop
Cassandra Richards
Ariya Sheivari

Sunday, October 19, 2025

9:00 – 9:50 Seven Under Seven (50 minutes)

Moderator: Ariya Sheivari, *Addelman Baum Gilbert*
Judge: Regional Senior Justice Vincent Clifford
Panelists: Nevada McEniry-Hatajlo, *Kimberley Pegg Professional Corporation*
 Hannah Colbert, *AGP*
 Florence Beaubien, *Davies McMahon LLP*
 Ahmad Hamzeh, *Ahmad Hamzeh Law*
 Mark Sindle, *Russomanno Hyslop LLP*
 Kate Dossetor, *Addelman Baum Gilbert*
 Jayme Newton, *David Anber's Law Office*

9:50 – 10:20 Top 10 Charter Decisions in the Last Year (30 Minutes)

Panelists: Mark Ertel, *Bayne Sellar Ertel Macrae*
 Meaghan McMahon, *Davies McMahon LLP*

10:20 – 11:05 The rule of Law, Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Reconciliation (45 Minutes)

Panelists: Antoine Collins, Tribunal Member, Immigration and Refugee Board
 Jacqueline Beckles, *General Counsel, DOJ Canada*
 Jennifer Ho, *Kimberley Pegg Professional Corporation*
 Siobhain Wetscher, *Assistant Crown Attorney*

11:05 - 11:15 Nutrition Break (10 minutes)

11:15 – 12:00 Update from the Benches (45 minutes)

Panelists: Justice Kerry McVey, *Superior Court of Justice*
 Justice Julie Bourgeois, *Ontario Court of Justice*

12:00 – 12:45 Using AI in your Legal Practice (45 minutes)

Panelists: Cassandra Richards, *Bayne Sellar Ertel Macrae*
 Eric Neubauer, *Neubauer Law*

Amy Salyzyn, *Associate Professor, University of Ottawa*

12:45 – 12:50

Closing Remarks