



24th EAST REGION SOLICITORS CONFERENCE 2018
FAIRMONT LE CHÂTEAU MONTEBELLO
FRIDAY, MAY 11th – SATURDAY, MAY 12th, 2018

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9:00 - 9:15 **Opening Remarks**
 Kathleen Robichaud, Conference Co-Chair

9:15 – 10:05 **YEAR IN REVIEW SNAPPERS - Potpourri of Case Comments**

MODERATOR: KATHLEEN ROBICHAUD

1. **Review of *Royal Host v. 1842259 Ont. Ltd.*** (covenants to insure)
Stephanie Ruta, *SR Law Office*
2. ***Kenneth F. Salomon, et al. v. Judith Matte-Thompson, et al.*, 2017 CanLII 66743**
(SCC) (professional liability)
Alessia Petricone-Westwood, *Nelligan O'Brien Payne LLP*
3. **Nelligan Moot Winners: *Mann v. Canadian Tire* 2016 ONSC 4926**
Anders Hoenisch, *Student, University of Ottawa*
Gurvir Sangha, *Student, University of Ottawa*
4. **Online advertising for Creditors in an Estate** (Estate of Carrol Allen Dale Ontario
Superior Court of Justice order)
Diana Tebby, *Mann Lawyers LLP*
5. ***Wood v. Fred Deely Imports Ltd.*, 2017 ONCA 158** (unenforceable termination clause
in an employment contract)
Kim Patenaude, *Raven, Cameron, Ballantyne & Yazbeck LLP/s.r.l.*
6. ***Biancaniello v. DMCT* 2017 ONCA 386** (mutual releases)
Kate Craner, *Kelly Santini LLP/s.r.l.*

10:05 – 11:05 REAL ESTATE – PART 1

MODERATOR: LYNN LE MESURIER

- 1. Ten Quick Tips/Updates**
Lynn Le Mesurier, *Vice & Hunter LLP*
- 2. Updates to the *Construction Lien Act***
Fraser Mackinnon Blair, *Dentons Canada LLP*
- 3. Waterfront Property Refresher**
Kathleen Robichaud, *Sole Practitioner*

11:05 – 11:25 EXHIBITOR SHOWCASE

11:25 – 12:30 MULTI-PRACTICE/MISCELLANEOUS

MODERATOR: HARLAND TANNER

- 1. Troubling Personal and Environmental Liabilities for Directors and Officers**
Charles Birchall, *Willms & Shier Environmental Lawyers LLP*
- 2. New Trends in an Employer's Duty to Accommodate**
Alan Riddell, *Soloway Wright LLP*
- 3. Running a Proper AGM**
Sylvie Lalonde, *Drache Aptowitzer LLP*
- 4. Update on Will Check**
Brenda Lauritzen, *CCLA Reference Librarian*

12:30 - 1:40 LUNCH

1:40 – 3:00 ESTATES

MODERATOR: DOUGLAS BUCHMAYER

- 1. Thoughts from the Bench**
Justice Robert Smith, *Superior Court of Justice*
- 2. Profiling the Estate and Incapacity Implications of Digital and Other Unique Assets**
Carol Willes, *BMO Wealth Management*
- 3. The Latest Jointly Held Property Case**
Amy Alksnis, *Brazeau Seller LLP*
- 4. Update on ODSP and Related Issues**
Douglas Buchmayer, *Gowling WLG*
- 5. New Definitions of Family and Children – Time to Update your Precedents**
Erin McNamara, *McNamara Law*

3:00 - 3:20 **EXHIBITOR SHOWCASE**

3:20 – 4:20 **TECHNOLOGY (Issues for your Practice)**

MODERATOR: **HEATHER AUSTIN-SKARET**

1. Cloud Computing and Data Security

Ian Hu, *LawPRO*

2. Cloud Storage and User License Agreements

Barbara Lippett, *B.F. Lippett Professional Corporation*

3. Crypto Currencies and Smart Contracts Primer (Bitcoin)

Anna Keller, *Dentons Canada LLP*

4:20 – 5:20 **TAX PANEL**

MODERATOR: **RUSSELL GIBSON**

Speakers

Chad Saikaley, *GGFL Chartered Professional Accountants*

Boyd Aitken, *Gibsons LLP*

Ian Pryor, *Pryor Tax Law*

Description: The following presentations will be provided from the perspective of advising small and medium size (SME) corporations and businesses followed by time for questions from the attendees, including via the conference APP:

1. State of Tax Changes announced last year, and the timing (including transition rules), as related to the release of Federal Budget 2018 in mid-to-late March, including a brief summary of “income sprinkling” proposals and “cross border” issues.
2. “Hot Button” CRA issues – “Introduction” of a reasonableness test (based on the past application of reasonableness test and REOP) and the application of the attribution rules on SMEs.
3. Advising Clients on New Changes from budget: Budget changes and planning issues arising as a result of the budget from a technical perspective, with an emphasis on small corporations and businesses.

6:00 – 7:00 **TitlePLUS Hospitality Suite - The Heritage Room**

7:00 – 10:00 **Dinner in l’Outaouais Room**
Presentation of the Abe Feinstein Solicitor Award

10:00 – 1:00 **Stewart Title Hospitality Suite - The Heritage Room**
Entertainment: Ambush

SATURDAY, MAY 12th, 2018

9:00 – 10:00 REAL ESTATE - PART 2

MODERATOR: MERREDITH MACLENNAN

- 1. Problems on Closing – Dealing with Closing Day Issues**
Sid Troister, *Torkin Manes LLP*
- 2. Condominium Act Amendments: A Brave New (Condo) World**
Christy Allen, *Davidson Houle Allen LLP Condominium Law*
- 3. A Lot from the D.O.T.**
Jeffrey Lem, *Director of Titles, Ontario Ministry of Government and Consumer Services*

10:00 – 11:10 PRACTICE

MODERATOR: JULIA HEINTZMAN

- 1. The Challenge of Racialized Lawyers in the Private Practice of Law**
Stéphane A. MonPremier, *MonPremier Professional Corporation*
- 2. How Millennials Work and How Our Clients are Changing**
Maurizio Romanin, *LawyerDoneDeal Corp.*
- 3. Current Issues Affecting Lawyer's Health**
Doron Gold, *Homewood Health*

11:10 – 11:30 EXHIBITOR SHOWCASE BREAK

11:30 – 12:30 CORPORATE/COMMERCIAL

MODERATOR: FRANK TANNER

- 1. Corporate and Commercial: Quick Tips and Legislative Updates**
Sarah Saad, *Rasmussen Starr Ruddy LLP*
- 2. Health and Welfare Trusts in Lieu of Private Benefit Plans**
Mitchell Leitman, *Rasmussen Starr Ruddy LLP*
- 3. Primer on Contest Rules for Companies Doing Promotions**
Gordon Greenwood, *Maclaren Corlett LLP*
- 4. Franchise Law – What you don't know CAN hurt you!**
Sylvie Patenaude, *Sicotte Guilbault*

12:30 – 12:40 CONCLUDING REMARKS & EXHIBITOR PRIZE DRAW
Lynn Le Mesurier, Conference Co-Chair
Karen Reid, CCLA President

Your 2018 Planning Committee

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