



24th ANNUAL INSTITUTE OF FAMILY LAW
Friday, May 8 – Saturday, May 9, 2015
Fairmont Le Château Montebello

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- 9:00 - 9:05** **Welcome!**
Pam MacEachern, *Conference Co-Chair*
Mimi Marrello, *Conference Co-Chair*
Steven Gaon, *CCLA President*
- Moderator:** **Mimi Marrello**
- 9:05 – 9:25** **Primer on Evidence in Family Trials**
Justice Julianne Parfett, *Superior Court of Justice*
- 9:25 – 9:40** **How to Deal with Experts**
Ian Vallance, *Victor Ages Vallance LLP*
- 9:40 – 10:10** **Mental Health Issues and Psychological Aspects of Separation**
Valerie Morinville, *Social Work Services*
- 10:10 – 10:25** **Entitlement and Quantum of Spousal Support in High Income Situations**
Jennifer Johnston, *Burke-Robertson LLP*
Jane Murray, *Burke-Robertson LLP*
- 10:25 - 10:45** **Networking Break & Exhibitor Showcase**
- Moderator:** **Diana Carr**
- 10:45 - 11:15** **The Hague Convention and Child Abduction**
Professor Nick Bala, *Queens University, Kingston*
- 11:15 – 11:35** **Maher Agreements: Domestic Contracts and Enforceability**
Professor Natasha Bakht, *Faculty of Common Law, University of Ottawa*

- 11:35 – 11:55** **Aboriginal Property Rights**
Professor Sarah Morales, *Faculty of Common Law, University of Ottawa*
- 11:55 – 12:10** **The Law Society's New Conflict of Interest Rule**
Professor Alain Roussy, *Faculty of Common Law, University of Ottawa*
- 12:10 – 12:15** **Institute Donation: Ten Oaks Summer Camp**
- 12:15 - 1:30** **LUNCH**
- Moderator:** **Kerri Ross**
- 1:30 – 1:50** **Unbundling of Legal Services**
Janet Minor, *Treasurer, Law Society of Upper Canada*
- 1:50 – 2:10** **Family Lawyer Negligence Issues**
Yvonne Bernstein, *LawPRO*
- 2:10 – 2:25** **Best Practices**
Sarah Kennedy, *Sarah Kennedy Law*
Marta Siemiarczuk, *Nelligan O'Brien Payne LLP*
- 2:25 – 3:15** **Legal Writing: Advising Your Client and Persuading the Court**
Virginia McRae, *Faculty of Common Law, University of Ottawa*
- 3:15 – 3:25** **Changes to the Family Law Rules**
Jane Murray, *Burke-Robertson LLP*
- 3:25 - 3:45** **Networking Break & Exhibitor Showcase**
- Moderator:** **Hunter Phillips**
- 3:45 – 4:15** **Applicability of *Kerr v. Baranow* Principles to Married Couples**
Alf Mamo, *McKenzie Lake Lawyers, London*

4:15 – 4:40

Short Snappers

- **Jane Conte Professional Corp. v. Josephine Smith – Collecting Legal Fees**
Stephanie White, *Warren Camacho LLP*
- **Hamilton Health Sciences Corp. v. D.H. – Child Protection Issues**
Tanya Parker Wallace, *Galarneau & Associates Professional Corporation*
- **Drafting “Enforcement Friendly” Support Orders**
Allan Hirsch, *Waverley Law Offices*
- **Use and Misuse of Social Media in Family Law Proceedings**
Michael Crystal, *Spiteri & Ursulak LLP*

Moderator:

Gerry Yemensky

4:40 – 5:25

Property and Income Determination Panel - Questions for Valuation Experts

Panellists:

JC Desnoyers, *SME Business Appraisers Inc.*
Steve Pittman, *Raymond Chabot Grant Thornton*

5:25 – 5:30

The Rant

5:30 – 7:00

Hospitality Suite (Heritage Room - Outbuilding)

7:00 – 9:30

Dinner in Dining Room

9:30 – 1:00

**Hospitality Suite (Heritage Room - Outbuilding)
Music with The Verdict**

Saturday, May 9, 2015

7:00 AM **Lifestyle Fun Run (Start at the Front Entrance of Hotel)
Organized by Diana Carr**

Moderator: **Justice Adriana Doyle**

9:00 – 9:20 **Using *Hryniak* (Summary Judgments) in Family Law
Cases**
Justice Lise Parent, *Ontario Court of Justice, Brampton*

9:20 – 9:25 **State of the Union for the East Region**
RSJ James McNamara, *Superior Court of Justice*

9:25 – 10:10 **Access to Family Justice, Best Practices & Recent
Changes in Family Law**
Chief Justice Heather Forster Smith, *Superior Court of
Justice, Toronto*
Justice George Czutrin, *Senior Justice of the Family Court,
Superior Court of Justice, Toronto*
RSJ James McNamara, *Superior Court of Justice*

10:10 – 10:20 **Case Management Project – An Update**
Justice Jennifer Mackinnon, *Superior Court of Justice*
Julie Audet, *ALT Divorce - Audet Professional Corporation*

10:20 – 10:40 **Networking Break & Exhibitor Showcase**

Moderator: **Lynn Rockman**

10:40 – 11:10 **The Intersection of Family and Criminal Law**
Justice Mitch Hoffman, *Ontario Court of Justice*
Justice Barry Tobin, *Ontario Court of Justice, Windsor*

11:10 – 11:55 **The Year in Review**
Aaron Franks, *Epstein Cole LLP, Toronto*

11:55 – 12:00 **Introduction to the 1st & 2nd Place Winners of The Walsh
Cup**

12:00 – 1:00 **LUNCH**

Moderator: **Sarah Kennedy**

1:00 – 1:20 **Child Support: Some Recent Cases on Determination of
Income**
Julien Payne, *Consultant*

- 1:20 – 1:40** **Contempt of Parenting Issues**
Justice Deborah Chappel, *Superior Court of Justice, Hamilton*
- 1:40 – 2:00** **Child Support for Adult Children**
Justice Jennifer Blishen, *Superior Court of Justice*
- 2:00 – 2:20** **Advocacy Tips**
Justice Jennifer Mackinnon, *Superior Court of Justice*
- 2:20 – 2:30** **Nutrition Break**
- Moderator:** **Pam MacEachern**
- 2:30 – 3:00** **Spousal Support Entitlement**
Professor Rollie Thompson, *Schulich School of Law, Dalhousie University, Halifax*
- 3:00 – 4:10** **Spousal Support Panel**
Moderator: Carol Cochrane, *Low Murchison Radnoff LLP*
- Panelists:** Justice Jennifer Blishen, *Superior Court of Justice*
Justice Deborah Chappel, *Superior Court of Justice*
Justice George Czutrin, *Senior Justice of the Family Court, Superior Court of Justice, Toronto*
Justice Jennifer Mackinnon, *Superior Court of Justice*
- 4:10** **CONCLUDING REMARKS & EXHIBITOR PRIZE DRAW**
Pam MacEachern, *Conference Co-chair*
Mimi Marrello, *Conference Co-Chair*

Your 2015 Conference Planning Committee

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