



2017 Fall Conference

Thursday, October 12th and Friday, October 13th, 2017
Thunder Bay, Ontario

Guest Speaker, Thursday, October 12, 2017, 12:00 p.m.

Dr. Hy Bloom, LL.B., M.D., F.R.C.P.(C.),
Director and C.E.O. of Workplace.Calm,
consultants in workplace conflict and violence

Hy Bloom, LLB, MD, FRCP(C) is a forensic psychiatrist and lawyer who assesses individuals who have mental illnesses and outstanding criminal charges. He is a founding member of the PSILEX Group, Consultants in Behavioural Sciences and the Law, and CEO of Workplace.Calm, Inc., an outfit that specializes in assessing and managing mental health and behavioural issues in the workplace. He is also a part-time staff member in the Complex Mental Illness/Forensic Services Program at the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health, an assistant professor in the Department of Medicine at the University of Toronto, an assistant clinical professor in the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioural Neurosciences at McMaster University, and adjunct faculty at University of Toronto's Law Faculty. Dr. Bloom is both an alternate chairperson and psychiatric member of both the Ontario and Nunavut Review Boards. He was called to the Bar of Ontario in 1980. He has published on many topics in psychiatry and the law.

He has co-authored and co-edited a number of books and manuals in the area of psychiatry and law, including, *Defending Mentally Disordered Persons* (Toronto: Carswell, 1995), *A Practical Guide to Mental Health Capacity and Consent Law of Ontario* (Toronto: Carswell, 1996), *Mental Disorder and the Law: A Primer for Legal and Mental Health Practitioners* (Toronto: Irwin Law, 2006; 2nd edition, September 2017), *Mental Health Courts: Decriminalizing the Mentally Ill* (Toronto: Irwin Law, 2007), *Essential Writings in Violence Risk Assessment and Management* (Toronto: CAMH, 2007), and *Law and Mental Disorder: A Comprehensive and Practical Approach* (Toronto: Irwin Law, 2013)

Guest Speaker, Friday, October 13, 2017, 12:00 p.m.

Bob Rae, LLB.,
Partner – Olthuis Kleer Townshend LLP

**Recent developments in indigenous law and policy which will have
a direct impact on Thunder Bay and Northern Ontario**

Bob Rae is a partner at Olthuis Kleer Townshend LLP and teaches law and public policy at the University of Toronto. He has published several books, most recently *What's Happened to Politics?* He was the Premier of Ontario from 1990 to 1995, and interim leader of the Liberal Party from 2011 to 2013.

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Thursday, October 12, 2017

8:00 a.m. Registration

9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. - FAMILY LAW (substantive hours – Professional hours)

Dr. Fred Schmidt, Ph.D., C. Psych. *The Children's Centre and Kevin Cleghorn, The Law Office of Kevin Cleghorn - Parental Alienation Syndrome*
Dr. Hy Bloom, LL.B., M.D., F.R.C.P.(C.) *CEO of Workplace.Calm - Dealing with Difficult, Vexatious, and, at times, Querulous Unrepresented Litigants (As if Family Law Wasn't Tough Enough Already)*
Aaron Franks, *Epstein Cole LLP - The Year in Review*
Claudia Belda, *Family Law Liaison Committee Annual Update*
Daniel Melamed, or Lindsay Mills *Torkin Manes LLP Adult Child Support in the Context of Disability*
The Honourable Mr. Justice Bruce Fitzpatrick, *Superior Court of Justice Dos and Don'ts- The Changing Climate of the Family Law Bar*

10:30 a.m.- 10:45 a.m. - REFRESHMENT BREAK SPONSORED BY
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12:00 p.m.-1:15 p.m. -LUNCH SPONSORED BY



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**“The Ins and Outs of Psychiatric Expertise:
How to Hire and Harness the Value of Your Expert”**

2:45 p.m.-3:00 p.m. - REFRESHMENT BREAK SPONSORED BY



9:00 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. - REAL ESTATE (substantive hours – Professional hours)

Maurizio Romanin, *Lawyer Done Deal – “Two New Directions in Tort: Proving Mental Injury and Battling Causation Challenges”*
Lisa Weinstein, *LawPro – “What's New”*
John McDonald, *John McDonald Law Office – “Land Transfer Tax Rebates – The “How To”*
Merredith MacLennan, *Stewart Title – “Spouses, Parents and General Tips”*
Lisa Weinstein, *LawPro – “The Complexities of Condos and the Importance of Title Insurance”*
Alison Gorham and Susan Halenda, *Ministry of Finance – “Land Transfer Tax”*
Jeffrey Lem, *Director of Titles for the Province of Ontario and William Little, – “2017 Directives from the Land Registry Office”*
Jennifer Connell – *Teranet – “Teraview of the Future”*

9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. - LABOUR LAW (3 Substantive Hours – 30 min Professional Hours)

1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. EMPLOYMENT LAW (3.15 Substantive Hours – 15 min Professional Hours)

LABOUR LAW MORNING (9:00 – 12:00) The Six-Minute Labour Lawyer 2017 (Replay) Another busy year has brought significant provincial and federal arbitration, labour board, and court cases. If you've missed any of the analysis, then you can't afford to miss our annual update. Arbitrators, labour board adjudicators, union counsel, and management lawyers form the backbone of our panel, providing you with valuable commentary on a wide range of topics, from changes to labour laws to the latest cases on the duty to accommodate in the workplace.

EMPLOYMENT LAW AFTERNOON (1:30 – 4:30) The Six-Minute Employment Lawyer 2017 (Replay) It's been a busy year in employment law; the courts have issued a number of important rulings. And when you know about the new court and tribunal decisions, you strengthen the quality of advice you can deliver to your employer and employee clients. Our presenters are experienced counsel and experts from related fields, and the fast-paced format of this program means you hear about a wide range of topics in a short period of time. When you add in the instructive written materials, this resource is the perfect choice to help you stay on top of your game.

4:30 p.m. ~ WINE & CHEESE RECEPTION SPONSORED BY

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Friday, October 13, 2017

8:00 a.m. Registration

9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. - CRIMINAL LAW (substantive hours – Professional hours)

A discussion panel featuring Justice J.L. Pelletier O.C.J. and Anna Betty Achneepineskum, Deputy Grand Chief of the Nishnabe Aski Nation together with Rachelle Pelletier and Precious Anderson, Graduation Coaches for First Nation students at our local high schools – **Race Relations in Thunder Bay, and our Criminal Courts – It is really (as a recent *Macleans* magazine cover says) “Civil War”?** Justice Pelletier will also review specifics surrounding procedure in the new Indigenous People’s Court.
“The Round-Up” – Your need-to-know review of the year’s high-points in criminal law, featuring the hard work of our bar’s junior members: Art Acosta, Heather Salter, and Lianne Roberge.

9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m. - CIVIL LAW (substantive hours – Professional hours)

TBA – The Advocates’ Society “Guide for Lawyers Working with Indigenous People and Issues”
Erik Knutsen, *Queen’s Faculty of Law* – “Two New Directions in Tort: Proving Mental Injury and Battling Causation Challenges”
David Porter, *Jensen Hughes* – “Drones and Forensic Engineering”
Jordan Lester, *Cheadles LLP* and Dan Lester, *White Macgillivray Lester LLP – SLAPP Flight*
Douglas Treihard, *Buset & Partners LLP* – “Judicial Duty”
Lori Kruse, *Petrone and Partners* - “Keeping your Practice Alive and Well: Communication Basics”
Regional Senior Justice Bonnie Warkentin, *Superior Court of Justice, Thunder Bay* – “Meaningful and Proactive Pre-Trial Processes”
Derek Zulianello, *Buset & Partners LLP*; Regional Senior Justice Bonnie Warkentin, *Superior Court of Justice*; Kevin Cleghorn, *The Law Office of Kevin Cleghorn, Tracey Nieckarz, Buset & Partners LLP*; Kathleen Comisso, *Buset & Partners LLP* - “The Great Joy of Dealing with Self-Represented Litigants”
Duncan Macgillivray, *White Macgillivray Lester LLP*– “The Year of the LAT”

9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. - CORPORATE/COMMERCIAL LAW

Parry Chhana, LSUC spot auditor “How To Make A Spot Audit Run Smoothly”
Ms. Jennifer Whelan & Mr. Jason Williams, *BDO LLP Tax Partners* “New Rules Impacting your Practice—WIP inclusion”
Ms. Jennifer Whelan & Mr. Jason Williams, *BDO LLP Tax Partners* “New Rules Impacting your Practice—Proposed Changes to Private Corporations”

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1:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m. - ESTATES LAW (1.0 substantive hour – .45 mins. Professional hours)

Ian Hull and Suzana Popovic-Montag, *Hull & Hull LLP* “Taking Will Instructions and Proper Reporting: A Seasoned Approach for Drafting Solicitors”
Part 1: Introduction; Client Intake procedures; Obtaining information from clients
Part 2: Joint retainer issues; Draft documents reviews with client
Ian Hull and Suzana Popovic-Montag, *Hull & Hull LLP* “Audience Q & A”

2:45 p.m.–3:00 p.m. - REFRESHMENT BREAK SPONSORED BY



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