

2025 Fall Conference October 30th & 31th

Keynote Speaker

Thursday, October 30, 2025
12:30 PM - 1:15 PM
Honourable Doug Downey, Attorney General of
Ontario

(CPD Credits pending)





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Friday, October 31, 2025 12:30PM - 1:15 PM Honourable Michael H. Tulloch, Chief Justice of Ontario

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Honourable Doug Downey, Attorney General of Ontario (CPD Credits pending)

Civil Program - 9:00 AM to 3:15 PM

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(Program Co-Chairs: Katy Commisso, Dan Lester)

9:00 - 9:05 AM Opening Remarks

9:05 - 9:35 AM Employment 101 - Warren Mouck Mouck Workplace Law

9:35 - 10:10 AM Considerations under the *Occupiers' Liability Act & Municipal Act -* **Joel McCoy Bergmanis Preya**

10:10 - 10:30 AM Feet on the Ground - Investigations and Statements - Christian Gallant

10:30 - 10:45 AM COFFEE BREAK (15 mins)

10:45 - 11:30 AM New Civil Rules - Justice Cary Boswell Court of Appeal for Ontario 11:30 AM - 12:00 PM Robinson Superior Treaty Litigation - Case Overview & the Importance of Ceremony Throughout the Process - Michael Strickland Buset LLP, Chief Michele Solomon Fort William First Nation, Elder Marcel Donio

12:00 - 1:15 PM LUNCH & KEYNOTE SPEAKER

1:15 - 1:50 PM Insurance Coverage Issues & Considerations - Erik Knutsen Queen's University Faculty of Law

1:50 - 2:15 PM Update from the Bench & Tips for Civil Litigators - **Justice Robin Lepere Superior Court of Justice**

2:15 - 3:00 PM Presentation by Court of Appeal Justices - Justice Darla A. Wilson, Justice Sally A. Gomery Court of Appeal for Ontario

3:00 - 3:15 PM COFFEE BREAK (15 mins)

3:15 - 4:25 PM Court of Appeal Round Table Discussion

4:25 - 4:30 PM Closing Remarks

Thursday, October 30, 2025 **Keynote Luncheon Speaker**

12:30 PM - 1:15 PM

Honourable Doug Downey, Attorney General of Ontario (CPD Credits pending)

Estates Program - 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM

(CPD Credits pending)

(Program Chair: Fhara Pottinger)

9:00 - 9:05 AM Opening Remarks

9:05 - 9:50 AM Update on Joint Accounts - Kim Whaley WEL Partners

9:50 - 10:30 AM The Client Interview - Preliminary Considerations and Steps During the Interview, and High Risk Instructions for Wills - Ian M. Hull, LSM Hull & Hull LLP, Suzana Popovic-Montag Hull & Hull LLP, Jordan M. Atin Jordan Atin Professional Corporation, Kim Whaley

10:30 - 10:45 AM COFFEE BREAK (15 mins)

10:45 - 11:45 AM AI and Your Estates Practice - Ian M. Hull, LSM, Suzana Popovic-Montag, Jordan M. Atin, Kim Whaley 11:45 AM - 12:00 PM Wills Storage - Storing, Locating and Disclosing - Ian M. Hull, LSM, Suzana Popovic-Montag, Jordan M. Atin, Kim Whaley **12:00 - 12:15 PM** Question & Answer Session

12:00 - 1:15 PM LUNCH & KEYNOTE SPEAKER

1:30 - 2:30 PM Panel Discussion - Justice Eileen E. Gillese Court of Appeal for Ontario 2:30 - 3:00 PM Disclaimer, Renunciation and Release, Pour over clauses, Forgiving Loans, New contingency planning rules - Ian M. Hull, LSM, Suzana Popovic-Montag, Jordan M. Atin, Kim Whaley, Justice Eileen E. Gillese 3:00 - 3:30 PM LawPRO Update - Ray Leclair LawPRO 3:30 PM Closing Remarks

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Family Program - 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

(CPD Credits pending)

(Program Chair: Margaret Waddington)

9:00 - 10:00 AM Family Law, A Year in Review - Adam Prewer Epstein Cole LLP 10:00 - 10:15 AM Question & Answer Session

10:30 - 10:45 AM COFFEE BREAK (15 mins)

10:45 - 11:15 AM Hard Issues: Spousal Support, Relocation and More - **Rollie Thompson** *Epstein Cole LLP*

11:15 AM - 12:00 PM Question & Answer Session

12:00 - 1:15 PM LUNCH & KEYNOTE SPEAKER

1:30 - 2:00 PM Comments from the Bench - Justice Tracy Niecarkz Superior Court of Justice

2:00 - 2:15 PM Question and Answer Session

2:15 - 3:00 PM From Conflict to Connection: Cultural Competence and Mediative Thinking in Family Law - Mary-Anne Popescu *Ontario Association for Family Mediation (OAFM)*

3:00 - 3:15 PM Question & Answer Session

3:00 - 3:15 PM COFFEE BREAK (15 mins)

3:15 - 4:00 PM Real Estate Considerations in Family Law Agreements - **Kady Stachiw Ruberto Sheikh LLP**

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<u>Labour/Employment - 9:00 AM to 4:30 PM</u>

(CPD Credits = 1 hr 15 min Substantive; 1 hr 15 min Professionalism; 15 min EDI) (Program Co-Chairs: Suraj Dave, Andrew Mawdryk)

9:00 - 10:00 AM Jurisdiction for First Nation Labour Relations, the Sequel - Shawn Bell Edwards Bell Jewitt LLP, Suraj Dave Edwards Bell Jewitt LLP
10:00 - 10:30 AM New Call Caselaw Update - Austin Love Edwards Bell Jewitt LLP,
Bradly Cryderman Ericksons LLP, Dylan Challinor Buset LLP, Matthew Suchan Ericksons LLP

10:30 - 10:45 AM COFFEE BREAK (15 mins)

10:45 - 11:00 AM Arguing *Dufault v Ignace (Township)* - Jordan Lester *Cheadles LLP* 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM Crim-ployment - Brooke Rogers *Atwood Labine LLP*, Suraj Dave

12:00 - 1:15 PM LUNCH & KEYNOTE SPEAKER

1:30 - 2:30 PM Witness Preparation - Garth O'Neill O'Neill Associates LLP
2:30 - 2:45 PM New Call Caselaw Update - Austin Love, Bradly Cryderman, Dylan
Challinor, Matthew Suchan

2:45 - 3:00 PM COFFEE BREAK (15 mins)

3:00 - 3:15 PM New Call Caselaw Update - Austin Love, Bradly Cryderman, Dylan Challinor, Matthew Suchan

3:15 - 4:30 PM The Modern Workplace Investigation Playbook: What lawyers and workplace investigators need to know about conducting and advising on workplace investigations in 2025 - **Hayley Yorke** *O'Neill Associates LLP*

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Corporate - 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

(CPD Credits pending)

(Program Co-Chairs: Jessica Alves, Rob Miault)

9:00 - 10:30 AM Panel Discussion: Pitfalls and important considerations in the Acquisition and Sale of Business - **Steve Blazino** *MNP*, **Donna Bain Smith** *Consulting*, **Michael Strickland** *Buset LLP*

10:30 - 10:45 AM COFFEE BREAK (15 mins)

10:45 - 11:00 AM Updates on the Ontario Court of Appeal - Jacob Bakan Chief Justice
Office - Ontario Court of Appeal, Hayley Pitcher Ontario Court of Appeal
11:00 - 11:50 AM Developments in the law of Fiduciary Duty - Honourable Justice Julie
Thorburn Ontario Court of Appeal
11:50 AM - 12:00 PM Question & Answer Session

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Real Estate - 1:30 to 4:30 PM

(CPD Credits pending)

(Program Co-Chairs: Lydia Leroux, Kady Stachiw)

1:30 - 1:35 PM Opening Remarks

1:35 - 2:05 PM Pricing for Success - Mark Morris Legal Closing.ca Professional

Corporation

2:05 - 2:35 PM LawPRO Update - Ray Leclair LawPRO

2:35 - 2:50 PM COFFEE BREAK (15 mins)

2:50 - 3:20 PM MNP regarding HST on Real Estate Transactions

3:20 - 3:50 PM Cher or Prince - Dealing with Single Name Individuals or Individuals

without Surnames - Kady Stachiw Ruberto Sheikh LLP

3:50 - 4:20 PM Panel - Things You Can't Learn from a Book

Criminal - 1:30 to 4:30 PM

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(Program Chair: Neil McCartney)

1:30 - 2:45 PM "Judges Unbound" - Honourable Helen Pierce

2:45 - 3:00 PM COFFEE BREAK (15 mins)

3:00 - 3:15 PM On Advocacy - George Joseph Petrone & Partners LLP
3:15 - 4:30 PM The Roundup - Carter Juskans Atwood Labine LLP, Sydney Lewis
Habjan Brothers Law Offices, Manon Iwasiw Petrone & Partners LLP, Blain Colquhoun,
Christopher Hutson Habjan Brothers Law Offices

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