

THE CHIEF JUSTICE OF ONTARIO'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON PROFESSIONALISM

## **Thirteenth Colloquium on the Legal Profession**

**Lawyers, Legends, Legacies and Lessons from Ontario Legal History**

**November 1 and 2, 2010**

**9:00 a.m. – 3:45 p.m.**

**This two-day colloquium explores professionalism in Ontario's legal community through legal history and biography. Day one, at historic Osgoode Hall, features a series of historical vignettes showcasing legal legends, their legacies, and the lessons of their fascinating lives. Day two, at the University of Toronto's Centre for the Legal Profession, continues the exploration of the history of legal professionalism in Ontario and highlights the importance and richness of Ontario's legal history.**

### **Schedule of Events**

**DAY ONE:**            **Osgoode Hall  
Donald Lamont Learning Centre  
130 Queen Street West**

**8:30 – 9:20**            **Registration and Refreshments**

**9:20 – 9:30**            **Welcome and Opening Remarks**

Laurie H. Pawlitza  
Treasurer  
*The Law Society of Upper Canada*

The Honourable R. Roy McMurtry  
*Gowling Lafleur Henderson LLP*

9:30 – 10:00

**The Osgoode Society: Legal History and Biography**

Jim Phillips  
Editor-In-Chief  
*Osgoode Society for Canadian Legal History*

10:00 – 10:30

**HISTORICAL VIGNETTES**

**1. Cecil (Caesar) A. Wright**

C. Ian Kyer  
*Fasken Martineau DuMoulin LLP*

**2. Norman Lickers**

Jacqueline Briggs  
Independent Scholar

10:30 – 10:45

**Break**

10:45 – 12:00

**HISTORICAL VIGNETTES**

**3. G. Arthur Martin**

Kent Roach  
Professor, Faculty of Law  
*University of Toronto*

**4. William Perkins Bull**

Deidré Rowe Brown  
*The Law Society of Upper Canada*

**5. Bora Laskin**

Philip Girard  
Professor, Schulich School of Law  
*Dalhousie University*

6. **Vera Parsons**

Mélanie Brunet  
*University of Toronto*

7. **E. Lionel Cross**

Frank Walwyn  
*WeirFoulds LLP*

12:00 – 1:15

**Lunch Break**  
**Upper and Lower Barristers' Lounge**

1:15 – 2:30

8. **Bertha Wilson**

Jamie B. Cameron  
Professor, Osgoode Hall Law School  
*York University*

9. **William Renwick Riddell and Clara Brett Martin**

Constance Backhouse  
Professor, Faculty of Law  
*University of Ottawa*

10. **Joseph Valin**

Sean McGee  
*Association des juristes d'expression française de l'Ontario*  
(AJEFO)

11. **J.L. Cohen**

Laurel MacDowell  
Professor, History Department  
*University of Toronto*

2:30 – 2:45

**Break**

2:45 – 3:30

**HISTORICAL VIGNETTES**

**12. Women’s Law Association of Ontario**

M. Virginia MacLean  
Barrister and Solicitor

**13. Lord Reading Law Club**

Sophia Sperdakos  
*The Law Society of Upper Canada*

**14. Lawyers and Military Service**

W.A. Derry Millar  
*WeirFoulds LLP*

3:30 – 3:45

**Closing Remarks**

4:00 – 5:30

**Walking Tour of Osgoode Hall and  
Reception Convocation Hall**

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for the Legal Profession  
89 Chestnut Street**

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**9:00 – 9:20 Welcome and Opening Remarks**

Mayo Moran  
Dean, Faculty of Law  
*University of Toronto*

**9:20 – 10:15 From Inspiration to Mentorship – Those Who Have Shaped  
the Legal Community**

Jewel Amoah  
Human Rights Officer  
Office of Human Rights and Equity Services  
*McMaster University*

Kate Broer  
*Fraser Milner Casgrain LLP*

Joseph Cheng  
Counsel  
*Department of Justice*

10:15 – 10:30

**Break**

10:30 – 12:00

**ARCHAEOLOGY OF LEGAL PROCEEDINGS:  
IN SEARCH OF PROFESSIONALISM**

**Martin Friedland, Chair**  
Professor, Faculty of Law  
*University of Toronto*

**1. Persons Case**

The Honourable Justice Robert J. Sharpe  
*Court of Appeal for Ontario*

Patricia McMahon  
*Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt LLP*

**2. Manitoba Fisheries Case**

Jim Phillips  
Professor, Faculty of Law  
*University of Toronto*

**3. Commentary**

**Bruce P. Elman**  
Dean, Faculty of Law  
*University of Windsor*

12:00 – 1:15

**Lunch Break**

1:15 – 2:45

**Reflections on Lawyers, Legends, Legacies and Lessons from  
Ontario Legal History**

**The Honourable Justice Stephen T. Goudge, Chair**  
*Court of Appeal for Ontario*

**1. Cecil (Caesar) A. Wright and the Modern Law School**

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**The D.B. Goodman Memorial Lecture:  
Celebrating the Honourable R. Roy McMurtry**

**Introduction by:**

Janet E. Minor  
General Counsel  
*Ministry of the Attorney General  
Constitutional Law Branch*

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