

Law Society of Upper Canada Public Education Equality Series

The Canadian Association of Black Lawyers (CABL) and The Law Society of Upper Canada are pleased to present their annual forum and reception to celebrate Black History Month.

The Rule of Law, Human Rights, and Development in Africa

Wednesday, February 10, 2010
4:00 – 6:00 p.m. (panel discussion)
6:00 – 8:00 p.m. (reception)

The African peoples' struggles for self-determination and racial equality have helped shape international law and many human rights instruments. A panel of speakers will examine various aspects of law, human rights, and development in Africa. Speakers will look at the interconnection between the rule of law and strong human rights protections, and debate the effectiveness of current and past aid strategies in tackling widespread poverty, and achieving sustainable human development in different regions in Africa.

Speakers:

Kim Bernhardt, Barrister and Solicitor (moderator)

Hon. David MacDonald, Former Canadian Ambassador to Ethiopia and Sudan and Canadian African Famine Coordinator

Dr. Obiora C. Okafor, Professor of Law, Osgoode Hall Law School, York University, Toronto

Mark A. A. Warner, Legal Director, Ontario Ministry of Economic Development & Trade and Ministry of Research & Innovation

Reception Keynote Speaker: Dr. Dambisa Moyo

In 2009, TIME Magazine named Dambisa Moyo one of the 100 most influential people in the world. Born in Zambia and educated at Harvard and Oxford, Ms. Moyo contends that aid has made African governments unresponsive to the real needs of their people, props up corrupt governments and, she charges, it has backed regimes that have destroyed some African countries. As described by TIME, Ms. Moyo's book *Dead Aid* is an indictment of the "development industry" for creating destructive aid dependency in Africa. Dambisa Moyo argues for more innovative ways for Africa to finance development including trade with China, accessing the capital markets, and microfinance.

Free admission - Refreshments, light snacks will be served at the reception

Location: The Law Society of Upper Canada, 130 Queen St. West, Toronto
(Enter at east side doors facing Toronto City Hall)

To attend, please register by **February 8, 2010**
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