Continuing Professional Development

Family Law The Renaissance: Family Law Restoration, Reformation, and Transformation

Thursday, August 29, 2013 | 9:00 am to 5:00 pm Date:

Location: Live Webcast Replay of program originally aired on February 8, 2013

Summer Institute Facilitators: Victoria Starr, Starr Family Law

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4.5 Substantive Hours 2.25 Professionalism Hours

Note: New members may apply any program that contains a minimum of **0.5 Professionalism Hours** toward the annual CPD requirement.

We will review some of the trends in the current case law, and how recent decisions have transformed, reformed, or restored basic principles in family law. You will also be provided with practical tips and substantive case law reviews for challenging issues facing family law practitioners. With an address by The Honourable R. John Harper and judges from both courts. As Aaron Franks' "Year in Review" which will provide a review of the important family law cases in the last year. Appearing by video, Sharon Strand Ellison, esteemed author of the book, Taking the War Out of Our Words and creator of the "Powerful Non-Defensive Communication" process. Ms. Strand Ellison will provide insightful strategies and practical tools that will facilitate more effective communication, help to eliminate defensiveness, deescalate conflict and set the framework for meaningful conflict resolution.

Register now to take advantage of this opportunity to get up to date on your CPD hours!

9:00 am Opening Remarks

9:10 am Year in Review

• A review of the important family law cases in the last year Aaron Franks, Epstein Cole LLP

9:30 am Custody and Access Assessments

- The difference between and OCL clinical investigation and s. 30 assessment
- Picking the Assessor
- What to do with an unfavourable assessment or
- Preparing your client for and during the Assessment or OCL Investigation

Melanie Kraft, Epstein Cole LLP

9:50 am **Property Issues**

- Bankruptcy issues
- Real estate issues

Kathryn Hendrikx, David Barristers Professional Corporation Tannis A. Waugh, Tannis A Waugh, Barristers & Solicitor

10:20 am Break

10:35 am Child and Spousal Support

• Variation of Spousal and Child Support Dani Frodis, Dani Z Frodis Barristers Professional

10:55 am Constitutional Challenges

'How to' Basics

Martha McCarthy, Martha McCarthy & Company Jeffrey Wilson, Wilson Christen LLP

11:15 am Property and Trust Issues post Kerr v. Baranow

• Trusts, Unjust Enrichment and Joint Family Ventures Professor Berend Hovius, Faculty of Law, University of Western Ontario - London

11:35 am Collaborative Family Law

A primer

Deborah Graham, Barrister & Solicitor

11:50 am Live Q & A

12:20 pm Break for Lunch

1:20 pm Custody and Access

• Relocation / Mobility Update Professor Rollie Thompson, The Schulich School of Law at Dalhousie University - Halifax

1:50 pm Essentials in Trial Preparation - The Child Protection Trial The Honourable Carole Curtis, Ontario Court of Justice

2:10 pm Domestic Contracts

- Unusual and "new" clauses
- Updating the contracts
- Drafting tips

Daniel Melamed, Torkin Manes LLP

2:30 pm Break

2:50 pm Child and Spousal Support

 Interjurisdictional Support Orders Act Glenda Perry, Glenda S. Perry Law Office - Richmond Hill

3:10 pm The Power of Non-Defensive Communication

Sharon Strand Ellison, Author of the acclaimed book, Taking the War Out of Our Words: The Art of Powerful Non-Defensive Communication

• Strategies and tools on how to de-escalate conflict and how to implement and harness the power of non-defensive communication.

3:40 pm A Judge's View - Technology and the Family Law Rules in the 21st Century

- Standard Form Orders
- Support Information Exchange (SIX)
- Electronic service and Confirmation Forms
- Wikis and disclosure compliance
- Evidence by video conference and skype
- Electronic Court Records
- Online Dispute Resolution and Online Divorces?

The Honourable Heather McGee, Superior Court of Justice -

The Honourable Frances Kiteley, Superior Court of Justice

4:20 pm Senior Family Law Judge Address

The Honourable R. John Harper, Senior Family Judge, Superior Court of Justice

4:30 pm Live Q & A

5:00 pm Program Concludes

*All times are approximate.

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