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# CROWN LAW SYMPOSIUM

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DALHOUSIE UNIVERSITY  
JUNE 13-14, 2023



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# DAY 1 PROGRAM

JUNE 13, 2023 |

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**8:30 AM**

## WELCOMING REMARKS

**Chief Justice Michael Wood** | Chief Justice of Nova Scotia, Nova Scotia Court of Appeal

**Camille Cameron, K.C.** | Professor and Dean, Schulich School of Law

**Michelle Higgins, K.C.** | Associate Deputy Minister, Nova Scotia Department of Justice

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**8:45 AM**

## AFRICAN NOVA SCOTIA JUSTICE INSTITUTE:

### An Introduction and Emerging Issues

**Brandon Rolle** | Senior Legal Counsel, ANSJI

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**10:15 AM BREAK**

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**10:30 AM**

## RECENT SIGNIFICANT CASES: Part 1 of 2

**Meghan Hughes** | Director, Legal Services, AG PEI

**Sheldon Choo** | Lawyer, AG NB

**Chris Whibbs** | Counsel, AG NS

**Eugene Chao** | Counsel, NL

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**11:15 AM**

## ACCESSIBLE COMMUNICATIONS

**Lisa Snider** | Senior Consultant, Accessibility Changes Everything Inc.

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**12:00 PM LUNCH**

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# DAY 1 PROGRAM

**1:00 PM**

## **PLENARY: ESTABLISHING MEANING AND CONTEXT:**

### **Evidence in Legislative Interpretation**

**John Mark Keyes** | Sessional Professor, University of Ottawa  
Author, *Executive Legislation*, 3rd ed.

**Brent Kettles** | Crown Counsel, AG ON

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**2:30 PM BREAK**

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Choose one of "A", "B" and "C"

**2:45 PM**

SESSION "A"

## **LITIGATION: Direct and Cross-Examination**

**Jeremy Smith** | Counsel, AG NS

**John Gillis** | Lawyer, AG NB

SESSION "B"

## **COMMON ISSUES IN GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS**

**Marty Glogier** | Solicitor, AG NS

**Cheryl Scholten** | Lawyer, AG NB

**Todd Stanley, K.C.** | former Deputy Minister of Justice and Public Safety, NL

SESSION "C"

## **CHILD PROTECTION PRACTICES**

**Sanaz Gerami** | Lawyer (Child Protection), NS DoJ

**Mitch O'Shea** | Counsel, AG PEI

**Krista Atkins** | Counsel, AG NL

# DAY 2 PROGRAM

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## GOVERNMENT LAWYERS & LEGAL ETHICS: Embracing Complexity While Maintaining Responsibility

Andrew F. Martin | Professor, Schulich School of Law

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10:00 AM    **BREAK**

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10:15 AM

## EFFECTIVE WRITTEN ADVOCACY

Justice Frances Knickle | Court of Appeal, Newfoundland and Labrador  
Chris Rupar | Chief General Counsel | Dept. of Justice (Canada)

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Chris Whibbs | Counsel, AG NS

Eugene Chao | Counsel, NL

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12:15 PM    **LUNCH**

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1:15 PM

## ADMINISTRATIVE LAW: Noteworthy Developments

Sara Blake | Author, *Administrative Law in Canada*, 7th ed.

Diana Ginn | Professor, Schulich School of Law

**2:30 PM**

**INDIGENOUS RIGHTS, THE CROWN AND  
PUBLIC SECTOR LAWYERS**

**The Hon. Harry LaForme** | Senior Counsel, Olthuis Kleer Townshend LLP  
**Justice Sébastien Grammond** | Federal Court of Canada

**3:30 PM      BREAK**

**3:45 PM**

**THE VIEW FROM THE BENCH**

**Chief Justice Tracey Clements** | Supreme Court of Prince Edward Island  
**Justice Ann Smith** | Supreme Court of Nova Scotia  
**Justice Joel Fichaud** | Nova Scotia Court of Appeal

**4:55 PM**

**CLOSING REMARKS**

**In-Person Registration (\$60) Deadline: Friday, June 2**

No refunds after this date.  
Lunch and refreshments provided.

**Virtual Registration Deadline: Thursday, June 8**

**SYMPOSIUM CO-CHAIRS**

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Agnes E. MacNeil, K.C. | Managing Lawyer, Nova Scotia Department of Justice

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