

November 1, 2023

# Intensive Child Protection Training Primer 2023



CO-CHAIRS: **The Honourable Justice Stanley Sherr**, *Ontario Court of Justice*

**Lorne Glass**, *Glass & Associates*

**November 2 & 3, 2023**

**9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.**

**Total CPD Hours = 8 h 50 m Substantive + 1 h 30 m Professionalism <sup>P</sup>  
+ 3 h 40 m EDI Professionalism <sup>e</sup>**

**Law Society of Ontario  
The Donald Lamont Learning Centre  
130 Queen St. W.  
Toronto, ON**

**SKU CLE23-01101**

## **Agenda**

**Note: Time has been allotted for questions during the sessions throughout Day 1 and Day 2**

**Day 1: November 2, 2023**

**9:00 a.m. – 9:05 a.m.**

**Welcome**

*The Honourable Justice Stanley Sherr, Ontario Court of Justice*

*Lorne Glass, Glass & Associates*

**9:05 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.**

**Basics of a Child Protection Case (15 m  (10 m **)

The Honourable Justice Stanley Sherr, *Ontario Court of Justice*

Lorne Glass, *Glass & Associates*

**10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.**

**Demonstration of First Appearance (5 m **)

The Honourable Justice Robert Spence (Retired), *Ontario Court of Justice*

Robin Leighton, Staff Duty Counsel (Family),  
Toronto North, *Legal Aid Ontario*

Sam Rasim Misheal, *Misheal Law Professional Corporation*

Arthika Srivarapathy, Legal Counsel, *Jewish Family and Child Services*

**10:15 a.m. – 10:40 a.m.**

**Introduction of CAS Affidavit and Next Steps (5 m **)

The Honourable Justice Robert Spence (Retired), *Ontario Court of Justice*

Robin Leighton, Staff Duty Counsel (Family),  
Toronto North, *Legal Aid Ontario*

Sam Rasim Misheal, *Misheal Law Professional Corporation*

Arthika Srivarapathy, Legal Counsel, *Jewish Family and Child Services*

**10:40 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**

**Coffee and Networking Break**

**11:00 a.m. – 11:40 a.m.**

**Demonstration of Temporary Care Hearing and Discussion**  
(5 m **P**) (5 min **e**)

The Honourable Justice Robert Spence (Retired), *Ontario Court of Justice*

Joanna Harris, Legal Counsel, *York Region Children's Aid Society*

Katharina Janczaruk, Barrister & Solicitor

Mary Reilly, *Law Office of T. Edgar Reilly*

**11:40 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.**

**Making the Finding "In Need of Protection"** (10 m **P**)  
(5 m **e**)

Moderator: Peter Marshall, CEO and Legal Director, *Recovery Science Corporation*

Panelists: The Honourable Justice Robert Spence (Retired), *Ontario Court of Justice*

Colin Tobias, Barrister & Solicitor

**12:15 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.**

**Lunch and Speaker**

**(12:45 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.)**

**My Experiences on the Bench and as a Child Protection Lawyer**

The Honourable Justice Roselyn Zisman (Retired), *Ontario Court of Justice*

**1:15 p.m. – 1:50 p.m.**

**Case Conference Demonstration** (5 m **P**) (5 min **e**)

The Honourable Justice Michelle Cheung, *Ontario Court of Justice*

Sam Garcea, *Confente Garcea*

Lisa LaBorde, Barrister & Solicitor

Katie Skinner, Legal Counsel, *Children's Aid Society of Toronto*

**1:50 p.m. – 2:20 p.m.**

**Demonstration of Challenging Hearsay in a Society Affidavit (5 m **)

The Honourable Justice Michelle Cheung, *Ontario Court of Justice*

Renatta Austin, *Renatta Austin Professional Corporation*

Yvonne Fiamengo, Legal Counsel, *Children's Aid Society of Toronto*

**2:20 p.m. – 2:55 p.m.**

**Demonstration of Challenging an Expert's Credentials and Discussion (5 m **)

The Honourable Justice Michelle Cheung, *Ontario Court of Justice*

Haley Gaber-Katz, Senior Legal Counsel, *Jewish Family and Child Services*

Stephanie Giannandrea, Staff Lawyer, *Justice for Children and Youth*

Dr. Randy Katz, Ph.D., C. Psych, *The Clinic on Dupont*

Tammy Law, Barrister & Solicitor

**2:55 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.**

**Coffee and Networking Break**

**3:15 p.m. – 3:50 p.m.**

**Demonstration of Cross-examination of the Expert and Discussion (5 m )**

The Honourable Justice Michelle Cheung, *Ontario Court of Justice*

Haley Gaber-Katz, Senior Legal Counsel, *Jewish Family and Child Services*

Stephanie Giannandrea, Staff Lawyer, *Justice for Children and Youth*

Dr. Randy Katz, Ph.D., C. Psych, *The Clinic on Dupont*

Tammy Law, Barrister & Solicitor

**3:50 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.**

**Demonstration of Challenging Children’s Statements (5 m )**

The Honourable Justice Michelle Cheung, *Ontario Court of Justice*

Renatta Austin, *Renatta Austin Professional Corporation*

Yvonne Fiamengo, Legal Counsel, *Children’s Aid Society of Toronto*

Patric Senson, Office of the Children’s Lawyer, *Ministry of the Attorney General*

**4:30 p.m.**

**Day 1 Ends**

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**Day 2: November 3, 2023**

**9:00 a.m. – 9:05 a.m.**

**Welcome**

*The Honourable Justice Stanley Sherr, Ontario Court of Justice*

*Lorne Glass, Glass & Associates*

**9:05 a.m. – 9:20 a.m.**

**The Intersections of Racism, Colonialism, and the Child Welfare System (15 m 🕒)**

The Honourable Justice Jessica A. Wolfe, *Ontario Court of Justice*

Maureen Bulbrook, Indigenous Counsel, Office of the Children's Lawyer, *Ministry of the Attorney General*

Sarah Clarke, *Clarke Child & Family Law Professional Corporation*

Alexis Kinnear, Senior Counsel, *Child and Family Services of Grand Erie*

Christina Ninham, *Ninham Law Office*

**9:20 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.**

**Demonstration of Temporary Care and Custody Motion Argument (1 h 10 m 🕒)**

The Honourable Justice Jessica A. Wolfe, *Ontario Court of Justice*

Maureen Bulbrook, Indigenous Counsel, Office of the Children's Lawyer, *Ministry of the Attorney General*

Sarah Clarke, *Clarke Child & Family Law Professional Corporation*

Alexis Kinnear, Senior Counsel, *Child and Family Services of Grand Erie*

Christina Ninham, *Ninham Law Office*

**10:30 a.m. – 10:50 a.m.**

**Coffee and Networking Break**

**10:50 a.m. – 11:35 a.m.**

**Demonstration of Summary Judgment Motion Argument (45 m  )**

The Honourable Justice Jessica A. Wolfe, *Ontario Court of Justice*

Maureen Bulbrook, Indigenous Counsel, Office of the Children's Lawyer, *Ministry of the Attorney General*

Sarah Clarke, *Clarke Child & Family Law Professional Corporation*

Alexis Kinnear, Senior Counsel, *Child and Family Services of Grand Erie*

Christina Ninham, *Ninham Law Office*

**11:35 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

**Review of Critical Issues (25 m  )**

The Honourable Justice Jessica A. Wolfe, *Ontario Court of Justice*

Maureen Bulbrook, Indigenous Counsel, Office of the Children's Lawyer, *Ministry of the Attorney General*

Sarah Clarke, *Clarke Child & Family Law Professional Corporation*

Alexis Kinnear, Senior Counsel, *Child and Family Services of Grand Erie*

Christina Ninham, *Ninham Law Office*

**12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.**

**Lunch and Speaker**

**(12:30 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.)**

**Advocacy in Indigenous Law Cases (10 m  )**

The Honourable Justice Jessica A. Wolfe, *Ontario Court of Justice*



**1:00 p.m. – 1:05 p.m.**

**Child Protection Association**

Katharina Janczaruk, Barrister & Solicitor

**1:05 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.**

**Child Protection Mediation and ADR (5 m **P**)**

The Honourable Justice Danielle Szandtner, *Ontario Court of Justice*

Deborah Stewart, Barrister & Solicitor

**1:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

**Trial Management Conference: Determining the Type and Format of the Hearing: Summary Judgment, Focused Hearing or Full Trial (5 m **P**) (10 m **E**)**

The Honourable Justice William Sullivan, *Ontario Court of Justice*

Simon Fisch, *Clarke Child & Family Law Professional Corporation*

Lauren Israel, Barrister & Solicitor

**2:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.**

**Preparation for Trial (5 m **P**) (5 m **E**)**

Moderator: Lorne Glass, *Glass & Associates*

Panelists: The Honourable Justice William Sullivan, *Ontario Court of Justice*

Martha Chamberlain, Barrister & Solicitor

Imran Kamal, C.S., Counsel, Crown Law Office - Civil, *Ministry of the Attorney General*

Gilead Kay, *Kay Family Law and Mediation*

**2:30 p.m. – 2:50 p.m.**

**Opening Statement Demonstration (5 m )**

The Honourable Justice William Sullivan, *Ontario Court of Justice*

Martha Chamberlain, Barrister & Solicitor



Imran Kamal, C.S., Counsel, Crown Law Office - Civil,  
*Ministry of the Attorney General*

Gilead Kay, *Kay Family Law and Mediation*

**2:50 p.m. – 3:10 p.m.**

**Coffee and Networking Break**

**3:10 p.m. – 3:40 p.m.**

**Demonstration of a Cross-examination of a Society Worker (5 m ) (5 m )**

The Honourable Justice Sheilagh O’Connell, Senior Advisory Family Judge, *Ontario Court of Justice*

Karen Ksienski, Counsel, *Catholic Children’s Aid Society of Toronto*

Paula McGirr, Senior Counsel, Family Law Service Centre-Toronto North, *Legal Aid Ontario*

Ricardo Theoduloz, MSW, RSW, Social Worker,  
Psychotherapist, Private Practice

**3:40 p.m. – 4:10 p.m.**

**Demonstration of a Direct Examination of a Parent (5 m )**

The Honourable Justice Sheilagh O’Connell, Senior Advisory Family Judge, *Ontario Court of Justice*

M. Keyshawn Anderson, Barrister & Solicitor

Karen Ksienski, Counsel, *Catholic Children's Aid Society of Toronto*

Stephanie Okola, *Okola Law Professional Corporation*

**4:10 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.**

**Ten Takeaways and Wrap-Up (5 m<sup>P</sup>)**

The Honourable Justice Stanley Sherr, *Ontario Court of Justice*

Lorne Glass, *Glass & Associates*

**4:30 p.m.**

**Program Ends**