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The Eight-Minute Environmental Lawyer 2024



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1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Total CPD Hours = 3 h 30 m Substantive

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

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Agenda

1:00 p.m. – 1:05 p.m.

Welcome

John Georgakopoulos, C.S.,
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- 1:05 p.m. – 1:13 p.m.** **Legislative Reform Update – Amendments to the *Impact Assessment Act***
- Richard Lindgren, *Canadian Environmental Law Association*
- 1:13 p.m. – 1:21 p.m.** **Public Law Cases Update (*Mathur v. R; La Rose v. Canada*)**
- Fraser Thomson, *Ecojustice*
- 1:21 p.m. – 1:29 p.m.** **Prosecution Update**
- Michael Malleson, Counsel, *Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks*
- 1:29 p.m. – 1:37 p.m.** **Species at Risk Update (*Western Canada Wilderness Committee v. Canada*)**
- Denisa Mertiri, *Ontario Power Generation*
- 1:37 p.m. – 1:42 p.m.** **Question and Answer Session**
- 1:42 p.m. – 1:50 p.m.** **ESG in PropTech and its Impacts on Commercial Real Estate**
- Natalia Iamundo, *Bennett Jones LLP*
- 1:50 p.m. – 1:58 p.m.** **Excess Soil Update**
- Matthew Gardner, C.S., *Willms & Shier Environmental Lawyers LLP*

- 1:58 p.m. – 2:06 p.m.** **Legislation Update (*Ontario Get It Done Act, 2024* and *Cutting Red Tape to Build More Homes Act, 2024*)**
- Alice Mihailescu, *Dentons Canada LLP*
- 2:06 p.m. – 2:14 p.m.** **De facto Expropriation Case Law Update (*Altius Royalty Corporation v Alberta; City of St. John's v. Wallace Lynch*)**
- Sarah McDonald, *Ecojustice*
- 2:14 p.m. – 2:19 p.m.** **Question and Answer Session**
- 2:19 p.m. – 2:27 p.m.** **Ontario Land Tribunal Update**
- William Middleton, Vice-Chair, *Ontario Land Tribunal*
- 2:27 p.m. – 2:35 p.m.** **Mediation at the Ontario Land Tribunal**
- Ron Kanter, *Ron Kanter Dispute Resolution*
- 2:35 p.m. – 2:43 p.m.** **The Encroachment of Sensitive Uses Near Ontario's Major Fuel Terminals (*Champagne Centre Ltd. v. Toronto (City)*)**
- Laura Dean, *Aird & Berlis LLP*
- 2:43 p.m. – 3:03 p.m.** **Break**
- 3:03 p.m. – 3:11 p.m.** **Scoping Legal Challenges to Class Environmental Assessments and the Romandale Saga (*Angus Glen Landowners' Group Inc. v. Markham; Romandale Farms Limited v. Markham*)**
- Gabrielle Kramer, *Borden Ladner Gervais LLP*

- 3:11 p.m. – 3:16 p.m.** **Question and Answer Session**
- 3:16 p.m. – 3:24 p.m.** **ESG Disclosure Obligations and Developments Update**
Jo-Anne Matear, Ontario Securities Commission
- 3:24 p.m. – 3:32 p.m.** **Environmental Obligations and Insolvency Law**
Anand Srivastava, Willms & Shier Environmental Lawyers LLP
- 3:32 p.m. – 3:40 p.m.** **British Columbia’s PFAS Class Action (*British Columbia v. 3M Company et al*)**
Louis Sokolov, Sotos Class Actions
- 3:40 p.m. – 3:48 p.m.** **Environmental Liability – What Happens When the Contractor is Not Paid?**
Shaun Cody, New Horizon Law Corporation
- 3:48 p.m. – 3:53 p.m.** **Question and Answer Session**
- 3:53 p.m. – 4:09 p.m.** **Tools that Municipalities Use to Regulate Environmental Issues in Development**
Victoria Chai, Assistant City Solicitor, City of Markham
Robert Woon, Counsel, Regional Municipality of Durham
- 4:09 p.m. – 4:17 p.m.** **Legislative Amendments to Ontario’s *Conservation Authorities Act***
Kristi Ross, Aird & Berlis LLP

4:17 p.m. – 4:25 p.m.

Ontario Place Redevelopment (*Ontario Place for All Inc v. Ontario*)

Jessica Roher, Paliare Roland Rosenberg Rothstein LLP

4:25 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Question and Answer Session

4:30 p.m.

Program Ends

4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Reception