# The Six-Minute Environmental Lawyer 2021



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# **Agenda**

9:00 a.m. – 9:05 a.m. Welcome and Opening Remarks

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## **DUE DILIGENCE**

9:05 a.m. – 9:13 a.m. A Purchaser's Playbook: Environmental Legal Due

Diligence

Gatlin Smeijers, Norton Rose Fulbright Canada LLP

9:13 a.m. – 9:21 a.m. Deal Due Diligence (Consultant Perspective)

Gerry Parrott, BlueFrog Environmental Consulting inc.

**CLIMATE CHANGE** 

9:21 a.m. – 9:29 a.m. SCC's Climate Change Reference Decision

Elisabeth (Lisa) DeMarco, Resilient LLP

9:29 a.m. – 9:37 a.m. Climate Change Charter Litigation Update

Justin Safayeni, Stockwoods LLP

PROSECUTIONS UPDATE

9:37 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. 9147-0732 Québec Inc. v. Directeur des poursuites

criminelles et pénales

J. Bruce McMeekin, C.S., Bruce McMeekin Law

9:45 a.m. – 9:53 a.m. R. v. Miller Paving Limited and Glenn Fernandes

Joe Ferraro, Crown Counsel

9:55 a.m. – 10:01 a.m.	3 a.m. – 10:01 a.m.	Update on <i>Jordan</i> Jurisprudence
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Nicholas Adamson, *Ministry of the Attorney* General, Legal Services Branch – Environment, Conservation and Parks

#### **CIVIL LITIGATION**

10:01 a.m. – 10:17 a.m. Albert Bloom Limited v. London Transit Commission

Rosalind Cooper, C.S., Fasken Martineau DuMoulin LLP

10:17 a.m. – 10:25 a.m. Question and Answer Session

10:25 a.m. – 10:40 a.m. Break

# **REGULATORY UPDATES**

10:40 a.m. – 10:48 a.m. Tribunal Harmonization and Reform

Susan Schiller, Vice-Chair, Ontario Land Tribunal

10:48 a.m. – 10:56 a.m. TSSA's Shift Towards Becoming an Outcomes-Based

Regulator

Raj Bharati, Technical Standards and Safety Authority

10:56 a.m. – 11:04 a.m. Waste Update: Update on Wastech Services Ltd. v.

Greater Vancouver Sewerage and Drainage District, 2021

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Winston Gee, Torys LLP

## PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

11:04 a.m. – 11:12 a.m. Ontario Bill 197: Legislative and Judicial Developments

Richard Lindgren, Counsel, Canadian Environmental Law Association

11:12 a.m. – 11:20 a.m. Ministerial Zoning Orders: the Interaction between the *Planning Act* and Environmental Protection

Kristi Ross, Kristi Ross Barristers and Solicitors

11:20 a.m. – 11:28 a.m. Friends of Simcoe Forests Inc., v. Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing et al.

Ramani Nadarajah, C.S., *Canadian Environmental Law Association* 

11:28 a.m. – 11:36 a.m. Bill C-15, UNDRIP, and Resource Development

Julie Abouchar, C.S., Willms & Shier Environmental Lawyers LLP

#### **RISK MITIGATION**

11:36 a.m. – 11:44 a.m. Environmental Management Policies and Programs

Joanna Vince, C.S., Willms & Shier Environmental Lawyers LLP

11:44 a.m. – 11:52 a.m. Voluntary Environmental Management Standards

Stepan Wood, Canada Research Chair in Law, Society and Sustainability, Director, Centre for Law and the Environment, *Peter A. Allard School of Law, University of British Columbia* 

11:52 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Question and Answer Session

12:00 p.m. Program Ends