

Technology and Legal Practice 2025



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

Total CPD Hours = 2 h Substantive 4 h Professionalism ^P

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Agenda


9:00 a.m. – 9:05 a.m.

Welcome

The Honourable Justice Jill Presser
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9:05 a.m. – 9:20 a.m.	Welcome from the Chief Justice of Ontario
Moderator:	The Honourable Justice Jill Presser <i>Ontario Superior Court of Justice</i>
Panelist:	The Honourable Michael Tulloch, Chief Justice of Ontario, <i>Court of Appeal for Ontario</i>
9:20 a.m. – 10:20 a.m.	AI and the Law of Evidence AND Changing Rules: Court Guidance, Practice Requirements and Civil Rules Amendments (30 m )
Moderator:	The Honourable Justice Jill Presser <i>Ontario Superior Court of Justice</i>
Panelists:	The Honourable Justice Peter Lauwers <i>Court of Appeal for Ontario</i>
	Professor Maura Grossman, School of Computer Science, <i>University of Waterloo</i>
10:20 a.m. – 10:25 a.m.	Question and Answer Session (5 m )
10:25 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.	Break
10:45 a.m. – 10:55 a.m.	Technology Tool Demonstration: Spellbook (10 m )
	Dev Thain, Partnerships Manager, <i>Spellbook</i>
10:55 a.m. – 11:55 a.m.	Assessing and Selecting Legal Technology (1 h )
Moderator:	Carla Swansburg, Chief Executive Officer, <i>ClearyX</i>
Panelists:	Jordan Atin, C.S., TEP, <i>Atin Professional Corporation</i>
	Sara Chan, VP & Associate General Counsel, <i>Corus Entertainment Inc.</i>

Nicola Shaver, CEO, *Legaltech Hub*

11:55 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Question and Answer Session (5 m )

12:00 p.m. – 12:10 p.m.

Technology Tool Demonstration: Beagle+ (10 m )

Drew Jackson, Digital and Content Lead, *People's Law School*

12:10 p.m. – 1:10 p.m.

Lunch

1:10 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.

**Implications of Technology on Training & Development:
How do We Train the Next Generation of Lawyers? How
Do We Train the Current Generations? (1 h 5 m )**

Moderator:

Amy Salyzyn, Associate Professor, Faculty of Law
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Panelists:

Kari Abrams, Director, Legal Personnel and Professional
Development, *Blake Cassels & Graydon LLP*

Kristen Boon, Dean, Faculty of Law, *University of Ottawa*

Colin Lachance, Innovator in Residence, *Ontario Bar
Association*

Dr. Megan Ma, Associate Director, *Stanford Center for
Legal Informatics*

Ian Nelson, Co-Founder, *Hotshot*

2:15 p.m. – 2:20 p.m.

Question and Answer Session (5 m )

2:20 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

**Technology Tool Demonstration: Epiq AI Discovery
Assistant (10 m )**

Tiana Van Dyk, Managing Director, Canada, *Epiq Global*

2:30 p.m. – 2:50 p.m.	Break
2:50 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.	Law Commission’s Criminal AI Lifecycle Project
Moderator:	Amy Salyzyn, Associate Professor, Faculty of Law <i>University of Ottawa</i>
Panelists:	Ryan Fritsch, Legal Counsel, <i>Law Commission of Ontario</i> Nye Thomas, Executive Director, <i>Law Commission of Ontario</i>
3:15 p.m. – 3:20 p.m.	Question and Answer Session
3:20 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.	Technology Tool Demonstration: Deep Research Offerings from OpenAI, Gemini and Perplexity (10 m)
	Colin Lachance, Innovator in Residence, <i>Ontario Bar Association</i>
3:30 p.m. – 3:55 p.m.	Fireside Chat (25 m )
Moderator:	Carla Swansburg, Chief Executive Officer, <i>ClearyX</i>
Panelists:	Anna Makanju, Vice-President of Global Affairs, <i>OpenAI</i>
3:55 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Question and Answer Session (5 m )
4:00 p.m.	Program Ends