

Cost: \$40.00

Details: In this session, hear directly from the Honourable Madam Justice Melanie Kraft, Bill Eddy (a recognized expert, author, and co-founder of the High Conflict Institute who specializes in managing high-conflict disputes, particularly within family law), and other experienced family law practitioners about how to navigate these challenging cases effectively and ethically.

Topics will include:

Oral and Written Advocacy: Tips for being concise, focused, and persuasive in your written materials and court submissions.

Professionalism: Strategies for maintaining civility between counsel, even when your clients are in deep conflict.

Working with Self-Represented Litigants: How to communicate effectively, respectfully, and in line with your obligations.

Duties to the Court: Understanding your responsibilities when the other side is unrepresented, including how to assist the court without compromising your client's position.

Managing Client Expectations: Best practices for communicating with your own client—balancing transparency, strategy, and the importance of not fueling the conflict.

Understanding High-Conflict Personalities: How to recognize high-conflict behaviors, set boundaries, use structured communication strategies (such as BIFF responses), and reduce escalation while still advocating effectively for your client.

Areas of Practice: Family Law & Ethics & Professional Responsibility

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Bring your brown bag lunch with you (or alternatively, the QCC café is open Wednesdays)

1 hour Professionalism
1 hour Substantive



2. NEW ACQUISITIONS AT THE LAW LIBRARY

Books available for REFERENCE only – short-term loans

Ginn	<i>Common Law Rules of Procedure for Tribunals in Canada: Rules, Commentary, and Practice Tips</i>
Schnurr	<i>Estate Litigation</i>
Schnurr	<i>Ontario Estates Statutes (annotated)</i>
Trask	<i>Essential Guide to Prosecutions in Canada</i>



3. LIBRARY TEXT DISCARDS

Please note: due to the demand for the books, requests must be limited to **one item per individual**. Thank you.

The following books are being withdrawn from circulation. If you are interested in any of these titles, please phone or fax the library and the book(s) will be held for you.

If the text is of a size that can fit into the mailbox, you may pick it up at QCC from your mailbox on the first floor on request. If it is a larger text, it can be held in the law library for you to pick up at your convenience.

Bowles	<i>Conduct of a Lien</i>	2024
Lomic	<i>Social-Media and Internet Law: Forms & Precedents</i>	2018
Sharpe	<i>The Charter of Rights and Freedoms</i>	2017
Shroff	<i>Canadian Animal Law</i>	2021



4. GENERAL LEGAL INFORMATION

COMING SOON! e-LiRN Toolkits

Practice-specific guides are coming to LiRN LiNK, starting with primers on criminal and

family law!

It's a simple idea, and a powerful one: take everything Ontario lawyers can already access through e-LiRN, and organize it around how you actually work — by area of law.

That's e-LiRN Toolkits, and the first one is on its way.

Curated resources for your practice area

Toolkits are practice-specific guides that pull together everything you need in one place.

Each e-LiRN Toolkit will bring together:

- **Research resources** — case law, legislation, and commentary drawn from across our e-LiRN tools and platforms
- **Practice resources** — precedents, forms, checklists, and guidance
- **Curated links** — to CanLII, government sources, and other free resources
- **Professional development** — upcoming training sessions and webinars to help you get the most out of our e-LiRN tools

The **Criminal Law Toolkit** will be the first to launch, with a **Family Law Toolkit** next. More practice areas will follow as the program grows, and remote access will be provided wherever possible.

Watch for updates!

UPDATE: PRACTICE DIRECTION REGARDING BAIL HEARINGS

Effective June 1, 2026, *Practice Direction Regarding Bail Hearings – Ontario Court of Justice* will be in place. See <https://www.ontariocourts.ca/ocj/notices/practice-direction-regarding-bail-hearings/>

LEXIS+ TRAINING and FREE LIBRARY ACCESS

FREE access to *Lexis+ Canada*, the successor to Quicklaw, is available at your law library and now includes AI-enabled tools. Also included with *Lexis+ Canada*, is their *Practical Guidance* database, with updated precedents, checklists, practice notes, forms, resource kits and more.

LexisNexis is offering training sessions on the following dates, and you can access the zoom link from your office:

Friday, June 19 at 11:00 AM: <https://relx.zoom.us/j/96864649848>

Tuesday, July 21 at 2:00 PM: <https://relx.zoom.us/j/93145653532>

Registration is not required. **All sessions qualify for 60m Professionalism CPD.** You can save the zoom link to your calendar and join in on either of the dates listed above.

WESTLAW TRAINING (FREE anyone can join)

Westlaw Canada Fundamentals (English)

Tuesday, June 16, 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

REGISTRATION: <https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/a1321b3b-00e9-4d3a-8301-a780e34e2003@62ccb864-6a1a-4b5d-8e1c-397dec1a8258/registration>

Estate and Trust Research on Westlaw Canada

Tuesday, June 23, 1:00 PM - 1:45 PM

REGISTRATION: <https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/0bf206bc-2061-4b3d-b77b-9883569571f7@62ccb864-6a1a-4b5d-8e1c-397dec1a8258/registration>

Case Centre Top Tips

Wednesday, June 24, 1:00 PM - 1:30 PM

REGISTRATION: <https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/9ca20c79-f33a-4009-9286-1f9fbbc33966@62ccb864-6a1a-4b5d-8e1c-397dec1a8258/registration>

5. Member Rewards!

A reminder to all association members that they have access to the rewards program here:

<https://www.fola.ca/resource/member-rewards>

Discounts are available for a number of services and products. The FOLA partnership member reward letter is available from your law library at hcla@on.aibn.com

NOTE: Regarding Via Rail: unfortunately, the members' use of the VIA code did not hit the revenue benchmark with VIA, and FOLA no longer has a discount code. However, they were advised that if anyone is a CAA member then a discount is available.

FOLA will be keeping track of revenue from plenary sessions to see if they hit the benchmark this year.

H&PELA will not be posting on Musk's "X" and have joined "the great X-odus"
<https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/cqx9e0y17ww0>

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