



Family Law Chambers Advocacy Workshop

Attend this intensive hands-on workshop to develop exceptional family law Chambers advocacy skills and receive constructive feedback in a small group setting. Learn from your own performances, that of the other participants, and the faculty demonstrations. The workshop is specific to family law and will provide an opportunity to hone your written and oral skills in a number of exercises, including notices of application, affidavits, memos of law and oral submissions. The workshop is similar in format and intensity to the very successful Trial Advocacy Workshop that the Law Society has been delivering for years. You will not want to miss this opportunity to access the knowledge and expertise of our esteemed faculty of judges and accomplished practitioners!

Learn by doing in this intensive hands-on Workshop. Features of the Workshop include:

- **Working small groups** The faculty to student ratio is 8 instructors to 24 students.
- **“Learn without the burn”** Provides concentrated practice of your advocacy skills in a supportive non-threatening environment. Develop skills in a risk free setting without compromising your client’s case.
- **Faculty of experienced judges and lawyers** Access the skills and knowledge of our esteemed faculty of experienced judges and accomplished family law practitioners.
- **Current Saskatchewan specific curriculum** Exercises will be drawn from a family law fact pattern which will address parenting issues and support (income determination, child support and spousal support). The exercises will develop your skills in oral submissions, as well as, writing notices of applications, affidavits and memos of law. The fact pattern and exercises have been prepared locally by our Workshop Planning Committee ensuring the content is relevant and current.
- **Faculty critique and constructive suggestions** After each skills performance, you will receive constructive feedback from your instructors. Learn from your own performance and those of other participants. Demonstrations by instructors will provide you with the opportunity to observe effective advocacy skills.

Regina

Ramada Plaza Hotel

Friday, April 5, 2019
9:30 am

to

Saturday, April 6, 2019
3:15 pm

Registration Deadline
March 11, 2019

Time Commitment

- This is an intensive hands-on Workshop which requires preparation and submissions in advance in order for the faculty to effectively provide feedback. Please make sure you plan accordingly.
- **Tuesday, March 26, 2019:** You will receive the fact pattern, reading materials, schedule and exercises for review and preparation.
- **Friday, March 29, 2019 (by 5:00p.m.):** You will be expected to prepare and submit to the Law Society a notice of application and an affidavit based on the exercises assigned to you in relation to the fact pattern.
- Participants will be involved throughout the Workshop, performing skills and receiving feedback. When you are not performing or being critiqued, you are expected to watch and learn from others. Full attendance for the entire Workshop is required.

Workshop Planning Committee

- Justice D.L. Wilson (Court of Queen's Bench – Family Law Division, Saskatoon)
- Sean Sinclair (Robertson Stromberg LLP, Saskatoon)
- Gregory Walen, Q.C. (Scharfstein Gibbings Walen & Fisher LLP, Saskatoon)
- Sherry Fitzsimmons, Q.C. (McDougall Gauley LLP, Saskatoon)
- Jill Drennan (Saskatchewan Legal Aid Commission, Regina)

Faculty

- **Chair:** Justice D.L. Wilson (Court of Queen's Bench – Family Law Division, Saskatoon)
- Justice M.T. Megaw (Court of Queen's Bench – Family Law Division, Regina)
- Justice G.V. Goebel (Court of Queen's Bench – Family Law Division, Saskatoon)
- Justice D.J. Brown (Court of Queen's Bench – Family Law Division, Regina)
- Gregory Walen, Q.C. (Scharfstein Gibbings Walen & Fisher LLP, Saskatoon)
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Guest Speaker

- Aaron Fox, Q.C. (McDougall Gauley LLP, Regina)

General Information

Register early! Enrollment is limited to 24 lawyers and will be on a first come, first served basis. However, preference will be given to lawyers with 10 years or less experience at the Bar. The registration fee must accompany your registration. The registration deadline is Monday, March 11, 2019. We will confirm your registration. In the event the maximum enrollment is reached, a waiting list will be kept in case there are cancellations. We will notify you no later than March 22, 2019 if we are able to add you to the Workshop list. After this date, we will return your registration fee to you.

Your registration fees include

- case files and reference materials;
- lunches; and
- dinner on Friday evening with Faculty and participants (**Note:** The dinner is an integral part of the overall experience of the Workshop. It is expected that participants will attend).

Note: Invoices and receipts for cheque payments will not be provided unless requested, as we prefer not to pass on the added expense to our registrants. This registration form is your invoice. Your cancelled cheque is your receipt; however, for credit card payments your receipt will be mailed.

Cancellation Policy

Notification of cancellation must be in writing and received by the Law Society no later than **March 18, 2019**. Registration fees, less a \$100.00 (plus GST) administrative fee, will be refunded. Refunds cannot be given for cancellations received after March 18, 2019. Should there be a waiting list, the individuals on that list will fill the cancelled spots.

Accommodation

- A block of rooms has been reserved at the Ramada Plaza Hotel (1818 Victoria Ave) for April 4-6, 2019. The block will be held until March 4, 2019. The rate per night is \$129.00 plus applicable taxes.
- To reserve a room, contact the Ramada Plaza Hotel by phone at (306) 569-1444 or via email regina@saskramada.com. Please reference the group booking code: **Law Society of Sask / CGKPR1**

Registration Form

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Friday April 5, 2019 & Saturday April 6, 2019

Ramada Plaza Hotel
1818 Victoria Avenue
Regina, SK

Name _____

Email Address _____

Phone Number _____

Firm _____

YEAR ADMITTED TO THE BAR

NUMBER OF CHAMBER APPEARANCES

Please indicate any special dietary needs and/or specific accessibility accommodations

Registration Fees

Family Law
Chambers
Advocacy
Workshop

\$1000.00 + \$50.00 GST = \$1050.00

GST Registration No. 107604381

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