

## Navigating the New Landscape: Administrative Law Practice After *Vavilov*

Time	Session*
9:00 a.m.	Welcome and announcements
9:05 a.m.	<p><b>Keynote: The Emperor's New Shoes? <i>Rizzo</i> and Statutory Interpretation in 2025</b> <i>Mark Mancini, Thompson Rivers University, Faculty of Law.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Rizzo Shoes</i> is the canonical statement of how courts should conduct statutory interpretation. Professor Mancini will explore how the Supreme Court has massaged and modified the <i>Rizzo</i> framework in recent years, emphasizing the role of statutory text. He will connect these developments to administrative law.</li> </ul>
10:05 a.m.	Health Break
10:20 a.m.	<p><b>Statutory Appeals: Where Did <i>Vavilov</i> Leave Us, What Do We Know Now, and What Issues Remain Undecided?</b> <i>Lauren Wihak, K.C., McDougall Gauley LLP</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Statutory appeals &amp; judicial review – what is the distinction, and why does it matter?</li> <li>• Parallel judicial review applications and statutory appeals, and the implications of <i>Yatar v TD Insurance Meloche Monnex</i>, 2024 SCC 8 for administrative law practice in Saskatchewan</li> <li>• Appeals to the Court that are statutory in nature vs. appeals to an appellate tribunal – Does <i>Vavilov</i> apply to internal appeals?</li> </ul>
11:20 a.m.	<p><b>Procedural Complexities and Clarifications on Emerging Issues</b> <i>Bryan Salte, K.C., College of Physicians and Surgeons of Saskatchewan</i> <i>David Stack, K.C., University of Saskatchewan, Office of General Counsel</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Judicial Review After <i>Vavilov</i>: Ongoing Clarifications</li> <li>• Procedural Complexities: From Preliminary Matters to Managing a Multiplicity of Proceedings</li> <li>• 16 topics will be addressed – too many to list here</li> </ul>

<b>12:20 p.m.</b>	<b>Networking Lunch</b>
<b>1:20 p.m.</b>	<p><b>The Who, What, and When of Constitutional Matters Before Administrative Decision-Makers</b>  <i>Benjamin Ralston, University of Saskatchewan, College of Law</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Constitutional rights, powers and values before administrative decision-makers: who has jurisdiction to hear and decide constitutional matters, what kinds of constitutional matters can be determined, and when will it be appropriate to determine them?</li> <li>• In addition to an overview of the basic principles and jurisprudence, this session will cover recent case law and remaining uncertainty</li> </ul>
<b>2:20 p.m.</b>	<b>Health Break</b>
<b>2:35 p.m.</b>	<p><b>Fireside Chat with The Honourable Justice Meghan McCreary of the Court of Appeal</b>  <i>The Honourable Justice Meghan McCreary, Court of Appeal for Saskatchewan</i>  <i>Moderator: Lauren Wihak, K.C., McDougall Gauley LLP</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Q&amp;A with Justice McCreary of the Court of Appeal about the practical aspects of effectively conducting administrative law and judicial review in the Saskatchewan courts</li> <li>• Topics of discussion will include the importance of the record on judicial review, affidavits (and when they are and are not permissible on judicial review), and how generally to effectively argue judicial reviews, and appeals from judicial reviews</li> <li>• Opportunity to ask questions of your own</li> </ul>
<b>3:35 p.m.</b>	<p><b>Concluding remarks</b>  <i>Mark Mancini, Thompson Rivers University, Faculty of Law</i></p>
<b>4:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Adjournment</b>

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