

## The Right To Be Heard: The Future of Advocacy in Post-Pandemic Canada

Afternoon

**September 29, 2020** 

1:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. ET

**Live Webcast** 

## **Chairs:**

Peter J. Osborne, Lenczner Slaght, Task Force Chair

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01:00 pm – 01:05 pm	Welcome and Introductory Remarks Peter J. Osborne, Lenczner Slaght	
01:05 pm – 01:25 pm	The Impact of Oral Advocacy: Empirical Analysis from the USA Professor Timothy R. Johnson, <i>University of Minnesota</i>	
01:25 pm – 01:40 pm	The Oral Tradition in Indigenous Justice  Donald E. Worme, Q.C., I.P.C., Semaganis Worme Lombard	
01:40 pm – 02:15 pm	In-person, Zoom or Written Hearings: Access to Justice Considerations Dr. Rachel Birnbaum, King's University College at Western El Jones, University of King's College Karyn S. Pugliese, Ryerson University Moderator: Scott C. Hutchison, Henein Hutchison LLP	

02:15 pm – 02:40 pm	The Human Psychology of Live versus Written Hearings Dr. Jeff Hancock, Stanford University Dr. Steve Joordens, University of Toronto Moderator: Sheila Gibb, Epstein Cole LLP
02:40 pm – 02:55 pm	Break
02:55 pm – 03:15 pm	The Role of Oral Hearings in a Digital World Professor Dame Hazel Genn, <i>University College London</i>
03:15 pm – 03:50 pm	Perspectives from the Bench The Hon. Judge Elizabeth A. Buckle, Provincial Court of Nova Scotia The Hon. Chief Justice Christopher E. Hinkson, Supreme Court of British Columbia The Hon. Justice Benjamin Zarnett, Court of Appeal for Ontario Moderator: Katherine L. Kay, Stikeman Elliott LLP
03:50 pm – 04:25 pm	<b>Debate: Is Oral Advocacy Central to the Administration of Justice in Canada?</b> The Hon. Justice David M. Brown, <i>Court of Appeal for Ontario</i> Guy J. Pratte, <i>Borden Ladner Gervais LLP,</i> President of The Advocates' Society Moderator: Katherine L. Kay, <i>Stikeman Elliott LLP</i>
04:25 pm – 04:30 pm	Concluding Remarks Peter J. Osborne, <i>Lenczner Slaght</i>
Finale	Spoken Word by El Jones