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& Wednesday, August 29

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ONTARIO JUSTICE EDUCATION NETWORK
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A CIVIL SOCIETY THROUGH EDUCATION AND DIALOGUE

TUESDAY, AUGUST 28

8:30 AM	REGISTRATION (coffee and breakfast will be available) <i>Convocation Hall, Law Society of Upper Canada, 2nd Floor</i>
9 AM-10 AM	KEYNOTE ADDRESS ON CIVIL LIBERTIES Alan Borovoy, General Counsel, Emeritus, Canadian Civil Liberties Association
10 AM-11 AM	REFLECTING ON 30 YEARS OF THE CHARTER Hon. Frank Iacobucci, Former Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada; Hon. Roy McMurtry, Former Chief Justice of Ontario; Moderator - Professor Sonia Lawrence, Osgoode Hall Law School
11 AM-11:15 AM	BREAK
11:15 AM-12:15 PM	RIGHTS AND ROLES – THE ENVIRONMENT AND YOU Albert Koehl, Ecojustice; Paula Boutis, Iler Campbell LLP
12:15 PM-1 PM	LUNCH
1 PM-2:30 PM	NO HONOUR IN VIOLENCE: ADDRESSING QUESTIONS AND CONCERNS IN THE CLASSROOM Uzma Shakir; Farrah Khan, Barbra Schlifer Commemorative Clinic
2:30 PM-3 PM	BREAK
3 PM-5 PM	SENTENCING: A NEW REGIME <i>Ontario Court of Justice, Old City Hall, Courtroom 121</i> Justice Paul Robertson, Ontario Court of Justice; Megan Petrie, Ministry of the Attorney General; Donna Pledge, Criminal Defence Lawyer
5 PM-7:30 PM	PRESENTATION OF HUX-KITELEY EXEMPLARY JUSTICE EDUCATOR AWARD <i>Upper and Lower Barristers' Lounge, Law Society of Upper Canada</i> Wine and cheese reception to follow

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 29

830 ^{AM}	ARRIVE AT SUPERIOR COURT OF JUSTICE
9 ^{AM} -1015 ^{AM}	<p>LANDLORD AND TENANT HEARING DEMONSTRATION</p> <p><i>Superior Court of Justice, 361 University Avenue, Courtroom 6-1</i></p> <p>Guy Savoie, Landlord and Tenant Board; Cathy Corsetti, Corsetti Paralegal; John Fraser, Centre for Equality Rights in Accommodation; Joe Myers, Willowdale Community Legal Services</p>
1015 ^{AM} -1030 ^{AM}	BREAK (coffee and breakfast will be available)
1030 ^{AM} -12 ^{PM}	<p>EXPLORING THE RIGHT TO PROTEST</p> <p>Abby Deshman, Canadian Civil Liberties Association; Karen Ensslen, Ursel Phillips Fellows Hopkinson LLP; Professor Patrick Forget, Université du Québec à Montréal (UQAM)</p>
12 ^{PM} -115 ^{PM}	LUNCH
115 ^{PM} -215 ^{PM}	<p>ISSUES IN CHILDREN'S RIGHTS</p> <p>Mary Birdsell, Justice for Children and Youth; Laura Arndt, Office of the Provincial Advocate for Children and Youth</p>
215 ^{PM} -230 ^{PM}	BREAK
230 ^{PM} -3 ^{PM}	REVIEW OF NEW OJEN RESOURCES AND PROGRAMS
3 ^{PM} -4 ^{PM}	<p>THE TOP FIVE SIGNIFICANT CASES OF 2012</p> <p>Justice Stephen Goudge, Court of Appeal for Ontario</p>
4 ^{PM} -5 ^{PM}	CLOSING REMARKS & DISTRIBUTION OF RESOURCES



ABOUT OJEN

The Ontario Justice Education Network is a non-profit, charitable organization that brings together leading institutions and individuals from the legal and education sectors to collaborate on initiatives designed to foster public understanding of the justice system. With the commitment of hundreds of volunteers, including judges from all levels of the courts, members of the bar, the Crown Attorney's office, court staff, legal aid clinics, law schools, teachers, and community representatives, OJEN reaches thousands of youth across the province each year. **For more information on OJEN's programs and resources, please visit www.ojen.ca.**

2012 SPEAKERS

LAURA ARNDT

Laura Arndt is the Director of Strategic Development at the Office of the Provincial Advocate for Children and Youth, an independent commission of the Legislative Assembly of Ontario. The Advocate's Office is mandated to represent the issues of young people, including First Nations children and youth with Special Needs by partnering with them to bring issues forward, encourage communication and provide outreach and education on children's rights to children and youth, families, service providers and stakeholders.

After graduating from the Developmental Services Worker Program at Centennial College, Ms. Arndt obtained an honours degree in Disability Studies and a Masters in Immigration and Settlement Studies from Ryerson University. She is currently working towards a Ph.D. in Cultural Studies at Queen's University. Her work remains strongly anchored in community development and social justice. She has worked, written and spoken about provincial, national and international policy issues ranging from online privacy and protection of privacy issues specific to children and youth, youth suicide in northern communities, First Nations education, the impacts of disaster management planning and recovery for racialized groups in the post Hurricane Katrina landscape, immigration and settlement and disability scholarship and activism.

MARY BIRDSSELL

Mary Birdsell is currently the Interim Executive Director at Justice for Children and Youth (JFCY). She has worked as a Community Development lawyer at JFCY since 1996. As a staff lawyer responsible for community development, Ms. Birdsell has worked in all areas of the clinic's work, including legal education, community development, law reform, and legal representation of young people. Ms. Birdsell has represented and advocated for the rights of young people in a variety of legal areas at

every level of court, including the Supreme Court of Canada. She has extensive experience providing public legal education about the law as it affects young people and the rights of children and youth in a variety of settings. She also regularly speaks with adults who work with young people, staff and professionals, providing training about youth rights and legal issues on a wide variety of subjects.

ALAN BOROVOY

Alan Borovoy received his B.A. from the University of Toronto in 1953, and his LL.B. from the University of Toronto in 1956. He was admitted to the Ontario Bar in 1958. He has also received four Honourary Doctor of Law Degrees, the Law Society Medal from the Law Society of Upper Canada in 1989, an Award of Merit from the City of Toronto in 1982, and was inscribed in the Honour Roll of the aboriginal people of Treaty Number 3 in 1991. He was made an Officer of the Order of Canada in 1982.

Mr. Borovoy was General Counsel of the Canadian Civil Liberties Association from May 1968 until June 2009. As General Counsel of CCLA, he made presentations to public inquiries and gave testimony before parliamentary committees on issues such as mandatory drug testing in the workplace, wiretapping, and police race relations. His community organizing activities included delegations to the federal and provincial governments on issues of capital punishment, religious education in the public schools, the War Measures Act, campus speech codes, and national security and intelligence. Prior to coming to CCLA, Mr. Borovoy worked with other human rights and civil liberties organizations such as the National Committee for Human Rights of the Canadian Labour Congress, the Ontario Labour Committee for Human Rights, and the Toronto & District Labour Committee for Human Rights.

PAULA BOUTIS

Paula Boutis has practiced law for 10 years, with the last five spent practising at Iler Campbell. She has a special interest in public interest environmental law, and practiced environmental law exclusively for her first five years of practice. Since joining Iler Campbell, she has broadened her practice, and has a wide ranging litigation practice for the firm's clients, including governance disputes, commercial and employment disputes, and even electoral matters. She also provides advice on any number of issues for charities and non-profit clients.

CATHY CORSETTI

Cathy Corsetti graduated from the Humber College Law Clerk Program in 1977. As a paralegal, Ms. Corsetti has specialized in Landlord and Tenant Board issues and Small Claims Court for over 35 years. She is the president and co-founder of Corsetti Paralegal Professional Corporation and Associates, and is a member of the Licensed Paralegal Association and the Paralegal Society of Ontario. Ms. Corsetti also has extensive experience and involvement in a number of different committees. She was elected to the Law Society's Paralegal Standing Committee for 2010-2014 and was also elected as chair of this committee for 2010, 2011, and 2012. Ms. Corsetti was also appointed to the Law Society Appeal Tribunal, and in 2011 was appointed to a number of Law Society committees, including the Access to Justice, Professional Development and Competence, and Equity and Aboriginal Issues committees.

ABBY DESHMAN

Abby Deshman is a lawyer and the Director of the Public Safety Program with the Canadian Civil Liberties Association. Ms. Deshman first joined the CCLA in July 2008 as the Law Foundation of Ontario's Pro-Bono Articling Fellow and stayed on through 2009 and part of 2010 as the Project Director of the Fundamental Freedoms Project. She graduated from the University of Toronto Law School with an Hons. JD in 2008, and

obtained an LL.M. from New York University in 2010. She is currently involved in all aspects of CCLA's advocacy and educational programs, including the litigation, legislative advocacy, policy work, and civil liberties educational workshops.

KAREN ENSSLEN

Karen Ensslen practices in the areas of labour and employment law, human rights and constitutional law at Ursel Phillips Fellows Hopkinson LLP. Ms. Ensslen had the privilege of providing legal support to Occupy Toronto, and was co-counsel in their application for an injunction against eviction from St. James Park in Toronto. She also represents the interests of secondary school teachers in Ontario through her work for the Ontario Secondary School Teachers' Federation.

PATRICK FORGET

Patrick Forget has been a professor in the Département des sciences juridiques de l'Université du Québec à Montréal since 2011. In 2009, he was jointly appointed professor-researcher in jurilinguistics at Université de Moncton's Faculté de droit and Centre de traduction et de terminologie juridiques. Professor Forget teaches civil liability law, statutory interpretation as well as an introductory course on common law. His masters thesis on the right to protest in Canada was published in 2005 (*Sur la manifestation, le droit et l'action collective*, Liber, 2005). Since then, he has continued to devote some of his time to the legal understanding of demonstrations.

JOHN FRASER

John Fraser is the Program Director for the Centre for Equality Rights in Accommodation (CERA), a non-profit organization that promotes human rights in housing. Mr. Fraser has worked with CERA for the past 12 years, assisting low income individuals and families who are experiencing discrimination related to their housing, conducting research on housing discrimination and developing public educational materials, training

videos, workshops and webinars related to human rights in housing. Mr. Fraser also sits on the Board of the Advocacy Centre for Tenants Ontario and is a part-time instructor with Ryerson University's School of Urban and Regional Planning.

JUSTICE STEPHEN GOUDGE

Justice Goudge completed his Hons. B.A. (Political Science/Economics) at the University of Toronto in 1964, his M.Sc. (Econ.) at the London School of Economics in 1965, and his LL.B. (Awarded Dean's Key) at the University of Toronto in 1968. Justice Goudge was called to the Bar of Ontario in 1970, and appointed a Queen's Counsel in 1982. During his time practicing law he appeared before many administrative tribunals and courts at all levels in Ontario and the Supreme Court of Canada. Justice Goudge was a lecturer at the University of Toronto Faculty of Law in both Labour Law and Native Rights from 1974 to 1985 and in Professional Responsibility from 2001 to present. Justice Goudge was active in the Ontario Bar Association and the Canadian Civil Liberties Association. He was an elected Bencher of the Law Society of the Upper Canada from 1991 to 1996 and was appointed to the Court of Appeal for Ontario in 1996. Additionally, he was a Judicial Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers; a Board member of Pro Bono Law Ontario from 2002 to 2006; and a member Chief Justice's Advisory Committee on Professional Responsibility from 2001 to present.

HON. FRANK IACOBUCCI

The Hon. Frank Iacobucci received his B.Com. from the University of British Columbia in 1961 and his LL.B. from the University of British Columbia in 1962. He received his LL.M. from Cambridge University in 1964 and a Diploma in International Law in 1966. He was called to the Bar of Ontario in 1970 and was awarded a Q.C. by the Federal Government in 1986. Throughout his prestigious career, he has received a number of awards and honorary doctorates, including from the University of British

Columbia, the University of Toronto , and the University of Ottawa .

Mr. Iacobucci has been Counsel to Torys LLP, a major Canadian law firm, since July 2005. He was the Chairman of Torstar Corporation, a newspaper and book publishing company, from July 2005 until May of 2009. From September 2004 to June 2005, Mr. Iacobucci served as Interim President of the University of Toronto while the search for a new university president was being conducted. From 1991 to 2004, Mr. Iacobucci served as a Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada. Mr. Iacobucci is Chair of the Higher Education Council of Ontario (from 2005 to present), is a Board Member of Costi Immigration Services, is a member of the Law Commission of Ontario, is a member of the Advisory Committee of General Motors of Canada, and is the lead director of Tim Horton's. Mr. Iacobucci is a member of the Law Society of Upper Canada and has been the recipient of numerous awards and honours from Canada, the United States, and Italy. In 2007, Mr. Iacobucci was made a Companion of the Order of Canada. Mr. Iacobucci acted in various consulting capacities for federal and provincial departments and officials and served as a special adviser. From 1982 to 1985, he served as a member of the Ontario Securities Commission. He has also written articles and texts in corporate law, taxation and related fields, as well as commentaries in other fields.

FARRAH KHAN

At the age of 16, Farrah Khan picked up a microphone to speak out about sexual assault and has not put it down since. Named by the Toronto Star as one of "Top Ten People to Watch" she has spent the last sixteen years working diligently to raise awareness about violence through counselling, art creation and community mobilization. She holds a Master of Social Work from the University of Toronto and works as a counsellor and advocate at the Barbra Schlifer Clinic. The clinic provides legal representation, professional counseling and multilingual interpretation to 4,000 women each year. Currently Ms. Khan coordinates Outburst! Young Muslim Women Safety Project, which looks at ways institutions can better meet the needs of young Muslim women. As an artist, her video shorts have

been screened at the Art Gallery of Ontario, as well as at international festivals in New York and London. She is working on a comic book with Pomegranate Tree group “Heartbeats: The IZZAT Project” about family violence to be released in late Fall 2012. An emerging leader in grassroots equity movements, Ms. Khan has been presented with numerous awards, including the Toronto Vital People Award.

ALBERT KOEHL

Albert Koehl is a staff lawyer with Ecojustice, a Canadian non-profit environmental law group. At Ecojustice Mr. Koehl’s work focuses on the protection of migratory birds, climate change, and transportation. He formerly worked as a prosecutor with the Ontario Ministry of Environment and with two legal aid clinics. Mr. Koehl has also served with the United Nations in Guatemala as part of a Truth Commission that documented the violence of that country’s 36-year armed conflict. Additionally, he is a writer and dedicated cycling advocate. He recently served on the stakeholder panel of the coroner’s review of cycling and pedestrian deaths in Ontario.

SONIA LAWRENCE

Professor Sonia Lawrence joined Osgoode’s faculty in 2001. She graduated from the University of Toronto’s joint LLB/MSW program, and went on to serve as law clerk to Chief Justice Beverley McLachlin of the Supreme Court of Canada. She then attended Yale Law School where she focused on constitutional equality issues and welfare administration. A past member of the Board of Parkdale Community Legal Services, Professor Lawrence has also provided expertise to the African Canadian Legal Clinic, the Women’s Legal Education and Action Fund (LEAF), and the Court Challenges Program. She is a member of the Executive of the Canadian Association of Law Teachers and the case comments editor of the Canadian Journal of Women and the Law. Professor Lawrence’s work centres on questions of equality and includes examinations of the Supreme Court of Canada’s equality jurisprudence, the influence of feminism in Canadian law, sentencing regimes for ‘drug mules’, diversity

on the bench, and section 28 of the Charter. She is the Director of the Institute for Feminist Legal Studies and the chair of the Academic Policy Committee at Osgoode Hall School School.

HON. ROY MCMURTRY

The Hon. R. Roy McMurtry is a member of the advocacy department in Gowlings' Toronto office, where he serves as counsel to the firm. The former Chief Justice of Ontario, High Commissioner to Great Britain and Attorney General for Ontario provides strategic counsel to Gowlings' clients in both the public and private sectors. He also provides a full range of dispute resolution and mediation services, continuing his long standing tradition of public and community service.

Mr. McMurtry practised law as a trial counsel for 17 years before being elected to the Ontario Legislature in 1975. Upon election, he was appointed to the Cabinet of Premier William G. Davis as the Attorney General for Ontario, a position he held until 1985. As Attorney General, he oversaw an unparalleled era of law reform in Ontario, including bilingualism in the courts, multiculturalism and family law reform. He was deeply involved in the patriation of the Canadian Constitution and the creation of the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms*. During that period he also served for four years as the Solicitor General for Ontario.

In 1985, Mr. McMurtry was appointed as Canada's High Commissioner (Ambassador) to Great Britain, a post which he held until late 1988. In 1991, he was appointed Associate Chief Justice of the Superior Court and then Chief Justice of that Court in 1994. In February 1996, he was appointed Chief Justice of Ontario, a capacity in which he served for over 11 years until May 30, 2007. More recently, Mr. McMurtry was appointed Chancellor of York University.

JOE MYERS

Joe Myers is the Director of Willowdale Community Legal Services, a community legal clinic funded by Legal Aid Ontario and located in Toronto, where he practices primarily in the fields of landlord and tenant

and income maintenance law. He received a bachelor's degree in History from the University of Western Ontario before pursuing a law degree, also from the University of Western Ontario. Mr. Myers was called to the Ontario Bar in 1992. Before joining the community legal clinic system, he worked in private practice, primarily in the field of immigration law. He frequently appears before the Landlord and Tenant Board, the Social Benefits Tribunal and the Ontario Superior Court of Justice.

MEGAN PETRIE

Megan Petrie is currently an Assistant Crown Attorney with Scarborough's Crown Attorney's office. Ms. Petrie received her Bachelor of Journalism degree from Carleton University before earning her LLB from the University of Toronto in 1997, and was called to the bar in 1999. She articulated and then practised civil litigation at Weir & Foulds (now WeirFoulds LLP) before joining the Crown's office.

DONNA PLEDGE

Donna Pledge has been practicing law since 1992. She is a sole proprietor and practices in the area of criminal defense. Her geographic area of practice includes mainly the Greater Toronto Area, but also includes at times the four corners of the Province. Although she represents individuals involved in any offence, her practice includes primarily individuals charged with drinking and driving offences, drug related offences and sexual assault offences.

JUSTICE PAUL ROBERTSON

Justice Paul Robertson was appointed to the Ontario Court of Justice in November 2003. He articulated in 1988 with the Ontario Ministry of the Attorney General, Crown Law Office – Criminal, doing criminal appeals and was called to the Bar in 1990. He continued with the Ministry as an Assistant Crown Attorney in downtown Toronto until he joined the defence bar in 1994. His practice included both criminal defence and

quasi-criminal administrative law, including representing police officers under investigation by the Special Investigation Unit.

GUY SAVOIE

Guy Savoie is a Vice Chair with the Ontario Landlord and Tenant Board. Mr. Savoie has held numerous senior management positions within both the financial and business sectors for the past 17 years. Since 1990, Mr. Savoie has also been a Professor at Seneca College teaching a diverse business subject portfolio within the undergraduate and post-diploma business and marketing programs.

UZMA SHAKIR

Uzma Shakir recently joined the City of Toronto, as the Director of Office of Equity, Diversity & Human Rights. She has been a community-based researcher, advocate and an activist. She is the past Executive Director of the Council of Agencies Serving South Asians (CASSA) and the South Asian Legal Clinic of Ontario (SALCO). From 2008-2010, she was an Atkinson Economic Justice Fellow and an Adjunct Professor, Department of Geography and Programme in Planning, University of Toronto.

Ms. Shakir received a B.A. degree from Karachi University, Pakistan, a B.A. Honors degree from Sussex University, England; a Master of Law and Diplomacy degree from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University, Boston, USA. Her work has focused on issues of race, erosion of civil liberties and critical multiculturalism. She has been an advocate, an organizer/facilitator, a writer, and a lecturer on diverse issues facing racialized communities. Ms. Shakir has been recognized for her outstanding work with a number of awards, including the JS Woodsworth Award in 2010 and the Outstanding Asian Canadian Award in 2008.

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