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# 37th Annual Workshop on Commercial and Consumer Law

*Friday and Saturday, October 19 and 20, 2007*

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## PROGRAMME

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*Joint Convenors: Stephanie Ben-Ishai, Tony Duggan, Jacob Ziegel*

**The Solarium  
Falconer Hall • Faculty of Law  
University of Toronto**

**Sponsored by the Canadian Business Law Journal, the Commercial and Consumer Law Section of the Canadian Association of Law Teachers, the Osgoode Hall Law School, the Faculties of Law of the Universities of Alberta, British Columbia, Dalhousie, McGill, Saskatchewan, Toronto and Western Ontario, and the Chair in Business Law and International Trade (*Chaire en droit des affaires et du commerce international*), Université de Montréal.**

## *Friday Afternoon, October 19*

### **1:00 p.m. Globalization and the Law – General Perspectives**

*Chair:* James C. Baillie, Torys LLP

*Panelists:* John Curtis, Ottawa • International Trade Perspectives  
Donald Crawshaw, Sullivan Cromwell LLP, NYC • Impact on Multinational Law Firms  
Michael J Trebilcock, University of Toronto • Challenges for Developing Countries  
Ejan Mackaay, Université de Montréal • Impact of the Technological Revolution

### **2:45 pm Intermission**

### **3:05 p.m. Globalization and the Law – Canadian Perspectives**

*Chair:* Kerry Rittich, University of Toronto Law School

*Panelists:* Naomi Alboim, Consultant, Toronto & Queen's University  
• Recognition of Foreign Professional Qualifications and Immigrants to Canada  
Roderick A. Macdonald, McGill University • Canadian Law Schools' Response to Globalization Challenges  
Jacob Ziegel, University of Toronto • International Commercial Law Developments, Canada's Role and the Status of the *ILO Convention* Doctrine

### **4:35 pm Intermission**

### **4:45 p.m. Corporate, Financial, and Securities Law Developments – Canada and Overseas**

*Chair:* Stephanie Ben-Ishai, Osgoode Hall Law School

*Panelists:* Chris Nicholls, University of Western Ontario • Lifting the Corporate Veil  
Poonam Puri, Osgoode Hall Law School and Paul Halpern, Rotman School of Management • Protecting the Small Investor: Reflections on the IDA Report  
Louise Gullifer, Oxford University • English Corporate Law Developments

**6:15 p.m.**     *Adjournment*

**6:30 for  
7:15 p.m.**     *Reception and Annual Dinner* • Faculty Club • University of Toronto

*Guest Speaker:*     The Hon. Bob Rae, former Premier of Ontario

### ***Saturday Morning, October 20***

**9:00 a.m.**     **Modernization of Not-for-Profit Corporations Law**

*Chair:*                Stéphane Rousseau, Université de Montréal

*Panelists:*            Evelyn Brody, Chicago-Kent College of Law  
Coleen Kirby, Industry Canada  
John Mitsopoulos, Min. of Government Services, Ontario  
Marni Whitaker, Lang Michener LLP

**10:40 a.m.**     *Intermission*

**11:00 a.m.**     **Revitalizing Consumer Law – Canadian & Comparative Perspectives**

*Chair:*                Janis Sarra, UBC Faculty of Law

*Panelists:*            Bill Sasso, Sutts, Strosberg LLP • The Impact of Class  
Actions on Enhanced Consumer Protection  
Brian Bucknall, Osgoode Hall Law School • Land Law  
Dilemmas and Forged Documents  
Iain Ramsay, University of Kent • English Developments  
Norbert Reich, Bremen University • EU Developments

### ***Saturday Afternoon, October 20***

**12:40 p.m.**     *Buffet Luncheon*

**1:20 p.m.**     Annual Meeting, Canadian Conference of Commercial and Consumer  
Law

**1:50 p.m.**     **Panel Discussion of S. Ben-Ishai & A.J. Duggan (eds.), *Canadian Bankruptcy  
and Insolvency Law: Bill C-55, Statute c.47 and Beyond* (Lexis Nexis, Toronto,  
2007).**

**Chair:** Senator Yoine Goldstein

**Panelists** Justice Kathryn Feldman, Ontario Court of Appeal  
Andrew Kent, McMillan, Binch, Mendelsohn LLP  
Charles Tabb, University of Illinois College of Law  
Rosalind Mason, Queensland University of Technology

**3:30 p.m.** *Intermission*

**3:40 p.m.** **Restitution of Illegally Imposed Taxes and the Public Interest – The impact of the Supreme Court of Canada’s decision in *Kingstreet Investments v. New Brunswick***

**Chair:** Justice Marshall Rothstein, Supreme Court of Canada

**Panelists:** Ben Alarie, University of Toronto • Tax Aspects  
Peter Hogg, Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP • Public Law Aspects  
Lionel Smith, McGill University • Restitutionary Aspects

**5:10 p.m.** *Adjournment and Reception*

### ***General Notes***

1. Unless otherwise announced, all sessions will be held in the Solarium of Falconer Hall, Faculty of Law, University of Toronto, 84 Queen’s Park. Falconer Hall is to the south of, and immediately adjacent to, the Planetarium on the west side of Queen’s Park. The nearest subway station is “Museum” on the University line.
2. The Reception and Annual Dinner on the Friday evening will be held at the Faculty Club, University of Toronto. The Faculty Club is located at 41 Wilcocks Street, near Spadina Avenue, one full block south of Harbord Street (first traffic lights south).
3. Spouses and friends of Workshop participants are welcome to attend the reception and dinner if there is room. If you wish additional tickets for the event, please contact Scott Ollivierre at [scott.ollivierre@utoronto.ca](mailto:scott.ollivierre@utoronto.ca).

4. Copies of the papers to be discussed and other appropriate materials will be made available at the Workshop. Some may also be distributed in advance. Additional copies can be ordered for a reasonable price.
  
5. For further information or other assistance, please contact Scott Ollivierre at *scott.ollivierre@utoronto.ca*.