

DRAFT December 19, 2007

“The Future of Administrative Justice”
Thursday January 17, 2008 and Friday January 18, 2008
Faculty of Law, University of Toronto

Thursday, January 17, 2008

- 5:00 **Opening**
- 5:05 **Welcome** (Dean Mayo Moran, Faculty of Law, University of Toronto; rep. of organizing committee)
- 5:10 Introduction of keynote address (Justice James Carnwath, Superior Court of Ontario)
- 5:15 **Keynote address**; Lord Justice Robert Carnwath, (Senior President of Tribunals)
- 6:00 **Reception**

Friday, January 18, 2008

- 8:30 Breakfast / Coffee
- 9:00 **Welcome**
- 9:05 **Panel 1: New Frontiers of Merit in Tribunal Appointments**
- Lorne Sossin, Professor, (Faculty of Law, University of Toronto) (moderator)
- Debra Roberts (Public Appointments Secretariat, Government of Ontario)
 - Judith McCormick (Downtown Legal Services)
 - Michael Gottheil (Ontario Human Rights Tribunal)
 - Lilian Ma (Landlord and Tenant Board)
- 10:30 Break

10:45 Panel 2: Current Issues in Tribunal Independence

David Mullan (Integrity Commissioner, City of Toronto) (moderator)

- Ron Ellis (Osgoode Hall Law School)
- Laverne Jacobs (University of Windsor)
- Audrey Macklin (University of Toronto)

Commentator: Visiting Professor, Adam Dodek (Osgoode/U of T)

12:15 Lunch

1:30 Panel 3: New Developments in Tribunal Reform

Justice John Evans (Federal Court) (moderator)

- France Houle (University of Montreal) “Lessons from Quebec”
- Lord Justice Robert Carnwath (Senior President of Tribunals) “Lessons from the UK”
- Dean Philip Bryden (University of New Brunswick) “Lessons from BC”
- Ivana Petricone (ARCH legal clinic, Ontario) “Ontario’s experience”

Commentator: Professor Cristie Ford (University of British Columbia)

3:00 Break

3:15 **Roundtable Discussion on Next Steps to Reform** (Kathy Laird (Ontario Human Rights Tribunal) – Moderator)

4:15 **Conference Wrap-Up**