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Opportunities and Challenges of Written Hearings



In-Person



Administrative Law

Thursday, April 26, 2018 | 9:00 am - 11:00 am

Location: Twenty Toronto Street Conferences and Events

20 Toronto Street, 2nd Floor, Toronto

Program Chairs: Adam Chisholm, McMillan LLP This program is eligible for up to 2 Substantive Hours

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Most tribunals hold at least some hearings in writing, while certain tribunals hold predominantly written hearings. What impact, if any, does this have for your client, and how can you ensure you are putting your best case forward? Our expert faculty will share valuable insights and helpful advice on how to excel at written hearings with this essential program. Register now to secure your spot.

8:30 am Registration and Coffee

9:00 am Welcome and Opening Remarks

9:05 am Written and Oral Hearings in Context

Ian Anderson, Anderson Arbitration Inc. **Ian Mackenzie,** Mackenzie DRS

- Written versus oral hearings: balancing access to justice and efficiency
- Is the Applicant less likely to succeed by way of written hearing?
- Common issues that arise in implementing written hearings and how to overcome them
- What are the potential benefits of blended hearings?

9:30am Practical Advice from Practitioners

Jackie Esmonde, Income Security Advocacy Centre **Maryth Yachnin**, IAVGO Community Legal Clinic

- Strategies for structuring a convincing argument in writing
- Best practices for using evidence to support your submissions
- Making your pitch for an oral hearing, where available
- Managing costs for your client

10:10 am Networking Break

10:20 am What Do Adjudicators Like to See?

Daphne Loukidelis, Adjudicator, Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner – Ontario **Paula Turtle,** Vice Chair, Ontario Labour Relations Board

Hear from our panel of adjudicators as they share what works and what doesn't in written hearings

10:55 am Questions and Concluding Remarks

11:00 am Program Concludes