

Building Trust in Government

Public Sector Ethics Conference

September 29th & 30th, 2016

Toronto, Ontario

“The basis of effective government is public confidence, and that confidence is endangered when ethical standards falter or appear to falter.”

John F. Kennedy

The Goals

The Office of the Conflict of Interest Commissioner of Ontario and its partners are pleased to present a one of a kind event on public sector ethics that will include a diverse panel of perspectives from leaders in the field. The conference provides attendees with a cutting edge discussion that is inclusive of the broad public sector ethics community and new perspectives. The organizers plan to develop peer-reviewed publications from the proceedings of the conference. The conference is **LSUC accredited**. Lawyers in attendance may earn 2 Professionalism Hours and 6.5 Substantive Hours. NOTE: Seating is limited so please register early!

The Venues

The dinner will take place on Day 1 at the Terrace Room of the Gardiner Museum of Ceramic Art centrally located at Bloor and Avenue Road. Day two of the conference will be held at the Jackman Law Building, University of Toronto at 80 Queen’s Park Avenue (Room J140).

Program at a Glance

Day 1 – September 29, 2016 *Dinner Event: Gardiner Museum of Ceramic Art (6:30 pm start)*

- Welcome Remarks: Sidney Linden, *Conflict of Interest Commissioner of Ontario* and Steve Orsini, *Secretary of the Cabinet, Ontario*
- Keynote Introduction: *Supreme Court Justice*, Rosalie Abella
- Keynote Speech: *Former Supreme Court Justice*, Honourable Frank Iacobucci

Day 2 – September 30, 2016 *Jackman Law Building (8:30 am—4:30 pm)*

- Welcome Remarks: *His Excellency the Right Honourable David Johnston, Governor General of Canada (via video)*
- State of Public Sector Ethics: exploring the emerging issues and challenges in the field
- Essential Elements of an ethics regime: proactive or reactive?
- *Luncheon Keynote by the Honourable Bob Rae*
- Political activity: Free speech v. neutrality: navigating in an information age
- Success stories of public inquiries: the experience of ethics breaches and subsequent reforms

Please [click here](#) for speaker bios



Day 1 Keynote Speaker

Former Supreme Court Justice
Honourable Frank Iacobucci



Day 2 Keynote Speaker

Former Premier of Ontario
Honourable Bob Rae

Conference Details & Registration at:

<https://www.ipac.ca/Ethics-Reg>

Registration: \$400.00 includes dinner event on Day 1.
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