

THE PRACTITIONERS' GUIDE TO RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD-TENANT DISPUTES

Eviction Notice

Practical tools for success at the Landlord and Tenant Board – for lawyers and paralegals

Join an expert faculty of lawyers, paralegals and adjudicators as they drill down on the key aspects of residential landlord and tenant law, including:

- Current legislation and case law affecting your practice
- Strategies and best practices for appearing for landlord or tenants
- Negotiating the labyrinth of applications at the Landlord and Tenant Board including evictions, terminations of tenancy, tenant rights and maintenance applications
- How to handle evictions: tenant and landlord perspectives
- Tips on handling post-decision enforcement, reviews and appeals

Register today at:

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Program Chair:

Dr. Lilian Ma
former Associate Chair, Landlord and Tenant Board, Social Justice Tribunals Ontario

Program Details:

DATE AND TIME:

Friday, April 21, 2017

9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. EDT

In Person or Webcast

Online Replay: May 31, 2017

LOCATION

Osgoode Professional Development

1 Dundas St. West, 26th Floor
Toronto, ON

The Practitioners' Guide to Residential Landlord-Tenant Disputes

Landlord and Tenant Board matters can be complex and may disarm even the most experienced litigator. Understanding how to navigate the process is critical for legal professionals who act for landlords or tenants.

In this unique full-day program, you will learn about the key components of landlord and tenant law from a faculty of practitioners with years of experience presiding over or litigating residential tenancies issues.

Our experts will show you:

- Strategies on navigating the maze of applications
- How to decipher the *Residential Tenancies Act* and the remedies available to you
- When and how to appeal a decision
- How to best avoid pitfalls when appearing before the Landlord and Tenant Board

Who Should Attend?

Lawyers and Paralegals who appear at the Landlord and Tenant Board.

Our participants say it best:

“Within the first ½ hour of the program, I learned some valuable information which essentially paid for the course. Thank you!”

Paul Kyte, Paralegal, Paul Kyte Professional Corporation

“Materials will serve as a useful resource! Thank you!”

Stephen Fielder, Paralegal

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Agenda

Friday, April 21, 2017

8:30 a.m.

Registration and Continental Breakfast

9:00 a.m.

Introduction and Opening Remarks from the Chair

Dr. Lilian Ma, former Associate Chair, Landlord and Tenant Board, Social Justice Tribunals Ontario

9:05 a.m.

Working with the *Residential Tenancies Act (RTA)*

In this session, you will get a solid foundation in landlord and tenant law by way of a comprehensive overview of the *RTA*. Topics include:

- When does the *RTA* apply? What are the exemptions?
- What is the Landlord & Tenant Board's jurisdiction?
- Statutory terms of tenancy and rent control
- Landlord and Tenant applications under the legislation and the available remedies at the Landlord and Tenant Board
- Effects of eviction orders

Faculty

Joe Hoffer, Cohen Highley LLP

10:15 a.m.

Refreshment Break

10:30 a.m.

Landlord vs. Tenant: Exploring Both Perspectives

Benefit from knowing both the tenant and landlord perspectives as experienced practitioners from both sides square off on some of the key issues. Topics include:

- Exemptions from the *RTA*
- Evictions
- Tenant maintenance applications

Faculty

Jane L. Ferguson, Barrister & Solicitor

Jack Fleming, Executive Director, North Peel & Dufferin Community Legal Services

Tracy Heffernan, Tenant Duty Counsel, Advocate Centre for Tenants Ontario

12:00 p.m.

Networking Lunch

12:45 p.m.

Avoiding Pitfalls at the Landlord and Tenant Board

In this session, learn from former adjudicators of the Landlord and Tenant Board as they identify, review and share their insight about the most frequently encountered scenarios at the Board.

Topics include:

- Possession
- Notices of Termination (and avoidance of Notices)
- Application of the Board's Rules and Guidelines

Faculty

Louis Bourgon, former Member, Landlord and Tenant Board, Social Justice Tribunals Ontario

Dr. Lilian Ma, former Associate Chair, Landlord and Tenant Board, Social Justice Tribunals Ontario

1:45 p.m.

So Your Client Won (or Lost) – Now What? Costs, Reviews, Appeals and Enforcement

It's not enough to get your clients to the finish lines. Often the post-decision issues have the greatest ramifications. This session will address some of the key procedural and advocacy issues including:

- Costs: How to make effective submissions
- Reviews: When can a decision be reviewed? What is a "serious error"?
- Appeals: When can you appeal?
- Appeals vs. Reviews: The main differences and their consequences and knowing which one to elect
- Enforcement: Steps to take to ensure your order is properly enforced.

Faculty

Jack de Klerk, Director of Legal Services, Neighbourhood Legal Services

Doug Levitt, Horlick Levitt Di Lella LLP

2:30 p.m.

Refreshment Break

2:45 p.m.

Recent Developments and Cases in Residential Landlord-Tenant Law

In this one-hour session, you will get a thorough review of all the latest developments and decisions in residential landlord and tenant law.

Faculty

Eli Fellman, Legal Counsel, Social Justice Tribunals Ontario

3:45 p.m.

Ethical and Professionalism Issues at the Landlord and Tenant Board

An interactive discussion about some of the common ethical issues that can arise, including your obligations when dealing with self-represented parties and acting as both advocate and witness in the same proceeding.

Faculty

Dr. Lilian Ma, former Associate Chair, Landlord and Tenant Board, Social Justice Tribunals Ontario

4:30 p.m.

Program Concludes

Our participants say it best:

“Topics were excellent, particularly for me as a paralegal who appears regularly at the Landlord & Tenant Board.”

Emma Sims, Paralegal, Cohen Highley LLP

“Good program. I really appreciated the case law provided.”

Bruce Parsons, Paralegal

“Very diverse group of speakers who cater to a variety of attendees. Thank you for providing some excellent materials. Course binders are A+.”

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Chair

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Registration Details

Fee per Delegate

\$525 plus HST

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