

THE OSGOODE CERTIFICATE IN NEGOTIATING AND DRAFTING IT AGREEMENTS

“Excellent speakers, great additional commentary and questions from Brad throughout. Very relevant to my practice.”

2022 Participant

Do you have the skills and knowledge you need to confidently negotiate and draft IT agreements?

Join expert legal and IT specialists in this innovative and intensive course. You'll get a deep dive into the essential aspects of structuring, negotiating and drafting IT agreements, including:

- Allocating liability and managing security, compliance and privacy issues
- Crucial drafting tips and advanced negotiation strategies and tactics
- Key IP issues that affect IT agreements
- Critical cross-border considerations, emerging issues and technology trends
- **PLUS!** Get personalized feedback, essential skills and practical strategies through learn-by-doing drafting and negotiating workshops.

Register today at:

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PROGRAM DIRECTOR

P. Bradley Limpert
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REGISTRATION DETAILS

March 21, April 4, 18 and
May 23*, 2024
Online (Blended)

PLUS! Two online primers available on demand upon registration**.

Can't make the date?
Registration includes 120-day unlimited, online access to the recorded program.

**Module 4 must be completed live and will not be recorded.*

***Must view both online primers (1 hour each) to obtain your certificate.*

The Osgoode Certificate in Negotiating and Drafting IT Agreements

To ensure an optimal learning environment, the program restricts enrollment. Reserve your place now to take advantage of this unique opportunity to enhance your experience with:

- 2 Online Primers (On Demand)
- 3 One-Day Modules of Lectures and Demonstrations (you will have 120-day access to the recordings of these modules)
- Additional pre-recorded Lectures to view on your own schedule (approx. 5 hours)
- One-Day Skills Workshop, live online attendance is required (this is not recorded)

*“Very collaborative,
strong talent at the
instructor level.”*

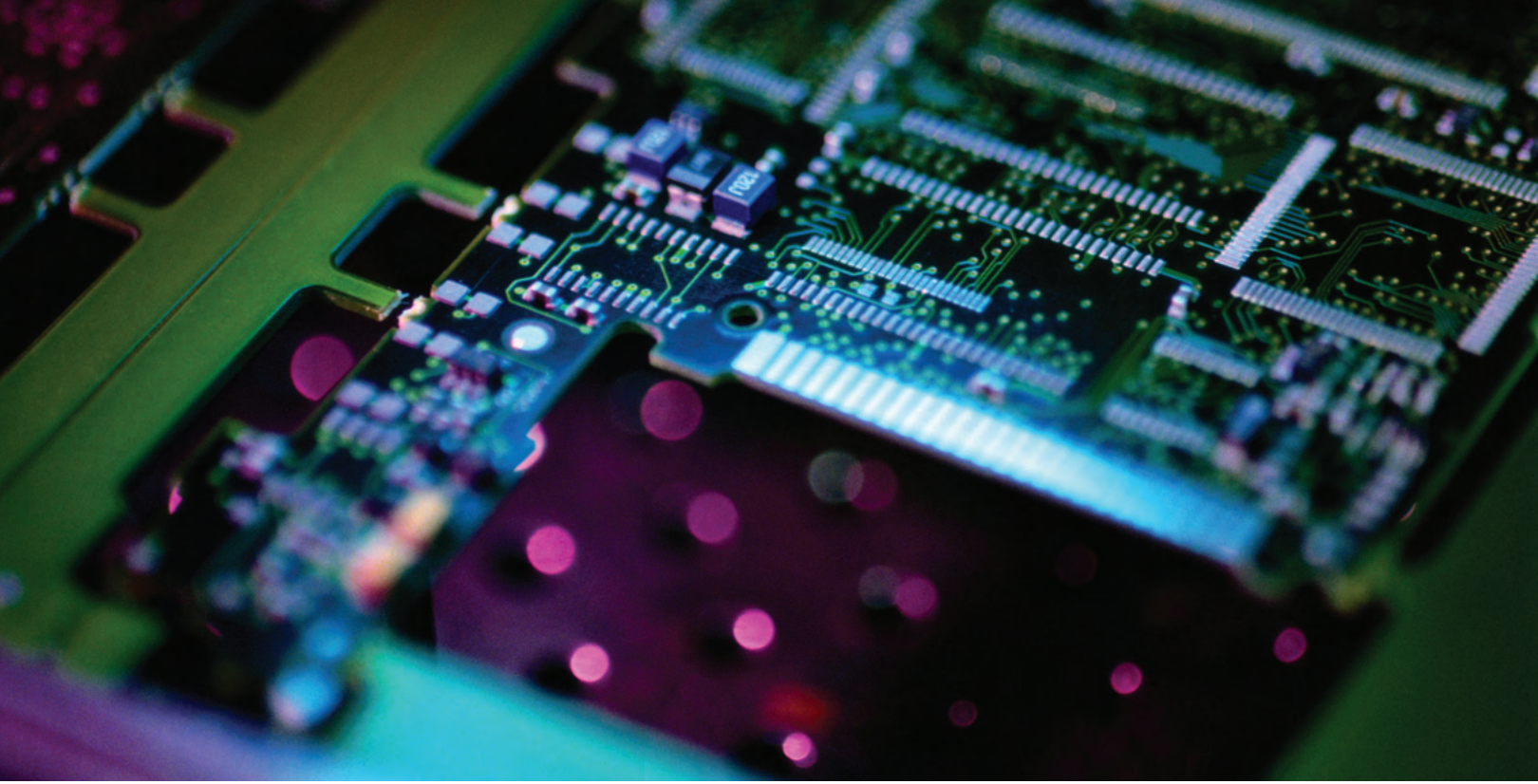
*“I have attended multiple
online classes, but your
platform is superior!
The quality was excellent.”*

Whether you're a lawyer in private practice or working within an organization in a legal or professional capacity, IT agreements will likely cross your desk. To avoid costly mistakes, you need to know how to anticipate problems, cover-off key points and adequately protect your client's interests.

Are you prepared?

In this intensive Osgoode Certificate, an expert faculty will provide you with the knowledge and skills you need to confidently and competently structure IT contracts and get practical tools to draft and negotiate contentious clauses. Over four modules, you'll also learn about the critical business, tech and IP aspects underlying IT agreements, giving you a solid grounding in essential concepts.

You will also get the opportunity to reinforce your understanding of key concepts and apply what you've learned in small group drafting and negotiation workshops, where you will benefit from personalized feedback from expert facilitators.



Get Practical Tips, Knowledge and Strategies, in areas including:

- Fundamentals of IT components, players and activities
- Strategies for allocating liability in an IT contract
- Key IP issues that affect IT agreements
- Addressing compliance challenges in open source software licensing
- Advanced negotiation strategies and tactics
- Common drafting and negotiation issues that impact IT agreements
- Best practices for proceeding ethically in contract negotiations
- Critical security and privacy issues and how to manage them
- Critical cross-border considerations
- Emerging issues and technology trends

Who Should Attend:

- Lawyers and professionals who advise on IT agreements and software licensing
- In-house counsel and executives managing software and IT services procurement
- IT managers and developers
- IT procurement professionals
- IT advisors and consultants
- Contract managers and specialists
- Government professionals managing software and IT services procurement
- Outsourcing professionals
- Advisors to technology start-ups and entrepreneurs

“This course was an excellent opportunity to embrace the complexity and nuances of IT Agreements with professionals and specialists in the field. Definitely worth the time!”

J.F. Latreille, CD, Dubé Latreille Lawyers

Drawing on the expertise and experience of leading legal and IT specialists, including:

Program Director



P. Bradley Limpert

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Bradley Limpert is recognized by Intellectual Asset Management of London, UK as one of the world's leading technology licensing and litigation lawyers. Prior to practicing law, he worked as a software developer, project manager and marketing rep. Bradley is also a Certified Licensing Professional and a Patent Agent.

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“Mock negotiations was truly beneficial and valuable. Working through actual negotiations was practical and a great way to learn and absorb the material.”

2022 Participant

“The process of working through the drafting assignment really solidified the material which had presented over the first three days.”

2022 Participant

“The students had the privilege of receiving feedback from the faculty in real-time, which was very useful in the course of the negotiation.”

2021 Participant

Agenda

ONLINE PRIMERS (ON DEMAND)

Focusing on critical development methodologies and the ethical elements most likely to be at issue in any software or technology situation, we strongly encourage you to view both Online Primers before module 1. You can view anytime.

Online modules are mobile-friendly.

Understanding IT System Development Methodologies

This module provides you with the technical background you need to hit the ground running:

- Establishing scope, planning and specifying requirements
- System design
- Development/build stage to implementation/rollout
- Third party contracts

Navigating Ethical Issues in IT Transactions

This module will teach you everything you need to know to handle thorny ethical issues, including how to address conflicts of interest and when the duty of good faith applies in negotiations.

SELF-PACED SESSIONS

At the start of the program, you will receive access to additional pre-recorded lectures on critical topics that you can view throughout the program on your own schedule. Approx. 5 hours.

Reseller and VAR Agreements

- Understanding terminology and distinctions: Resellers, VARs and distributors
- Exclusive vs. non-exclusive agreements
- Key rights/obligations of Resellers and VARs vs. key obligations of Vendor
- Pricing/payment arrangements
- Term/termination, representations, warranties and indemnities

Negotiation Techniques for IT Agreements

- Can you win without negotiating? Due diligence and preparation for negotiations
- The effect of timing on negotiations
- Structure of negotiations/parallel negotiations
- Creating your BATNA
- How does uncertainty and lack of information affect negotiations?

The Most Important Rule for Contract Drafting and Negotiation

A Developer's Perspective on IT Agreements

- Understanding the service provider's perspective to help navigate risks
- Consider developer's use of assumptions
- How can service providers and purchasers improve their relationship?

Development Agreements

- A developer's perspective: key assumptions and their implications
- Failure rates and remedies, includes non-financial, non-performance and providing for escalation and dispute resolution procedures
- Understanding vendor/developer interests: key pitfalls purchasers should watch out for
- Incorporating development documents into the legal agreement

IT Outsourcing Agreements

- Forms of outsourcing, including: cloud computing, SaaS, and shared service arrangements
- Specifying service levels in the agreement: multi-sourcing and sub-contractors
- Indemnities and limitations of liability
- Change of control and governance
- Benchmarking and other price/innovation clauses

MODULE 1

Thursday, March 21, 2024
8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. ET

Foundations of IT Agreements

Module 1 will provide you with the foundational knowledge you need to maximize your understanding and participation in the remainder of the certificate. You will learn the critical IP and technological aspects of IT contracts, systems and development, as well as the key cross-border issues to consider in IT agreements. The day will end with a primer on negotiation techniques and small group discussion.

Essential IP Elements and Concepts

- Aspects of IT that can be protected by trade secret, copyright, patents, and trademark laws
- How is IP obtained, registered and enforced?
- What is legally protectable confidential information?
- Independent creation as a defence to infringement and risks arising from joint ownership of IP
- What rights do employees and independent contractors have in the IP they create?

Understanding the IP in Your IT: Intellectual Property Considerations Critical to Your Technology Agreements

- Identifying the IP and its ownership; potential pitfalls arising from joint ownership of IP
- Copyright, trade secrets, confidential information, outsourcing, M&A
- Characterizing IP involved in the transaction: foreground versus background IP; base product versus customization; methodologies versus work product
- What rights do employees and independent contractors have in the IP they provide as part of technology development?
- How information technology agreements can impact M&A transactions

Key Components, Players and Activities in IT Systems

- IT development, deployment, integration, migration and maintenance: who does what?
- The roles and interests of the key players: Systems Analyst, Programmer, Project Manager, etc.
- Typical life cycles of software development, licensing, customization and sale

Risks and Liabilities from a Technical Perspective

- Data loss, data integrity
- Scope creep, integration risk
- Limitations of testing, bugs and defects
- Interaction with legacy systems and interface with other systems
- Vendor control of technology architecture

Critical Cross-Border Issues in IT Contracting

Increasingly, the scope of technology agreements reaches beyond Canada and may engage foreign parties. Learn the multi-jurisdictional issues that affect IT contracts, includes factors affecting the scope and terms of cross-border agreements and the protection of IP rights and confidential/personal information across jurisdictions.

Take-Home Drafting Assignment: Distribution

The take-home drafting assignment will be distributed. This assignment is expected to take about 3-4 hours to complete and it will be due the week after module 3.

MODULE 2

Thursday, April 4, 2024
8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. ET
Privacy/Security; Software Development

Module 2 will continue to examine the essential underlying concepts required for negotiating and drafting IT agreements. The discussion will drill down on strategies to allocate liability in an IT contract, and security and privacy issues. The focus will shift to examining specific types of IT agreements, including software development agreements. The day will conclude with an interactive demonstration to highlight best practices and tips for negotiating performance warranties and guarantee clauses and small group discussion.

Allocating Liability in the IT Contract

- Thinking through limits of liability, disclaimers, waivers and related clauses
- Liability issues associated with privacy, security and confidentiality
- Indemnities and how they are structured

Security Issues in IT Transactions

- Types of security risks: data integrity, transmission, access control, and more
- Methods for ensuring security of information and dealing with spyware

Privacy Issues Affecting IT Transactions

- Privacy overview and common traps in various IT transactions
- The impact of the US and EU laws
- Audit issues: reporting, recording and disclosure of security and privacy measures

Drafting and Negotiating your Contract with the Judge or Arbitrator in Mind

- Special short session highlighting the importance of keeping the Judge and Arbitrator in mind when drafting

Confidentiality Agreements and Escrow Agreements

This session will examine two key but under-appreciated contracts: Non-Disclosure Agreements (NDAs) and Source Code Escrow Agreements. Learn how to minimize the risks of disclosing and receiving confidential information, as well as the common problems and pitfalls with escrow agreements.

Demonstration: Negotiating Performance Warranties and Remedies

You will have an opportunity to observe and interact with a live negotiation from the perspective of both supplier and customer. The panel will examine various negotiation positions and provide guidance on the strategic use of language when drafting these important clauses.

Take-Home Drafting Assignment: Discussion/Q&A

You will have the chance to clarify your outstanding questions on the drafting assignment. This assignment is expected to take about 3-4 hours to complete and it will be due the week after module 3.

MODULE 3

Thursday, April 18, 2024
8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. ET
Fundamentals of Key IT Agreements

Module 3 will continue to examine specific types of IT agreements, including outsourcing, support and maintenance and software licensing agreements. Expert faculty will deliver our second interactive demonstration session, focusing on the negotiation of a License Agreement from the perspective of both supplier and customer.

IT Support and Maintenance Agreements

- How to select the type of support coverage
- Characterizing errors and problems: anticipating and avoiding disputes
- Software updates, upgrades and support for old versions, hardware support and maintenance
- Standard versus customized packages, includes online versus on-site support

Software Licensing Agreements

- Portal access license vs license agreements: pros/cons from licensee and licensor perspectives
- Software bundling: issues arising from inclusion of 3rd party products, rights in derivative works
- Object code vs source code license agreements
- Relationship between software license, consulting services, maintenance and support Maintaining and Insuring

Open Source Software Licensing

- Benefits and risks of open source software: mixing open source and proprietary software
- Types of open source software licenses: addressing open source software in your business model
- Trends, policy approaches and issues to watch out for

Demonstration: Negotiating a License Agreement

Observe senior practitioners negotiate the key elements of a License Agreement, and learn tools to effectively address issues including payment terms, scope, ownership of IP, strategies for negotiating value-adds, and governance provisions.

Drafting Assignment Deadline

The drafting assignment will be due the week after this module 3.

MODULE 4

Thursday, May 23, 2024
9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. ET
Interactive Drafting and Negotiation Workshop

NOTE: *Due to the interactive nature of this workshop, live online attendance is required for this module. This module will not be recorded.*

In module 4, you will have an opportunity to put into action what you have learned. The day will feature small groups, interactive workshops, plus a presentation on advanced negotiation techniques.

DRAFTING WORKSHOP AND ASSIGNMENT REVIEW: License Agreement

Get personalized feedback on your drafting skills and gain strategies, best practices and model drafting clauses from highly experienced faculty.

Instructional Session: Advanced Negotiation Techniques for IT Agreements

Building on the negotiation techniques primer delivered in Module 1, you will learn about using Game Theory and Behavioural Economics in your negotiations, as well as how to conduct a self-assessment of your negotiation skills.

NEGOTIATION WORKSHOP: Tying It All Together (Mock Negotiation)

In small groups, you will engage in a mock negotiation representing either the vendor or customer. Your performance will be assessed and you will receive feedback from an expert facilitator, including guidance on areas for improvement.

After the live negotiations, you will benefit from a master debrief and group discussion.

Registration Details

Fee per Delegate: \$3,695 + TAX

Newly Licensed*: \$1,847.50 + TAX

**This fee applies to newly licensed regulated professionals within the past 2 years*

Fees include attendance, electronic materials, technical support and 120-day access to recorded program content. Group discounts are available. Visit www.osgoodepd.ca/group-discounts for details.

Financial Assistance

This program is eligible for OSAP funding. Federal and provincial job grants may be available. You may also apply for financial assistance with OsgoodePD. To learn more, visit: www.osgoodepd.ca/financial-assistance.

Program Changes

We will make every effort to present the program as advertised, but it may be necessary to change the date, location, speakers or content with little or no notice. In the event of program cancellation, York University's and Osgoode Hall Law School's liability is limited to reimbursement of paid fees.

Cancellations and Substitutions

Substitution of registrants is permitted at any time. If you are unable to find a substitute, a full refund is available if a cancellation request is received in writing 21 days prior to the program date. If a cancellation request is made with less than 21 days notice, a \$150 administration fee will apply. No other refund is available.

For Further Program-Related Information, Please Contact:

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Certificate Requirements

To receive an Osgoode Certificate, you must view both online primers (1 hour each, available on demand), view additional pre-recorded lectures (approx. 5 hours), attend modules 1-3 (online live or via recorded archive), attend, live module 4 and successfully complete the mock negotiation on May 23 (online live). You must also complete and pass a take-home assignment.

NOTE: Successfully complete means to do so in a manner consistent with fairness, respect and dignity for your fellow delegates and facilitators.

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Here's what some of our past participants had to say about this Certificate program:

“In-depth content, experienced instructors, excellent execution through the drafting assignment and mock negotiations, and collegial environment to get you started with IT drafting. I highly recommend this certification.”

Reza Barari
In House Counsel in iGaming,
Privacy & Cybersecurity,
UBIQ Analytics Ltd.

“Overall I am very happy with the course. Even though I do not have a legal background, I was taught by the professors to understand the legal terms.”

Varunnath Ramanathan
Analyst-Vendor Management,
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