# 12<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN ADVANCED ISSUES IN CHILD AND SPOUSAL SUPPORT

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In **1 intensive day** get in-depth, current and expert guidance on those challenging child and spousal support issues, including:

- Revisiting retroactive support claims
- The ABCs of supporting post-secondary education
- Finding money in the shadows: complex issues imputing income
- *Critical Case Law Update*: the key cases from the past year and what they mean for your clients

**PLUS:** View from the Bench & Trenches: Hear from judges and senior counsel about the key issues facing the family law bar.

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## **PROGRAM CHAIRS**

William Abbott MacDonald & Partners LLP

**George Karahotzitis** Thomson Rogers

## **REGISTRATION OPTIONS**

- November 11, 2022: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. ET Online (Live)
- December 8, 2022: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. ET Online (Replay)

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Support issues are increasingly complex. **Mistakes can be critical – and costly.** Get what you need to advise with confidence.

This annual *OsgoodePD* program is a must attend event for the family law bar. Not just a quick summary of current issues, you will get an **in-depth analysis** of the critical challenges together with **real-world applications** and **strategies** from senior family law judges, lawyers and professional valuators.

Join the experts as they delve into the challenges and provide you with **solutions** to the issues you and your clients grapple with daily.

# Topics Include

- Support obligations after high school including funding the gap year; tuition and residence; students' obligation to contribute
- Navigating (and negotiating) retroactive support claims post-Colucci
- Practice pitfalls for family lawyers and how to avoid them
- If and when does entitlement to support end when there is lots to go around?
- Thorny income imputation issues, including rates of return on investments, Bitcoin and more

# Who Should Attend

- Family Lawyers
- $\cdot\,$  Other legal professionals who practice family law
- · General practitioners whose practice includes family law

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# Agenda

## 9:00 a.m.

Welcome from the Chairs

**William H. Abbott** MacDonald & Partners LLP

**George Karahotzitis** Thomson Rogers

## 9:10 a.m.

## Critical Case Law Update

**Gary S. Joseph** MacDonald & Partners LLP

Adam Prewer Epstein Cole LLP

The law around child and spousal support issues continues to develop at a rapid pace. In this opening session, our experts will provide an in-depth review of some of the most important cases of the past year and discuss their likely impact.

### 10:10 a.m.

### ABCs of Child Support Post- High School

Judith M. Nicoll, McInnis & Nicoll

Michael Stangarone,

MacDonald & Partners LLP

- Post-secondary education:
- Who is responsible for funding it?
- What is covered?
- When does it end? How many degrees and diplomas is too many?
- What is the payor's obligation to continue to pay for extra expenses (cell phones, transportation home?)
- What, if any, obligation does the child

have to contribute?

- Support for a Gap Year
- What happens when the (almost) adult child doesn't continue in school, but still lives at home

#### 10:55 a.m.

Health Break

#### 11:10 a.m.

#### Revisiting Retroactive Support Claims

#### The Hon. Justice Melanie Kraft

Ontario Superior Court of Justice

Cheryl Goldhart

Goldhart & Associates

Post-*Colucci*, counsel are grappling with how to navigate the challenges of negotiating and litigating claims for retroactive child and spousal support. Should we still be discounting retroactive support claims and support arrears lost in settlement discussions, given the Court's current position? What are the issues counsel need to be aware of when negotiating these claims? What does the Court need from counsel when advancing or defending an application for retroactive support? Receive expert guidance on these and other key issues.

12:00 p.m.

Lunch Break

#### 1:00 p.m.

Finding Money in the Shadows: Complex Issues Imputing Income

Ilana Zylberman Dembo Epstein Cole LLP

#### Matthew Krofchick, CPA, CMA, CBV, CMC, CFF, FDRP-Val Krofchick Valuations

Get expert guidance on some of the more thorny challenges, including:

- Rate of return on investments: what is obligation to cash out and ensure a rate of return?
- Investable assets rates of return when and what kind of expert do you need?
- Bitcoin/ cyber-currency determining income, rates of return, etc.

#### 1:45 p.m.

Ending or Reducing Support – If, How and When

Rollie Thompson, QC Professor Emeritus of Law, Schulich School of Law, Dalhousie University

Maxine M. Kerr Family Law & Mediation

What are the pre-conditions to support? When does entitlement to support end (especially when there is lots to go around)? For your high-income earner clients, how much support is enough? What are the best strategies for defending attacks to reduce or suspend support? Get answers to these and other key questions.

#### 2:30 p.m.

Health Break

#### 2:45 p.m.

### Practice Pitfalls For Family Law Lawyers (and How to Avoid Them)

William M. Trudell William M. Trudell P.C.

### 3:15 p.m.

#### View from the Bench and Trenches

**The Hon. Justice David Jarvis** Ontario Superior Court of Justice

The Hon. Justice Melanie Kraft

Ontario Superior Court of Justice

The Hon. Justice Tami L. Waters Ontario Superior Court of Justice

**Charu Chande** J K Hannaford Barristers

Heather L. Hansen, C.S. McCarthy Hansen & Company LLP

An interactive Q&A with judges and senior family law practitioners. Hear from experienced judges about what they want (and don't want) to hear and see from advocates.

This interactive forum will also provide you the opportunity to ask the experts about other challenging issues you are facing, get practice tips and more.

4:00 p.m. Program Concludes

#### Past attendees say it best:

Struck the right note for senior counsel and those less familiar with family law concepts. Complex issues well explained and clarified.

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