

INTERNATIONAL LEGAL PERSPECTIVES ON OLDER PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES: CIVIL AND CRIMINAL LAW PRACTICE

**August 6, 2011, 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
Metro Toronto Convention Centre, Room 715A, 700 Level**

This CLE program focuses on the ways in which diverse international jurisdictions address a range of legal issues of concern for older persons with disabilities. As the natural lifespan is extended due to advances in modern medicine, and as each nation's outsized "baby boomer" generation continues to age, such issues are achieving prominence in virtually every mode of contemporary legal service. Practical litigation and advocacy skills will be emphasized with respect to the representation of older persons with disabilities in both civil and criminal contexts.

This multinational panel will address (1) recent and pending reforms in guardianship and conservatorship schemes; (2) disability specific aspects of initial contact with the criminal justice system; (3) circumstances of accommodation or confinement in such settings as independent living, personal care homes, hospitals, jails, and prisons; and (4) technologically informed approaches to the assessment and prospective documentation of testamentary capacity for this unique population. Examples from legal systems around the world will be highlighted for the purpose of informing practice of American lawyers concerning each topic addressed.

Speakers:

- John R. Williams, Aberystwyth, Ceredigion, United Kingdom
- Honorable Judge Kristin Booth-Glen, New York, New York
- Honourable Justice David M. Brown, Toronto, Ontario, Canada

Moderator:

- Dr. Eric Y. Drogin, J.D., Hingham, Massachusetts

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