

## Transparency, Open Courts and Administrative Tribunals: Implications of Toronto Star v. AG Ontario

### *Administrative Law*



In-Person



Webcast

**Date:** Wednesday, October 17, 2018 | 9:00 am to 12:00 p.m.

**Location:** Twenty Toronto Street Conferences and Events  
20 Toronto Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Toronto

**Program Chairs:** **Jill Cross**, Law Society of Ontario  
**Edgar-André Montigny**, Montigny Law



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In April 2018, the Ontario Superior Court of Justice released its decision in *Toronto Star v. AG Ontario*, finding that the application of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act to administrative tribunals violates the open courts principle embedded in section 2(b) of the *Charter*. Join our expert faculty to explore the implications of this decision for administrative tribunals in Ontario, and the parties appearing before them. Gather helpful advice on how to balance the need to present your client's strongest case with the obligation to protect their privacy interests.

8:30 am Registration and Coffee

9:00 am Welcome and Opening Remarks

9:05 am **Unraveling the Toronto Star Decision**

**Paul Schabas**, Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP  
**Christopher Berzins**, Ontario Securities Commission  
**Marie Chen**, Income Security Advocacy Centre  
**Moderator: Diane Janisse**, Legal Aid Ontario Resource Office

Join our expert panel for an in-depth discussion of this ground-breaking case. How and why did the litigation happen? And what will the decision mean for tribunals and the people who use them in the years to come? The engaging question and answer format will expand your knowledge of the case beyond its ratio and prepare you to represent your clients in the new world of more "open" tribunals.

11:00 am **Practical Strategies for Counsel Seeking to Protect Clients' Privacy**

**William Challis**, Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner of Ontario

**Daniel Michaluk**, Hicks Morley Hamilton Stewart Storie LLP

**Mariam Shanouda**, Staff Lawyer, Arch Disability Law Centre

**Moderator: Edgar-André Montigny**, Montigny Law

- What's changed for your practice
- Evaluating key privacy issues when appearing before tribunals
- Identifying privacy concerns to clients with disabilities
- Issues organizations face when protecting confidentiality

11:45 am Questions and Concluding Remarks

10:05am **Tribunal Responses: What This Decision Means for Tribunals**

**Jonathan Barry**, Associate Chair of the Licence Appeal Tribunal

**Lorissa Sciarra**, Chief Administrative Officer, Criminal Injuries Compensation

**Matthew Peachey**, Legal Counsel, SLASTO

**Moderator: Jill Cross**, Law Society of Ontario

- Information requests pre-Toronto Star
- Possible effects of Toronto Star on handling information requests
- Tribunal perspectives for advocates and parties

12:00 pm Program Concludes

10:45 am Networking Break

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