



CALL FOR PAPERS 2010

2010 Canadian Conference on Elder Law
October 28- 30, 2010
Delta Chelsea Hotel, Toronto, Ontario, Canada

In collaboration with the Law Commission of Ontario and the Advocacy Centre for the Elderly, the Canadian Centre for Elder Law announces its 5th annual Canadian (International) Conference on Elder Law Issues

Developing an Anti-Ageist Approach to the Law

The Canadian Centre for Elder Law and the Law Commission of Ontario welcome submissions for workshops, individual paper presentations and symposia/panel presentations for this year's exciting conference. The call for abstracts deadline is **June 30, 2010**, but **early expressions of interest are strongly recommended**. Submissions will be adjudicated and notifications will be made no later than mid-July 2010.

We encourage submissions from law students, for a potential inclusion in a student panel.

The theme of this conference is "Developing an Anti-Ageist Approach to the Law", reflecting and supporting the Law Commission of Ontario's multi-year project to develop a holistic and principled framework for the law as it affects older adults. The conference will explore issues of elder rights, ageism and the law, access to justice, and law reform for older persons. In particular, the Conference aims to promote discussion and reflection on the following issues:

1. ***Ageism and the Law***: the Conference aims to explore how ageism may operate in or through the law, whether through its design or implementation, explicitly or implicitly. This may include exploration of how ageist stereotypes or assumptions about older adults may manifest in the design or implementation of the law; the neglect of issues of importance to older adults in the law or the failure to recognize how older adults may be uniquely or disproportionately affected by particular laws; and the use of age-based criteria among other issues.

2. **Access to Justice for Older Adults:** Older adults may face unique challenges when trying to enforce their rights due to, for example, ageism, health issues, living arrangements, or capacity issues. What types of services and systems are needed to ensure that older adults have access to justice? Is there a need for specialized legal aid services? Other senior advocacy services? Ombudsman for long term care? Dedicated rights advisors to provide advice and connection to legal assistance for particular situations when a senior's rights may be subject to limitations or challenge? How can technology be used to expand access to legal assistance and legal information? What are the limitations to technology in providing legal services to older adults? What needs to be included in different types of legislation to protect or enforce seniors' rights in health care, in hospitals, in retirement home accommodation, in long term care, in respect to home care services? The Conference aims to explore these and other issues related to access to justice for older adults.

3. **Law Reform and Older Adults:** what are the processes and principles that should form the basis on which law reform relating to older adults should be carried out? What are the considerations that should be taken into account in designing laws that may affect older adults? Why do laws that appear effective and appropriate as drafted so often fail to effect the intended improvements or even have a negative effect in the lives of older persons? This may include both theoretical discussions and descriptions of successful law reform efforts.

We are pleased to announce that the Advocacy Centre for the Elderly, a pioneer in promoting and protecting access to justice for older persons, will bring its unique expertise and perspective to the conference, developing the stream of conference programming related to access to justice for older adults.

While submissions related to the theme of the conference as described above are encouraged, **this call for abstracts embraces a broad variety of socio-legal topics related to law and aging that do not specifically deal with these issues.**

The focus of this conference is law, but interdisciplinary abstracts are welcome for its workshops, panels or symposia.

World Study Group on Elder Law: The World Study Group on Elder Law is a group of scholars furthering research in the area of law and aging who meet annually to present research updates and new work in this important field. This year's conference pre-day will be hosted on **Thursday, October 28, 2010**. Please contact Elizabeth Pinsent at epinsent@bcli.org for information on this year's World Study Group forum.

Submissions: Submissions should be sent to 2010CCEL@gmail.com. Electronic submissions are preferred; however, if you are unable to provide an electronic submission, you may fax your documents to 416-650-8418.

Submissions should include a completed **Submission Form** (see attached) detailing:

1. the title of the proposed paper
2. an abstract of up to 250 words
3. full contact information

All individuals attending the conference (including presenters) are required to complete a registration form and pay the registration fee. At least one presenter from each presentation must register and pay by **Friday, September 3, 2010** in order to confirm your spot in the program. **Conference registration will commence shortly.** More information will be posted regularly at the Conference website which will be soon up at www.bcli.org/ccel

Completed papers should be journal length (approximately 15 – 40 pages double-spaced), in Word format with 12 point font. Written materials for all presentations must be submitted by **Friday, October 1, 2010.** Speakers at the Conference are encouraged to submit their paper for publication to the Canadian Journal of Elder Law. Please contact the Journal at cjel@bcli.org.

If you require more information, please contact:

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YOUR DETAILS:

Full Name: _____

Position: _____

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TITLE OF ABSTRACT:

TYPE OF PROPOSED PRESENTATION:

_____ Workshop

_____ Individual Panel Presentation (conference organizers will match you with other individual presenters)

_____ Symposium or Panel (please include the names and affiliations of all presenters)

AUDIO-VISUAL REQUIREMENTS

Audio-visual equipment available for presentations includes 1 LCD projector, 1 laptop and 1 screen. Additional equipment such as laser pointers, TVs, monitors etc will not be regularly

supplied and must be arranged by the presenter if required. If you should wish, we can assist you with this.

Please indicate all audio-visual requirements for your presentation. We cannot guarantee last minute accommodation of presentation changes for Information Technology needs. Powerpoint presentations must be received no later than **October 1, 2010** and each participant is responsible for bringing backup copies on a memory stick or a CD of their PowerPoint presentation.

____ Oral Presentation (no IT needs)

____ Power Point presentation

____ Workshop (Flip chart and markers)

____ Other (please specify other audio-visual equipment needs or presentation styles that you would like to use)

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

Please attach an abstract of up to **250 words** detailing the content of your proposed paper or workshop.

Please note that completed papers and workshop materials will be due no later than **October 1, 2010**.

**Please forward your completed Submission Form to
Lauren Bates, Staff Lawyer, at 2010CCEL@gmail.com
with the subject heading "Call for papers 2010", by June 30, 2010.**