

# New Lawyers Division CONFERENCE

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**Twenty Toronto Street Conferences &  
Events, Toronto, ON**

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Time	Subject	Speaker
8:45 a.m.	<b>Welcome and Announcements</b>	
9:00 a.m.	<b>CPD Topic &amp; Discussion</b> <i>The Investigation: No Time like the Present</i>	Mark MacNeill, <i>Brauti Thorning Zibarras LLP</i>
9:30 a.m.	<i>Pleadings: Thinking Beyond the Precedent</i>	Jonathan Burton, <i>Gluckstein Personal Injury Lawyers</i>
9:50 a.m.	<i>Medical-Legal Reports: Expert Handling of Expert Reports</i>	Shane Katz, <i>Singer, Kwinter</i>
10:10 a.m.	<i>The Threshold: This Could be Serious...It May Not be Permanent and Serious</i>	Tina Radimisis, <i>Jewell Radimisis Jorge LLP</i>
10:30 a.m.	<b>Refreshment Break</b>	
10:50 a.m.	<b>Panel Discussion</b> <i>Quarterbacking the Case: How to Shape the Insurer's and Client's Perceptions of the Case's Value</i> <i>Moderator: Ian Hu, LAWPRO</i>	<i>Panelists:</i> Darcy Merkur, <i>Thomson, Rogers</i> Renée Vinett, <i>Howie, Sacks &amp; Henry LLP</i> Brennan Kahler, <i>Kahler Personal Injury Law Firm</i>
11:20 a.m.	<i>Pre-Trials: Preparing for War Just to Make Peace</i>	Tim Boland, <i>Boland Howe Barristers LLP</i>
11:40 a.m.	<i>Examinations for Discovery (Part 1): Preparing a Discovery to Get Read-ins for Trial</i>	Derek Nicholson, <i>Beament, Hebert, Nicholson, Associates</i>
12:00 p.m.	<b>Lunch</b>	
1:00 p.m.	<i>Examinations for Discovery (Part 2): I'll Take Your Refusal Under Advisement</i>	Ryan Murray, <i>Oatley Vigmond LLP</i>
1:20 p.m.	<i>Coverage Issues: Is that Conviction Good or Bad?</i>	James Dakin, <i>Smockum Zarnett LLP</i>
1:40 p.m.	<b>Panel Discussion</b> <i>Mediation: Two Sides to Every Coin?</i> <i>Moderator: Deanna Gilbert, Thomson, Rogers</i>	<i>Panelists:</i> Sloan Mandel, <i>Thomson, Rogers</i> Sheldon Gilbert, Q.C., <i>Gilbert, Kirby, Stringer LLP</i> Vance Cooper, <i>Cooper Mediation Inc.</i>
2:10 p.m.	OTLA President	Maia Bent, <i>Lerners LLP</i>
2:20 p.m.	<b>Refreshment Break</b>	
2:40 p.m.	<i>Settling the SABS before Tort: A Word of Warning on Improvident Settlements</i>	Maia Bent, <i>Lerners LLP</i>
3:00 p.m.	<i>The SABS Claim: Building the Tort Claim with the SABS</i>	Dani Grandmaître, <i>Burn Tucker Lachaine LLP</i>
3:20 p.m.	<i>Court Approval: A Word from Our Editors</i>	Stephanie Bond, <i>Linden &amp; Associates</i>
3:40 p.m.	<b>Closing remarks &amp; Program ends</b>	