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**FEDERATION OF LAW SOCIETIES OF CANADA
2018 NATIONAL FAMILY LAW CONFERENCE
SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA (JULY 8-12, 2018)
JW MARRIOTT PARQ

ALL EVENTS ARE HELD IN THE JW MARRIOTT PARQ
CONFERENCE CENTRE UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED

*****SPEAKERS AND SCHEDULE SUBJECT TO CHANGE*****

Sunday July 8, 2018	
1:00 – 5:30pm	Registration
5:00 – 6:30pm	Informal Opening Reception

Monday July 9, 2018

8:30 - 9:00am	Opening and Welcome – Trudi Brown, Q.C. Welcome from the Federation – Sheila M. MacPherson, President, Council of the Federation			
9:00 - 10:15am	Opening Plenary: DIVERSITY & DISCRIMINATION Heath Fogg Davis – Does Gender Matter? – intro by Susan Lightstone			
10:15 - 10:30am	HEALTH BREAK			
10:30 – 12:00pm	Spousal Support Review and Variation Orders and the SSAG • Scott Booth • Jane Reid	The Rules of Evidence in the Electronic Age • Gary Joseph • Stephen Kirby	Is Canada Truly Embracing the Concept of Surrogacy? • Jocelyn Léger-Nowlan	Indigenous Traditions Incorporated in Family Law and Incorporating a Parent’s History and Connection to Residential Schools • Sarah Clarke • Hadley Friedland
12:00 – 1:30pm	LUNCH BREAK • Legal Aid Discussion Group Lunch Chairs: Rollie Thompson, Q.C. and Olga Volpe			
1:30 – 2:45pm	Updated Boston v. Boston • Greg Walen, Q.C. • Tammi Hackl	All in the Family - Until it Isn't! • Eugene Raponi, Q.C. • Nicole Hamilton	Marijuana: the impact of the legalization on family law • Audra Bayer • Dr. Zach Walsh • John Conroy	Immigration Idiosyncrasies: When Immigration and Family Collide • Kelly D. Jordan • Emma White
2:45 – 3:00pm	HEALTH BREAK			
3:00 – 4:15pm	Update of Family Trusts / Impacts of Trusts on Family Law • Sherry Kachur, Q.C. • Stacey Haskins • Bailey Rivard	Unusual Property: how to identify and divide it • Justice Donna L. Wilson • Wendy Best, Q.C.	When Can the Baby Spend the Night? • Mindy Mitnik • Melanie Kraft	Hague Convention and Refugees • Caroline Harnois
4:15-4:30pm	International Academy of Family Lawyers Information Session			
4:30– 5:30pm	Reception & Information Session - Sponsored by Canadian Bar Association			

Tuesday, July 10, 2018

7:30 – 8:30am	MENTORING BREAKFAST			
8:30 – 8:45am	OPENING ANNOUNCEMENTS			
8:45 – 10:00am	PLENARY: Maria Mitousis “Learning from Adversity” with intro by Susan Lightstone			
10:00 - 10:15am	HEALTH BREAK			
10:15 – 11:30am	NFLP Bootcamp - Back to the Basics in Financials & Family Law <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sharon Griffin • Bailey Rivard • Laura Bruyer 	Parental Alienation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dinyar Marzban, Q.C. • Samantha Simpson • Kelsey Beazer 	SS Advanced Topics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rollie Thompson, Q.C. • Carol Rogerson 	Child Protection Advocacy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Justice Stanley Sherr • Shelley Hounsell-Gray
11:30 - 11:45am	HEALTH BREAK			
11:45 – 1:15pm	Tax and Family Law <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Andrew Freedman • Aaron Franks 	Representing Children – From the Trenches and an Academic Perspective <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nicholas Bala • Jennifer Shaften • Chair Justice Carole Beaton 	SS Advanced Topics; Part Two <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rollie Thompson, Q.C. • Carol Rogerson 	Child Protection: Evidence Issues <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Justice Stanley Sherr • Shelley Hounsell-Gray
1:15-1:30pm	HEALTH BREAK			
1:30 – 3:00pm	Department of Justice Proposed Changes in Family Law (Bill C78)			
	1:30-1:50	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Honourable Jody Wilson-Raybould, Minister of Justice and Attorney General of Canada 		
	1:50-3:00	Panel: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • John-Paul E. Boyd • Lawrence Pinsky • Nicholas Bala 		
3:00 - evening	RECESS – REFER TO WWW.FLSC.CA AND CLICK ON THE LINK TO THE NATIONAL FAMILY LAW PROGRAM FOR TOURIST INFORMATION			

Wednesday, July 11, 2018				
8:45 – 9:00am	OPENING ANNOUNCEMENTS			
9:00 – 10:15am	PLENARY: Jan L. Jacobowitz, “From Scriveners to Streaming: Social Media and the Evolving Practice of Law” Chair: Trudi Brown, Q.C.			
10:15 - 10:30am	HEALTH BREAK			
10:30 – 12:00pm	Crazy for Family Law – how the practice of family law impacts the health of lawyers & what we can do about it • Lori Savory • Jonathan Griffith	Child Support and Shared Custody (CSG s9) • Nicholas Bala • Marie Gordon, Q.C.	An Introduction to Business Valuation • Kiu Ghanavizchian	Principles and Practice of Lawyer Legal, Ethical and Professional Responsibility • David Day, Q.C. • Trudi Brown, Q.C.
12:00 - 1:30pm	LUNCH BREAK • Arbitration Discussion Group Lunch • Child Protection Discussion Group Lunch **sign-up sheet at registration desk for both lunches**			
1:30 – 2:45pm	Solo Practice: Tips, Trade Offs & Taking the Leap! • Zara Suleman • Zahra Jimale • Catherine Brink	Section 4 Child Support Guidelines • Greg Walen, Q.C. • Tammi Hackl	Family Violence Screening in Family Law Cases – An Evidence-Based Approach • Claire Farid • Pam Cross	Quebec common law: how different is it really? (in English) • Dominique Goubau • Rollie Thompson, Q.C.
2:45 - 3:00pm	HEALTH BREAK			
3:00 – 4:15pm	Working in an Open Concept Law Firm • Sheila Cameron, Q.C.	Cell Phones, Plastic Surgery and Dance Costumes: Section 7 Expenses in a Changing World • Michelle Kinney • Christine Murray	Attribution of pre-tax corporate income when determining income for child support • Ohran Gobrin • Sharon Shore	When the Angel of Death Strikes (when a client dies in the middle of a file) • Valerie Danielson
4:15pm	THE NFLP CALL FOR PAPERS			
	30th Anniversary Social Event			
6:00 – 7:00pm	Reception: JW Marriott Parq Conference Centre			
7:00 – 8:30pm	Dinner: JW Marriott Parq Conference Centre			
8:30pm	Entertainment: It is a surprise			
	Tickets for Dinner and the show can be purchased online at www.flsc.ca and then click on the link to the National Family Law Program			

Thursday, July 12, 2018

8:00 – 9:15am	Quebec common law: how different is it really? (in French) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dominique Goubau 	You’re So Far Away - Long Distance Parenting and Child Support <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Justice Alex Finlayson • Andrea Himel 	Pensions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Colin Galinski 	Choose Your Adventure: Arbitration and Med-Arb Beyond the Basics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eugene Raponi, Q.C. • Jennifer Cooper, Q.C.
9:15 - 9:30am	HEALTH BREAK			
9:30 – 10:30am	Droits des conjoints d’exercer des visites et leurs obligations de payer du soutien <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tracy Peters • Janik Collette 	Relocation <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JP Boyd • Lawrence Pinsky • Fareen Jamal • Claire Farid 	Evidence Surreptitiously Obtained <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Martha Shaffer 	Best Practices with Severable Offers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mary Jo Maur
10:30 - 10:45am	HEALTH BREAK			
10:45 – 12:15pm	PLENARY: Chair: the Hon. Justice Jim Williams Philip EPSTEIN, QC “Lessons Learned from a Life Toiling in the Vineyards of Matrimonial Discord” Response and Comments from: George Thomson, Marie Gordon, Q.C. and Rollie Thompson, Q.C.			
12:15 – 12:30pm	CLOSING REMARKS			