



# Best Practices & Latest Trends

June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2006

2nd Annual Provincial Conference

U of A Conference Centre, C102 Lister Hall, University of Alberta, Edmonton

## Agenda

7:30 am	<b>Registration</b>
8:00 - 8:45 am	<b>Annual General Meeting</b> Alberta Foundation of Administrative Justice Chair: George Pheasey
9:00 am	<b>Opening Remarks</b> Greetings from President of AFAJ (George Pheasey) Greetings from CCAT
9:15 am	<b>Plenary Session</b> "Importance of Administrative Tribunals in the Access of Justice" Mr. Justice John M. Evans, Federal Court of Appeal
10:15 am	Networking Break
10:45 am	<b>Concurrent Sessions</b> 1. <b>Dealing with Troublesome Presenters:</b> Karen Trace, Camilla Witt QC 2. <b>Assessing Credibility:</b> Sheila J. Greckol JCQBA, Glenda Campbell QC, William Tilleman QC 3. <b>Investigations-process and reporting:</b> Barry Gross, Elizabeth Denham, Robin Carr 4. <b>Literacy Awareness:</b> Arthur Trudeau, CCAT
12 noon	Lunch
1:00 pm	<b>Concurrent Sessions</b> 1. <b>Dealing with Troublesome Presenters:</b> Karen Trace, Camilla Witt QC 2. <b>Assessing Credibility:</b> Sheila J. Greckol JCQBA, Glenda Campbell QC, William Tilleman QC 3. <b>Investigations-process and reporting:</b> Barry Gross, Elizabeth Denham, Robin Carr 4. <b>Literacy Awareness:</b> Arthur Trudeau, CCAT
2:15 pm	Networking Break
2:45 pm	<b>Plenary Session</b> "Current Trends in Administrative Law" Frans Slatter, J.C.Q.B.A.; William W. Shores; James T. Casey QC
4:15 pm	<b>Conference Wrap-up</b> George Pheasey, President AFAJ

### Pre-conference workshop:

#### Plain Language Writing for Tribunals

(Limited to 24 persons)

May 30 - 31, 2006

This two-day research-based workshop helps participants learn how to write decisions in a plain language style. Instructors will prepare written feedback on several pages of individual writing, identify both personal strengths and weaknesses in writing, and have an individual conference with the participant about the written feedback. Participants learn the CLARITY model and practice rewriting examples. On the evening of day 1, participants will write a decision, or part of one, applying the plain language principles. Each person will receive an Improving Legal Writing Manual, a compendium of over-worked words with substitutes, and a CLARITY Deskminster. The workshop is intensive, but rewarding.

### Post-conference workshop:

#### Giving Evidence

(Limited to 24 persons)

June 2, 2006

Giving Evidence is a one-day course designed to familiarize witnesses with the basic tools to enable them to be productive witnesses in the hearing context. Through lecture and large and small group exercises, participants will practice preparing for and giving evidence in an administrative tribunal context. Whether you are a person who testifies multiple times and in different capacities or a one time witnesses, this course will make you more confident and comfortable with giving evidence.

Register early! Space is Limited

### Accommodations & Directions

University of Alberta Conference Centre  
C 102 Lister Centre  
University of Alberta (87 Ave. & 116 St. Edmonton)

Rooms at the Conference Centre  
Please contact Guest Services at:  
780-492-6057 or by E-mail: [guestservices@ualberta.ca](mailto:guestservices@ualberta.ca)

Campus Tower Suite Hotel  
11145-87 Avenue  
Please contact Guest Services at:  
1-888-962-2522

University of Alberta Conference Centre:  
for a location map go to [www.campusmap.ualberta.ca](http://www.campusmap.ualberta.ca)



## Reminder: Register early for your fall courses!

### Introduction to Administrative Justice

September 7 & 8, 2006 Edmonton  
November 23 & 24, 2006 Calgary

### Effective Hearings

October 12 & 13, 2006 Calgary

### Decision Writing

December 4 & 5, 2006 Edmonton

### Evidence

September 18, 2006 Edmonton

### Decision Making

October 30, 2006 Edmonton

### Interpreting Statutes I

November 6 & 7, 2006 Edmonton