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**Free CPD Seminar:**

**Gladue Review for Crown Attorneys, Defence Counsel, and Judges**

**Date: Monday, September 9, 2024**

**Time: 12:45 pm – 1:45 pm**

**Place: 3rd Floor, Law Society Building, 196-198 Water Street**

**Seminar Overview:**

To coincide with the launch of the Gladue Writer Pilot Project portal, we are pleased to offer a Continuing Professional Development (CPD) seminar focused on the Gladue process. This seminar is designed to provide members with an in-depth understanding of how to request Gladue reports and navigate the Gladue process in our justice system.

**Agenda Highlights:**

**Gladue Report Process:** Learn about the newly launched portal, understand who is responsible for requesting reports from the courts, and get an overview of expected timelines.

**Confirmation of Heritage:** Learn about how heritage is confirmed in a manner that keeps access barriers low.

**Gladue Information in an Open Court:** Explore the use of discretion in handling Gladue information, the potential for closing the courtroom, and recent court rulings on the legal threshold for demonstrating consideration of Gladue factors.

**Q&A Period:** An opportunity for participants to ask questions and engage with the presenters.

This seminar will provide valuable insights for legal professionals working with Indigenous clients, enhancing their ability to advocate effectively within the Gladue framework.

We encourage all members to attend and participate in this important educational event.

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**Seminar Presenter:**

**Jane Dickson, PhD (Law, London School of Economics and Political Science, University of London, U.K.); MA, BA (School of Criminology, Simon Fraser University, Canada)**

Jane Dickson is a Full Professor of Law and Legal Studies at Carleton University where she teaches and researches in the areas of Indigenous people and justice, sentencing and Gladue. Jane has a long and distinguished history of research and grassroots capacity building with Indigenous communities on justice-related issues. A highly respected researcher and Gladue writer, Jane has recently completed the first national study on Gladue in Canadian courts. Building on her Gladue research and experience, Jane has partnered with the Indigenous Perspectives Society to create and deliver the only certified Gladue Writer Training Course in Canada; she also provides community justice training and support to the Department of Justice and Correctional Services of Cree Nation Government, the Council of Yukon First Nations, the Newfoundland Aboriginal Women's Network. She has provided training in Indigenous justice and Gladue to the National Parole Board of Canada, the Office of Federal Correctional Investigator and the Ontario Court of Justice.

Jane's work has also included seven years of service as an Indian Claims Commissioner with the Indian Specific Claims Commission from 2002-2009 and two terms (2010-2011) on Legal Aid Ontario's Aboriginal Advisory Committee; in 2017/18 she sat on the Expert Advisory Group on FAS for the Ministry of Justice and Solicitor General, Government of Alberta. She has appeared as an expert before the Canadian Human Rights Tribunal and the Federal Court of Canada and has provided expert advice as a member of the United States Department of Justice's Expert Working Groups on Tribal Justice and Indigent Justice; she is also a contributing member of the Strategic Development Committee of the Ottawa Indigenous Peoples' Court. She was the evaluator of Legal Aid Saskatchewan's Gladue Pilot Project and recently completed an Ontario-wide evaluation of Legal Aid Ontario's Gladue services (Nishnawbe-Aski Legal Services, Grand Council Treaty 3, Aboriginal Legal Services). Dr Dickson is the recipient of numerous academic awards, including a Governor Generals' Gold Medal, a Leverhulme Visiting Professorship, among others, and is the author of numerous academic publications.

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**No Registration Fee**

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PLEASE NOTE: Although the start time states 12:30, the seminar begins at 12:45 as noted above.

**CPD Credit:** 1 hour