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WHO SHOULD ATTEND

This program is targeted to lawyers with experience in immigration and criminal law who want to explore the intersection of these areas.

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The Courts in Canada have not been as explicit as American courts in finding that a failure to raise immigration consequences at sentencing raises the issue of counsel competency. However, a growing line of appellate cases where sentences have been varied in such situations suggests that it is becoming less defensible for counsel to fail to inquire into the immigration consequences for an accused individual. Thus, an exploration of the intersection between criminal law and immigration law is essential study for lawyers working in these areas.

Join program chair Bjorn Harsanyi for an in-depth examination of practice issues arising in the intersection of immigration and criminal law. Hear from an experienced panel from across the province, a member of the judiciary, and Vancouver's Peter Edlmann—one of Western Canada's leading practitioners of immigration and criminal law—on practice issues relevant to all lawyers working in this complex area.

Consider practice issues such as how to instruct clients on the immigration consequences of entering guilty pleas. Explore criminal inadmissibility under Division 4 of the *Immigration and Refugee Protection Act [IRPA]*. Explore the cross-border consequences of criminal convictions. Discover practice tips you can use from the moment your client walks in the door to the sentencing phase. Review important criminal law principles and their relevance in immigration proceedings, including:

- charge,
- bail and detention,
- admissions,
- sentencing, and
- writing opinion letters for criminal courts.

In March 2017, Peter Edlmann and Erica Olmstead, of Edlmann & Co. Law Offices, were granted leave to appear at the SCC on *Wing Wha Wong v. Her Majesty The Queen*. They will argue before the SCC in November, seeking clarification on the testing required for withdrawing a guilty plea, and specifically, whether or not understanding collateral immigration consequences renders the plea invalid.



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