

Environment in the Courtroom (III): Sentencing and Environmental Offences

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Convened by the Canadian Institute of Resources Law, Faculty of Law, University of Calgary and Marine & Environmental Law Institute, Schulich School of Law, Dalhousie University

THIS IS THE THIRD IN A SERIES OF THREE ANNUAL SYMPOSIA/WEBINARS, conducted for judges and court practitioners under funding from Environment Canada and directed at exploring the major issues associated with sentencing and environmental offences. The first of these, held at the University of Calgary in March 2012, addressed issues related to fundamental concepts of environmental law and the unique nature of environmental harm. The second, held at the University of Ottawa in March 2013, dealt with the theme of environmental prosecutions. The podcasts of both symposia, together with the papers presented (available in both official languages), can be found on the website of the Canadian Institute of Resources Law (cir.l.ca), and may be viewed as an introduction to this third symposium. This year's symposium is being held at Dalhousie University and is convened jointly by the Canadian Institute of Resources Law, Faculty of Law, University of Calgary and the Marine & Environmental Law Institute, Schulich School of Law, Dalhousie University. Once again it will be webcast on an interactive basis over the internet.

This symposium will strengthen judges' and court practitioners' knowledge of the practical aspects of sentencing for environmental offences.

SYMPOSIUM OBJECTIVES:

The symposium will deal with the major issues that arise in the course of sentencing for environmental offences, including both the basic considerations that attach in environmental cases as well as more advanced topics. The symposium will be conducted by some of the leading scholars and practitioners from across Canada, reflecting both civil law and common law perspectives. It will also include specially-commissioned course materials that will address the topics in more detail.

Key topics that will be addressed in the symposium include:

- Environmental offences and the common law
- Sentencing of corporate directors and officers
- Recent statutory developments in sentencing
- Administrative monetary penalties
- Creative sentencing in Canada and abroad
- Corporate and ENGO perspectives on creative sentencing
- Negotiating sentences: Crown, corporate and judicial perspectives
- Quantifying environmental harm: legal and socio-economic perspectives



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SPEAKERS:

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Prosecution Service Canada, Halifax

Peter Boxall, Professor, Department of
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Judge Patrick Curran, Nova Scotia
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Sean Foreman, Wickwire Holm, Halifax

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Jean Piette, Norton Rose Fulbright,
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Dianne Saxe, Saxe Law Office, Toronto

Judge Barry Stuart, Vancouver

WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

All legal professionals involved in the application of environmental law in a courtroom setting, including both Judges and court practitioners.

SYMPOSIUM LANGUAGES:

All symposium materials will be in both official languages and an accommodation of both civil and common law perspectives will be ensured. Symposium presentations will be in either French or English, depending on the speaker.

VIDEO CONFERENCING:

The symposium can be attended in person or alternatively viewed as a live webcast on the symposium dates. The symposium format will allow for questions from both audiences. However, in both cases, registration is required. A password for the webcast will be forwarded to you upon registering; this will also allow access to conference materials.

REGISTRATION AND FEES:

THERE IS NO REGISTRATION FEE. Symposium papers and other materials will be available for download in both official languages prior to the symposium. **A password will be supplied to registrants in order to access these materials.**

Submit the completed registration form by
February 19, 2014:

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