***GREAT EXPECTATIONS:***

***HOW TO MANAGE YOUR FAMILY LAW CLIENT***

 ***(and decrease your stress)***

Learn important client management tips to help prepare and present your clients’ cases and create and maintain good client/lawyer relations. The program will focus on aspects such as:

* evidence gathering & drafting of pleadings and briefs
* how to communicate with your client about the merits of case; what your client needs to do in order to present the case persuasively; the costs consequences of their conduct
* the merits of advancing certain claims such as: joint custody; claims for no access/ supervised access; mobility and relocation cases; no/reduced child support obligations
* how to communicate with the client about their obligations to follow court orders and legislative/regulatory requirements
* what types of procedures are appropriate for the case and what are the time lines and steps of the case
* reasonable expectations for duty counsel
* how the client should behave in the courtroom

**Chair: Justice Carole Curtis, Ontario Court of Justice**

**Speakers: Chris Andrikakis, counsel, Catholic Children’s Aid Society of Toronto**

 **Jean Hyndman, sole practitioner**

 **Pamela Jacobson, sole practitioner**

 **Margarida Pacheco, sole practitioner**



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