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I CO-DIRECTORS' MESSAGE

The 2021–2022 year was filled with challenges and change. It was marked by the truck convoy and occupation of Ottawa, the invocation of the federal *Emergencies Act* for the first time, the continuation of the COVID-19 pandemic, the largest litigation settlement in Canadian history related to the under-funding of child welfare services for Indigenous persons on reserve, the momentous nominations of the honourable Justices Mahmud Jamal and Michelle O'Bonsawin to the Supreme Court of Canada, and more.

This year was also full of exciting developments, events, academic workshops, and new partnerships at the uOttawa Public Law Centre (PLC). We hosted events that touched on a range of public law topics, including constitutional law, criminal law, administrative law, and immigration and refugee law. We collaborated with other research



centres domestically and internationally, and held joint academic workshops with other law faculties in Canada and abroad. We hosted a range of fellows, and launched a new <u>WEBSITE</u>, where you can stay up to date on everything that is happening at the Centre.

Below, you can read more about our Centre's members (including their publications and recent accomplishments), current projects and partnerships, the events we held in 2021–2022, and more.

We are grateful to the current and former PLC staff who made this exciting year possible, to our members, and to the partners with whom we collaborated.

Wishing you all the best and happy reading!

Terry Skolnik and Vanessa MacDonnell





II OUR TEAM

EXECUTIVE MEMBERS

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| Jennifer Bond | Associate Professor, Managing Director of the University of Ottawa Refugee Hub and Chair of the Global Refugee Sponsorship Initiative | Member |
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| Nathalie Chalifour | Full Professor | Member |
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| Lynda Collins | Full Professor | Member |
| Paul Daly | Full Professor and holder of the University Research Chair in Administrative Law and Governance | Member |
| Adam Dodek | Full Professor | Member |

| Name | Position | Membership |
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| Peter Oliver | Full Professor | Member |
| Mona Paré | Associate Professor, Vice-Dean of Graduate Studies in Law and Director of the Interdisciplinary Research Laboratory on the Rights of the Child | Member |
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| Jennifer Quaid | Associate Professor, Vice-Dean Research of the Civil Law Section | Member |
| Sylvia Rich | Assistant Professor | Member |
| Amy Salyzyn | Associate Professor | Member |
| Samuel Singer | Assistant Professor | Member |
| Marie-Eve Sylvestre | Full Professor and Dean of the Civil Law Section | Member |
| Sophie Thériault | Full Professor and Vice-Dean (Academic) of the Civil Law Section | Member |
| Joao Velloso | Associate Professor | Member |
| David Wiseman | Associate Professor and Vice-Dean of the English Common Law program | Member |

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| Erin Dobbelsteyn | Asaph Wenda |
| Babajide Idowu | |



Steve Chaplin has been a member of the Ontario bar since 1987. He has practised in both the federal public sector and in private practice in Ottawa. He was most recently employed as Senior Parliamentary Counsel for the House of Commons. In that position

he was responsible for advising the House of Commons, its Speaker, Members, Committees and administration on administrative and constitutional law questions, particularly in the area of parliamentary privilege. He has appeared before the Supreme Court of Canada, the Federal Court, and the Federal Court of Appeal in cases relating to the protection of the constitutional independence of the House of Commons.

He is an active member of the Association of Parliamentary Counsel of Canada and has presented numerous papers at their annual meetings. He is a Deputy Executive Editor of the *Journal of Parliamentary and Political Law*.



Maggie Wente is a partner at Olthuis Kleer Townshend (OKT) in Toronto. She is a member of Serpent River First Nation. Wente has a broad practice serving First Nations governments, their related entities, businesses and not-for-profit corporations. She advises on Treaty and Aboriginal rights in litigation and negotiation, the human rights of Indigenous people, and in particular on equality for First Nations children and individuals in programs and services, especially in the child welfare system. Wente has also advised on *Indian Act* matters, reserve land management, and First Nations governance.

Wente has appeared in courts of appeal and trial-level courts in Ontario, Newfoundland and Labrador,

and in the Federal Court, as well as before arbitrators and adjudicators in commercial arbitrations, labour arbitrations and adjudications under the *Canada Labour Code*.

Wente is past-president of the board of directors of Aboriginal Legal Services of Toronto and was a commissioner at the Ontario Human Rights Commission from 2006 to 2015. She is a member of the Indigenous Bar Association, the Ontario bar and the Newfoundland and Labrador bar, and is listed as "Most Frequently Recommended" in the Lexpert Directory on Indigenous Law.

Francisca Pou Giménez is a Senior Researcher at the Institute for Legal Research of the National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM). She is also Lecturer at Law at the Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM), where she was formerly Associate Professor of Law. She holds a law degree from Pompeu Fabra University in Spain, and master's and doctoral degrees from Yale Law School. She has been a visiting professor in Colombia, Bolivia, Argentina, Canada, Belarus and Italy.

Before entering academia, she was a law clerk in the Mexican Supreme Court for eight years. Her writing and teaching focus on courts (judicial review, judicial communication, institutional design), constitutions (constitutional change, comparative study of Latin American constitutionalism) and fundamental rights. In this latter domain, she has focused on mechanisms of rights protection, anti-discrimination law, reproductive rights, freedom of speech, and multi-level rights protection in Latin America. She collaborated with the uOttawa Public Law Centre to host the 2022 IACL Junior Scholars Forum. In 2023, she will teach an intensive course at the University of Ottawa on Latin American Constitutionalism.





Alexandre Lillo was the Centre's first postdoctoral fellow and worked on the collaborative Water Law and Governance Project. The project is a joint initiative of the Public Law Centre, the Centre on Governance, and the Centre for Environmental Law and Global Sustainability.

Dr. Lillo holds a Ph.D. in law (2020) completed under the joint supervision of the University of Ottawa and the University of Montpellier (France). His dissertation, entitled *The Shape of Water—Building a Legal Framework for Water Management in Canada* (French only), proposes twelve guiding principles to lay the foundation for a Canadian water strategy. His current research focuses on the legal mechanisms of water governance in Canada. During his time as a postdoctoral researcher, he shared the Research Chair in Teaching Innovation at the University of Ottawa's Civil Law Section and was a part-time professor with the Faculty of Law and the Faculty of Arts. He has recently been appointed professor at the Legal Sciences Department of the Université du Québec à Montréal.

Nessan Akemakou is a postdoctoral researcher at the University of Ottawa's Public Law Centre, under the supervision of Professor Marie-France Fortin. His research project is entitled "The Blue Economy: An Innovative Concept for Irrigating Public Policy? A Cross-Study of the Blue Economy Strategies of the African Union (AU) and Canada". Nessan holds a Bachelor of Laws (LL. B), a Master of Arts (MA) in Political Science, a Master of Arts (MA) in International Relations and a Doctorate in Political Science (Ph. D) from



the University of Toulouse 1 Capitole (France). His thesis, "The Existence of an 'Authoritarian Peace' in Africa? A Reflection Antithetical to Democratic Peace Theory" was defended in July 2019.



The Centre and its members are at the forefront of many major research projects on topics such as the relationship between the state and society, critical approaches to public law, empirical analysis of the Supreme Court of Canada decision-making, water law and governance, and more.

CRITICAL CONVERSATIONS IN CANADIAN PUBLIC LAW

Public law is concerned with the relationship between the state and society. In Canada, this relationship is undergoing a period of significant reinvention, as evidenced, for example, by the movements for reconciliation and indigenization, the calls to recognize and remedy systemic racism in institutions including police forces, and the recent extension of human rights protections to prohibit discrimination on the basis of gender identity or expression.

We are in a moment in which claims that challenge the normative foundations of the discipline of public law are being made in real time: claims about citizenship, rights, and access to resources and benefits; claims about what substantive and procedural fairness look like, and for whom; claims about the state's obligations to proactively address both historical and current injustices and the limits of approaches that centre in the state; and challenges to underlying assumptions about the State itself.

Led by Professors Karen Drake (Osgoode Hall Law School), Kyle Kirkup (University of Ottawa), Anne Levesque (University of Ottawa), Jena McGill (University of Ottawa) and Joshua Sealy-Harrington (Toronto Metropolitan University), this research project takes an expansive, interdisciplinary approach to topical public law issues. In doing so, it is filling a gap in the existing Canadian public law literature, which tends to maintain a separation between traditional, largely liberal, public law scholarship and more critical perspectives, such as decolonial and Indigenous legal theory, critical race theory, feminisms, intersectionality, queer theory, and critical disability theory.

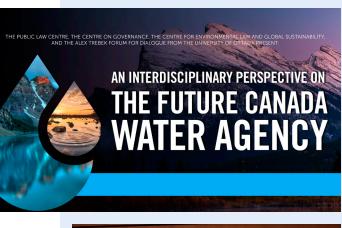












THE ALEX TREBEK FORUM FOR DIALOGUE WATER LAW AND GOVERNANCE PROJECT

Working with the Centre on Governance and the Centre for Environmental Law and Global Sustainability, and funded by the Smart Changes for a Better World initiative of the Alex Trebek Forum for Dialogue, the Water Law and Governance Project seeks to foster exchange between scholars, governmental actors, interest groups and the general public to identify and respond to key water-related public policy concerns.

Led by Professor Marie-France Fortin, the project team is leading an important conversation about the sustainable management of freshwater resources. In 2021, the Forum held a bilingual, interdisciplinary conference titled "<u>AN INTERDISCIPLINARY PERSPECTIVE ON THE FUTURE</u> <u>CANADA WATER AGENCY</u>." An edited collection, entitled *Canada Water Agency: Multisectoral Issues of Law and Governance*, was recently published by LexisNexis. The Forum also organized a <u>ROUNDTABLE</u> <u>ON LOCAL AND COMMUNITY-BASED WATER GOVERNANCE</u> and a conference on <u>MULTI-LEVEL GOVERNANCE ISSUES IN FRESHWATER PROTECTION, MANAGEMENT, AND LAW</u>.

In fall 2021, an interdisciplinary team of three researchers, Professor Thomas Burelli, Professor Alexandre Lillo and Professor Lauren Touchant, from the Centre for Environmental Law and Global Sustainability, the uOttawa Public Law Centre and the Centre on Governance, respectively, participated in the 26th UN Climate Change Conference (COP26) in Glasgow as observers for the Centre Québécois du droit de l'environnement (CQDE).

THE SUPREME COURT DATA MINING PROJECT

The Supreme Court of Canada is a central institution in Canadian law and politics, and yet to date, there has been relatively little empirical research on its work. Led by Professor Carissima Mathen, this SSHRC-funded project uses empirical methods to investigate Supreme Court of Canada decision-making. Joining Professor Mathen on this project are Professor Wolfgang Alschner, a pioneer in the application of data analytics to the empirical study of law and head of the Legal Technology Lab, Professor Vanessa MacDonnell, Co-Director of the uOttawa Public Law Centre, Professor Terry Skolnik, Co-Director of the uOttawa Public Law Centre, and Visiting Professor Stephen Bindman.

The team hopes to publish an edited collection in early 2024 presenting some of their early findings.



IV UNWRITTEN CONSTITUTIONAL PRINCIPLES PROJECT

CANADIAN SECRETARIAT OF MAJOR NEW PROJECT TO BE HOUSED AT THE UOTTAWA PUBLIC LAW CENTRE

Along with colleagues in the United Kingdom and Germany, Professor Vanessa MacDonnell, Co-Director of the PLC, is leading a \$1.7 million-dollar international, interdisciplinary project, entitled "Unwritten Constitutional Norms and Principles: A Comparative Study," that will examine the phenomenon of unwritten constitutionalism from a comparative and interdisciplinary perspective. The project will examine three jurisdictions: Canada, the United Kingdom, and Germany, countries that have each recently dealt with institutional and political questions about the scope of their constitutions and the role of courts in the enforcement of constitutional principles. By comparing each nation's approach to unwritten constitutional norms and principles, the researchers will explore common issues faced by all constitutional orders, identify the factors that influence the recognition, definition and enforcement of unwritten constitutional rules, and investigate the role of judicial enforcement of a constitution's unwritten rules in an era of democratic backsliding.

The project is funded by <u>OPEN RESEARCH AREA [ORAL 7</u>, a special agreement for social sciences research between the French <u>NATIONAL RESEARCH AGENCY</u> (ANR), the <u>DEUTSCHE</u> <u>FORSCHUNGSGEMEINSCHAFT</u> (DFG) of Germany; the <u>ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL RESEARCH COUNCIL</u> <u>OF UK RESEARCH AND INNOVATION</u> (ESRC) from the UK, and the <u>social sciences and HUMANITIES</u> <u>RESEARCH COUNCIL</u> (SSHRC) in Canada. The goal of the agreement is to fund high-quality international research that strengthens co-operation across borders amongst researchers coming from at least three of the four subscribing countries.

Professor MacDonnell leads the Canadian branch of this comparative study, which also includes professors and PLC members <u>MARIE-FRANCE FORTIN</u> and <u>PETER OLIVER</u> of the Faculty of Law's Civil Law Section. The Canadian research team will receive \$399,787 from SSHRC, while the German and UK teams will receive amounts from their respective national funding agencies. Professor <u>SE-SHAUNAWHEATLE</u> of Durham University leads the project's UK team, and the project's German team is led by Professor <u>FLORIAN MEINEL</u> of Georg-August-Universität Göttingen. Professors MacDonnell and Wheatle previously organized an international workshop on unwritten constitutional norms and principles in 2019.





V EVENTS ORGANIZED IN 2021/2022

Panel on the role of children's rights and youth leadership during the COVID-19 pandemic

Co-organized by the PLC and the Interdisciplinary Research Laboratory on the Rights of the Child, this panel, held in October 2021, and moderated by Professor Mona Paré, examined what role children's rights and youth leadership play in ensuring good policy outcomes for Canada's young people in the midst of the Covid-19 pandemic, and in the context of the release of Canada's first state of the youth report. <u>WATCH HERE</u>

Virtual Federal Court hearings

In collaboration with the Federal Court of Canada, the Centre hosted two live Federal Court hearings on immigration

cases: Al-Abayechi v. Canada (Citizenship and Immigration), <u>2021 FC 1280</u> (hearing in English in October 2021) and Manenga v. Canada (Citizenship and Immigration), <u>2022</u> FC 233 (hearing in French in October 2021).

Book Launch: Paul Daly, *Administrative Law in the Common Law World* (Oxford University Press, 2021)

The Centre hosted three book launches related to Professor Daly's new book. The first one, hosted in November 2021 for a United Kingdom audience, was a partnership with the Centre for Constitutional Studies, University College Dublin. <u>WATCH HERE</u> The second launch was organized in collaboration with the Gilbert + Tobin Centre for Public Law, University of New South Wales, for an Australian audience. <u>WATCH HERE</u> The third launch, this time for a Canadian audience, took place in January 2022. <u>WATCH HERE</u>

Trans Rights, Trans Justice: A Conversation about Key Trans Legal Issues in Canada

On November 26, 2021, the uOttawa Public Law Centre and OUTLaw hosted a panel reflecting on key trans legal issues in Canada. The panel, which included Professor Samuel Singer, discussed recent successful legal changes and their limitations, particularly for trans people on the margins.

Discussion of the Supreme Court of Canada's decision in Toronto (City) v Ontario (Attorney General)

On November 24, 2021, the PLC hosted a discussion on the decision *Toronto (City) v Ontario (Attorney General)*, <u>2021 Scc 34</u>, a major constitutional case challenging Ontario legislation that reduced the size of Toronto City Council from 47 to 25 wards during an ongoing municipal election. In a 5-4 decision, a majority of the court rejected the challenge, which was brought on the basis of s. 2(b) of the *Charter*—freedom of expression—and the unwritten constitutional principle of democracy. A panel of four experts, including professors Marie-France Fortin and Mike Pal, as well as fellow Steve Chaplin, provided rapid-response commentary on the case. <u>WATCH HERE</u>

Welcome ceremony for the Honourable Mahmud Jamal of the Supreme Court of Canada

The Centre was proud to maintain the tradition of celebrating the appointment of new Supreme Court of Canada justices in partnership with both sections of the Faculty of Law. In March 2022, the Centre hosted all nine justices of the Supreme Court in our first in-person event since the start of the pandemic, to mark the historic appointment of Justice Mahmud Jamal to the Supreme Court of Canada.



"Black Voices Matter Too: Counter Narrating Smithers v the Queen"

Organized in partnership with the Civil Law Section of the Faculty of Law, this discussion with Professor Amar Khoday of the University of Manitoba, held in February 2022, delved into critical race theory, racial bias, and the minimization of racism. In his recent article "Black Voices Matter Too:



Counter Narrating *Smithers v The Queen*" (2021) 58:3 Osgoode Hall Law Journal 567, Professor Khoday presents a legal history and counter-narrative of the Court's official account in *Smithers v. R.* <u>WATCH HERE</u>

Fireside chat on Behind Closed Doors: The Law and Politics of Cabinet Secrecy, by Yan Campagnolo (UBC Press 2022)

The legal and political rules that protect the confidentiality of collective decision-making at the highest level of the state executive have come under increasing scrutiny in Canada. *Behind Closed Doors: The Law and Politics of Cabinet Secrecy* (UBC Press) is the first comprehensive work on this controversial doctrine. In this bilingual event held in March 2022, Co-Director Vanessa MacDonnell chatted with Professor Campagnolo about his new book. <u>WATCH HERE</u>

Police Misconduct: Perspectives from Public and Private Law

In March 2022, the Centre hosted a discussion on public and private law control of police misconduct. The Centre collaborated with the Observatoire pluridisciplinaire sur le devenir du droit privé, the Laboratoire de recherche vulnérabilité, trauma et culture, and the Clinique juridique de Saint-Michel for this event. The panellists analyzed the limitations, difficulties and developments in both public and private law relating to police misconduct. <u>WATCH HERE</u>

The Human Rights Tribunal of Ontario: What went wrong, who is affected, and what can be done?

In March 2022, in partnership with Tribunal Watch Ontario, the Centre organized a panel discussion with experts, including Professor Anne Levesque, on the decline of access to justice in Ontario administrative tribunals. The panellists addressed various concerns, notably staffing shortages, problems regarding the nominations process, and emerging practices within the tribunals. <u>WATCH HERE</u>

The Honourable Rosalie Silberman Abella—A Life of Firsts

To mark the retirement of the Honourable Justice Rosalie Silberman Abella from the Supreme Court of Canada, the uOttawa Public Law Centre and the Canadian Institute for the Administration of Justice (CIAJ) held a two-day conference in May 2022 examining her influence on law and society. The Conference was chaired by Centre Co-Director Vanessa MacDonnell, Centre Fellow Stephen Bindman, and Gerald Chan of Stockwoods L.L.P., Toronto.

Over 200 participants from across Canada and around the world joined this celebration (both online and in person). WATCH THE MAJORITY OF THE PRESENTATIONS HERE



VI SELECTED MEMBER PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS

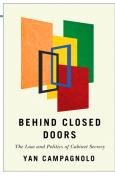
Wolfgang Alschner, INVESTMENT ARBITRATION AND STATE-DRIVEN REFORM: NEW TREATIES, OLD OUTCOMES (Oxford: Oxford University Press, 2022).

Description from the Editor: "States' efforts to reform the international investment regime have triggered an arbitral backlash. In response to shortcomings of earlier investment agreements, states concluded a new generation of investment treaties that actively balances investment protection obligations with host country policy space. These new-generation agreements are more comprehensive, more precise,

Investment Arbitration Active Old Outcomes Wolfgang Alschner

and include novel features such as general public policy exceptions. This book reviews the first set of awards rendered under those agreements and finds that new treaties have produced old interpretive outcomes in investment arbitration, and undermine state-driven investment reforms.

Adopting a systemic, evidence-based, and interdisciplinary perspective, the book leverages new data that comprehensively reflects regime dynamics, employs state-of-the-art technology including legal data science to treat the text of more than 3000 investment agreements as data, and draws from a range of theoretical frameworks spanning from law and economics to complexity science. The result is a new and authoritative empirical account of the evolution and current state of the international investment regime. The book argues that we have entered a new era: a backlash against investment arbitration has given way to a backlash by arbitrators as new treaties produce old outcomes." The book is available HERE.



Yan Campagnolo, *BEHIND CLOSED DOORS: THE LAWS AND POLITICS OF CABINET SECRECY* (UBC Press, 2021).

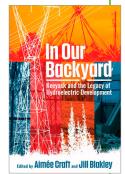
Description from the Editor: "In an era where government transparency and accountability are considered fundamental values, does Cabinet secrecy still have a place? The legal and political rules that protect the confidentiality of collective decision-making at the highest level of the state executive have come under increasing scrutiny in Canada. *Behind Closed Doors: The Law and Politics of Cabinet Secrecy* is the first comprehensive work on this controversial doctrine. Yan Campagnolo defends the practice of Cabinet secrecy by demonstrating that it is essential to the proper functioning of responsible government while finding that the secrecy regime at the federal level in Canada is excessively broad

and possibly unconstitutional. This regime deprives the courts of the authority to meaningfully review the legality of executive action. Based on a comparative analysis of the rules that apply at the provincial level in Canada and in the United Kingdom, Australia, and New Zealand—and an assessment of the latest developments in constitutional and administrative law—this meticulous work develops a feasible solution. *Behind Closed Doors* proposes innovative reforms that would achieve a better balance between government transparency and confidentiality. Those who operate the levers of power would do well to heed Campagnolo's practical advice. Legal academics, lawyers, judges, public officials, political scientists, politicians, journalists, and students will all find this impressive piece of scholarship invaluable." The book is available <u>HERE</u>.

Aimée Craft & Jill Blakley (eds.), *IN OUR BACKYARD: KEEYASK AND THE LEGACY OF HYDROELECTRIC DEVELOPMENT* (Winnipeg: University of Manitoba Press, 2022).

Description from the Editor: "Beginning With the Grand Rapids Dam in the 1960s, hydroelectric development has dramatically altered the social, political, and physical landscape of northern Manitoba. The Nelson River has been cut up into segments and fractured by a string of dams, for which the Churchill River had to be diverted and new inflow points from Lake Winnipeg created to manage their capacity. Historic mighty rapids have shrivelled into dry river beds. Manitoba Hydro's Keeyask dam and generating station will expand the existing network of 15 dams and 13,800 km of transmission lines.

In Our Backyard tells the story of the Keeyask dam and accompanying development on the Nelson River from the perspective of Indigenous peoples, academics, scientists, and regulators. It builds on the rich environmental and economic evaluations documented in the Clean Environment Commission's public hearings on Keeyask in 2012. It amplifies Indigenous voices that environmental assessment and regulatory processes have often failed to incorporate and provides a basis for ongoing decision-making and scholarship



relating to Keeyask and resource development more generally. It considers cumulative, regional, and strategic impact assessments; Indigenous worldviews and laws within the regulatory and decision-making process; the economics of development; models for monitoring and management; consideration of affected species; and cultural and social impacts.

With a provincial and federal regulatory regime that is struggling with important questions around the balance between development and sustainability, and in light of the inherent rights of Indigenous people to land, livelihoods, and self-determination, *In Our Backyard* offers critical reflections that highlight the need for purposeful dialogue, principled decision-making, and a better legacy of northern development in the future." The book is available <u>HERE</u>.



Paul Daly, UNDERSTANDING ADMINISTRATIVE LAW IN THE COMMON LAW WORLD (Oxford: Oxford University Press: 2021).

Description from the Editor: "Around the common law world, the law of judicial review of administrative action has changed dramatically in recent decades, accelerating a centuries-long process of incremental evolution. This book offers a fresh framework for understanding the core features of contemporary administrative law. Through comparative analysis of case law from Australia, Canada, England, Ireland, and New Zealand, the author develops an interpretive approach by reference to four values: individual self-realization, good administration, electoral legitimacy, and decisional autonomy. The interaction of this plurality of values explains the structure of the vast field of judicial review of administrative action:

institutional structures, procedural fairness, substantive review, remedies, restrictions on remedies, and the scope of judicial review. Addressing this wide array of subjects in detail, the book demonstrates how a pluralist approach, with the values being employed in a complementary and balanced fashion, can enhance our understanding of administrative law. Furthermore, such an approach can guide the future development of the law of judicial review of administrative action, a point illustrated by a careful analysis of the unsettled doctrinal area of legitimate expectation. The book closes by arguing that the author's values-based, pluralist framework supports the legitimacy of contemporary administrative law which, although sometimes called into question, facilitates the flourishing of individuals, of public administration, and of the liberal democratic system." The book is available <u>HERE</u>.

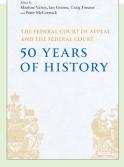


Colleen Flood & Paul Daly, ADMINISTRATIVE LAW IN CONTEXT, 4th ed (Emond Montgomery, 2021).

Description from the Editor: "Administrative Law in Context, 4th Edition examines the latest developments in the field of administrative law, relating to the important and contemporary contexts that shape legal ideas. This authoritative casebook provides a collaborative analysis of key principles and seminal cases by leveraging the voices of Canada's leading scholars and practitioners. The fourth edition includes a practical and in-depth analysis of the Supreme Court of Canada's 2019 Vavilov trilogy. Bell, NFL, and Vavilov's seminal decisions generated fundamental changes to the appellate standards of review. This edition also includes updated chapter questions, discussions, commentary, and practice tips. This text employs an experiential teaching approach to the Canadian doctrine of administrative law, combining theory and applied learning to provide a text that students can take with them, from the classroom to the courtroom." The book is available <u>HERE</u>.

Martine Valois, Ian Greene, Craig Forcese & Peter McCormick, THE FEDERAL COURT OF APPEAL AND THE FEDERAL COURT: 50 YEARS OF HISTORY (Toronto: Irwin Law, 2021).

Description from the Editor: "The Federal Court of Appeal and Federal Court are unique among Canada's courts because they are itinerant—they hear cases in all parts of Canada—as well as being bilingual and bijural. This book was prepared for the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the Federal Courts in 2021. Seventy-eight current and retired judges and prothonotaries on the two courts were interviewed and are referred to throughout the book.



The authors present a brief history of these courts and their predecessor—the Exchequer Court of Canada—and an overview of the courts' jurisdiction, decision-making trends, and unique attributes.

There are chapters on each of the courts' specialties—administrative law, immigration and refugee law, intellectual property, security and intelligence, Indigenous issues, the environment, admiralty, labour and human rights, and tax. Chief Justice Noël and Chief Justice Crampton each contribute a chapter. The preface is by Justice Frank lacobucci and the epilogue by Justice Robert Décary." The book is available <u>HERE</u>.

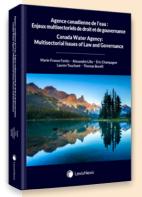




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François Larocque & Azim Hussain, LA LOI SUR L'IMMUNITÉ DES ÉTATS ANNOTÉE / THE ANNOTATED STATE IMMUNITY ACT (Cowansville: Éditons Yvon Blais, 2021).

Description from the Editor: "This book provides an up-to-date, fully bilingual and bijural summary of the case law under the *State Immunity Act* (SIA) for the benefit of Canadian and international legal audiences. It is intended as a practical guide to the SIA, a user-friendly handbook for the practitioner who is called upon to advise or represent on matters that engage issues of state immunity, as well as for the judge who must adjudicate. What does the case law say on the form of service required when suing a foreign state? How is the commercial exception interpreted? This book provides pithy summaries of Canadian cases that have dealt with the provisions of the SIA, while minimizing editorial comment on those cases. Some pre-SIA decisions are also included to the extent that they shed light on relevant common law principles." The book is available <u>HERE</u>.



Marie-France Fortin, Alexandre Lillo, Eric Champagne, Lauren Touchant & Thomas Burelli (eds.), CANADA WATER AGENCY: MULTISECTORIAL ISSUES OF LAW AND GOVERNANCE (Montreal: LexisNexis, 2022).

Description from the Editor: "In the late 2020, in order to adapt to climate change and to better protect freshwater, the federal government proposed to create a Canada Water Agency. This announcement marked a possible historic turning point. In fact, it has been more than 50 years since the last federal legislative initiative regarding national water management. The structure of the Canada Water Agency, its mission, and the operationalization of its objectives have yet to be defined. The creation of this new federal agency provides an opportunity to analyze the legislation, policies, and operations of existing water management, conservation, and regulatory organizations in Canada and internationally. It is also an occasion to critically examine the process of creating this new agency.

This book consists of papers based on the national conference presented by the University of Ottawa's Forum on Water Law and Governance. Written by experts in various fields of law and governance, these

chapters address freshwater from Indigenous, municipal, international, ecosystemic, intergovernmental, and agricultural perspectives. It also provides considerations related to the institutional development of the Canada Water Agency.

An introduction to freshwater law and governance precedes the enlightening perspectives presented in the various chapters that follow. To better situate the expert discussions in the book, the Canadian hydrographic, geographical, and climatic context is outlined, as well as the constitutional, legal, and institutional frameworks. Recent policy developments relating to the creation of the Canada Water Agency are also detailed." The book includes a text co-authored by professor and PLC member Aimée Craft. The book is available on LEXISNEXIS ADVANCE QUICKLAW.

Carissima Mathen, Patrick Macklem, Richard Albert, Joel Bakan, John Borrows, Sujit Choudhry, Noura Karazivan, Jennifer Koshan, Jean Leclair, Ian Lee, **Vanessa MacDonnell**, Richard Moon, **Peter Oliver**, Kent Roach, Bruce Ryder, David Schneiderman, Hamish Stewart, Jonnette Watson Hamilton & Lorraine Weinrib (eds.), *CANADIAN CONSTITUTIONAL LAW*, 6th ed (Toronto: Emond Publishing, 2022)

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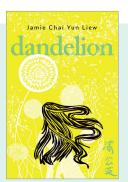
Description from the Editor: "In the sixth edition of *Canadian Constitutional Law*, general editor Patrick Macklem is joined by co-general editor Carissima Mathen, a constitutional law expert and professor at the University of Ottawa. Drawing on an editorial team that is rich with regional, linguistic, and scholarly diversity, this edition remains true to the structure of previous editions while providing a fresh perspective on many constitutional matters.

Canadian Constitutional Law, 6th Edition includes expanded coverage of Indigenous issues in chapters throughout the book, informed by the Truth and Reconciliation Commission's Calls to Action. Featuring up-to-date case law and insightful commentary, this interdisciplinary text emphasizes the history of the Canadian Constitution to facilitate a greater understanding of contemporary constitutional issues and interpretations.

Serving as a valuable pedagogical resource in the classroom and beyond, *Canadian Constitutional Law*, 6th Edition remains the most comprehensive casebook and authoritative teaching resource on Canadian constitutional law." The book includes contributions by Public Law Centre members Vanessa MacDonnell and Peter Oliver. The book is available <u>HERE</u>.

Jamie Liew, DANDELION (Vancouver: Arsenal Pulp: 2022).

Description from the Editor: "When Lily was eleven years old, her mother, Swee Hua, walked away from the family, never to be seen or heard from again. Now a new mother herself, Lily becomes obsessed with finding out what happened to Swee Hua. She recalls the spring of 1987, growing up in a small British Columbia mining town where there were only a handful of Asian families; Lily's previously stateless father wanted to blend seamlessly into Canadian life, while her mother, alienated and isolated, longed to return to Brunei. Years later, still affected by Swee Hua's disappearance, Lily's family is stubbornly silent to her questioning. But eventually, an old family friend provides a clue that sends Lily to Southeast Asia to find out the truth.



Winner of the Jim Wong-Chu Emerging Writers Award from the Asian Canadian Writers' Workshop, *Dandelion* is a beautifully written and affecting novel about motherhood, family secrets, migration, isolation, and mental illness. With clarity and care, it delves into the many ways we define home, identity, and above all, belonging." The book is available <u>HERE</u>.







Errol P. Mendes, *GLOBAL GOVERNANCE, HUMAN RIGHTS AND INTERNATIONAL LAW: COMBATING THE TRAGIC FLAW*, 2nd ed (London: Routledge, 2022).

Description from the Editor: "This book offers a stimulating introduction to the links between areas of global governance, human rights global economy and international law. By drawing on a range of diverse subject areas, it argues that the foundations of global governance, human rights and international law are undermined by a conflict or 'tragic flaw,' where insistence on absolute conceptions of state sovereignty are pitted against universally accepted principles of justice and human rights resulting in destructive self-interest for both the state and the global community. Following the election of President Donald Trump, the second edition will explore how we are witnessing a critical battle to ensure that human rights, international law and the beneficial aspects of globalization will still be relevant and applied in some of the critical institutions of global governance and in the operations of the global private sector. The second edition will focus on how states, institutions and global civil society will have to ramp

up the struggle to fight this 'tragic flaw' that is now even more evident with the actions of the US and other authoritarian states, like China and Russia in this second decade of the 21st century." The book is available <u>HERE</u>.

Benjamin Isitt & Ravi Malhotra (eds.), CLASS WARRIOR: THE COLLECTED WORKS OF E. T. KINGSLEY AND THE INTELLECTUAL ORIGINS OF THE BRITISH COLUMBIA SCHOOL

OF SOCIALISM (Athabasca: Canadian Committee on Labour History/Athabasca University Press, 2022)

Description from the Editor: "In October 1890, Eugene T. Kingsley's life changed irrevocably while working as a brakeman on the Northern Pacific Railway when he was injured in a fall between two rail cars. While recuperating in hospital after the amputation of both legs, he began reading the works of Karl Marx. Joining a popular socialist movement, his activism eventually brought him to Vancouver, B.C., where he founded the Socialist Party of Canada (SPC). Kingsley, known as a passionate orator, went on to become one of the most prominent socialist intellectuals of his day. *Class Warrior* is a collection of Kingsley's writing and speeches that underscores his tremendous impact on Canadian political discourse." The book is available HERE.



Children's Access to Justice A Critical Assessment

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Mona Paré, Marielle Bruning, Thierry Moreau & Caroline Siffrein-Blanc (eds.), *CHILDREN'S ACCESS TO JUSTICE: A CRITICAL ASSESSMENT* (Cambridge: Intersentia, 2022).

Description from the Editor: "Children's access to justice has emerged as an important topic in the children's rights domain. While there has been increasing attention paid to child-friendly justice internationally, there has been relatively little research in this area. This book, with contributions from researchers and practitioners, explores the meaning, practice and challenges of children's access to justice and contributes to a deeper understanding of what access to justice means to children, how they experience it and what it should look like in practice. It seeks to define access to justice in a global way, by addressing current challenges, asking new questions and providing answers to existing problems. One of the main areas of focus is children's

participation in legal proceedings, which critically explores how children are heard in family law, criminal law and child protection procedures. Special challenges faced by groups of children, such as indigenous children, are brought to light. The roles of different actors in justice, including judges and lawyers, but also institutions such as independent child commissioners and schools, and how they can improve children's access to justice are explored. The book also highlights structural obstacles to children's participation that can be explained by country-specific situations and the attitudes of adults towards children.

Many of the contributions are based on empirical research, bringing forth the voices of actors of justice and children themselves. While many of these contributions are country-specific, the book clearly demonstrates how challenges to children's access to justice are universal in nature." The book is available HERE.

Vanessa Gruben, Graham Mayeda & Owen Rees (eds.), CONTROVERSIES IN THE COMMON LAW: TRACING THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF CHIEF JUSTICE BEVERLEY MCLACHLIN (Toronto: University of Toronto Press, 2021).

Description from the Editor: "Beverley McLachlin was the first woman to be Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada. Joining the Court while it was establishing its approach to the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms*, McLachlin aided the court in weathering the public backlash against controversial decisions during her tenure.

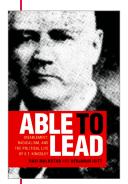
Controversies in the Common Law explores Chief Justice McLachlin's approach to legal reasoning, examines her remarkable contributions in controversial areas of the common law, and highlights the role of judicial philosophy in shaping the law. Chapters in this book span thirty years, and deal with a variety of topics—including tort, unjust enrichment, administrative law, and criminal law. The contributors show that McLachlin had a philosophical streak that drove her to ensure unity and consistency in the common law, and to prefer incremental change over revolution.

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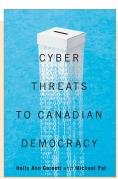
Celebrating the career of an influential jurist, *Controversies in the Common Law* demonstrates how the common law approach taken by Chief Justice McLachlin has been successful in managing criticism and ensuring the legitimacy of the Court." The book is available <u>HERE</u>.



Ravi Malhotra & Benjamin Isitt, *ABLE TO LEAD: DISABLEMENT, RADICALISM AND THE POLITICAL LIFE OF E. T. KINGSLEY* (Vancouver: UBC Press, 2021)

Description from the Editor: "Eugene T. Kingsley led an extraordinary life. Born in mid-nineteenth-century New York, in 1890 he was a railway brakeman in Montana. An accident left him a double amputee and politically radicalized, and his socialist activism that followed took him north of the border where he eventually was considered by the government to be, 'one of the most dangerous men in Canada.' *Able to Lead* traces Kingsley's political journey, starting with his time as a soapbox speaker in San Francisco. As a leading member of the California left, he ran for the US House of Representatives. After moving to British Columbia, he rose to prominence in the Socialist Party of Canada and edited its newspaper, the Western Clarion. Although never elected to political office, Kingsley shaped an entire generation of Canadian leftists. **Ravi Malhotra** and Benjamin Isitt illuminate a figure who wielded considerable influence in an era when it was uncommon for disabled men to lead. They examine Kingsley's endeavours for justice against the Northern Pacific Railway,

and how Kingsley's life intersected with immigration law and free-speech rights. *Able to Lead* brings a turbulent period in North American history to life, highlighting the implications of this profound legacy for the twenty-first-century political left. This compelling account will find an audience among labour and leftist historians, advocates for disability rights, and general readers interested in disability and activist history." The book is available <u>HERE</u>.



Holly Ann Garnett & **Michael Pal**, **CYBER THREATS TO CANADIAN DEMOCRACY** (Montreal-Kingston: McGill-Queen's University Press, 2022).

Description from the Editor: "From the Cambridge Analytica scandal to overloaded internet voting servers to faulty voting machines, the growing relationship between democracy and technology has brought to light the challenges associated with integrating new digital tools into the electoral system. Canadian politics has also felt the impact of this migration online.

This timely book presents the first comprehensive study of the various cyber-threats to election integrity across Canadian jurisdictions. Scrutinizing the events of the 2019 federal election, *Cyber-Threats*

to Canadian Democracy examines how new technologies have affected the practice of electoral politics and what we can do to strengthen future Canadian elections. Through the disciplines of political science, law, computer science, engineering, communications, and others, chapters shed light on some of the most contentious issues around technology and electoral integrity. The contributors address current domestic and foreign threats to Canadian elections, evaluate the behaviour of actors ranging from political parties and interest groups to policymakers and election administrators, and assess emerging legal and regulatory responses while anticipating future challenges to the quality of elections in Canada and around the globe.

Cyber-Threats to Canadian Democracy helps seed the study of digital technology's security risks, providing insight into what reforms are needed and evaluating existing legal and policy frameworks in light of these threats." The book is available <u>HERE</u>.

Chislain Otis, Jean Leclair & Sophie Thériault, *APPLIED LEGAL PLURALISM: PROCESSES, DRIVING FORCES, AND EFFECTS* (London: Routledge, 2022).

Description from the Editor: "This book offers a comparative study of the management of legal pluralism.

The authors describe and analyze the way state and non-state legal systems acknowledge legal pluralism—defined as the coexistence of a state and non-state legal systems in the same space in respect of the same subject matter for the same population—and determine its consequences for their own purposes. The book sheds light on the management processes deployed by legal systems in Africa, Canada, Central Europe and the South Pacific, the multitudinous factors circumscribing

the action of systems and individuals with respect to legal pluralism, and the effects of management strategies and processes on systems as well as on individuals. The book offers fresh practical and analytical insight on applied legal pluralism, a fast-growing field of scholarship and professional practice. Drawing from a wealth of original empirical data collected in several countries by a multilingual and multidisciplinary team, it provides a thorough account of the intricate patterns of state and non-state practices with respect to legal pluralism.

As the book's non-prescriptive approach helps to uncover and evaluate several biases or assumptions on the part of policy-makers, scholars and development agencies regarding the nature and the consequences of legal pluralism, it will appeal to a wide range of scholars and practitioners in law, development studies, political science and social sciences." The book is available <u>HERE</u>.



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PARTNERSHIPS WITH OTHER INTERNATIONAL PUBLIC LAW RESEARCH CENTRES

In 2021, the Centre concluded a formal research collaboration agreement with the Gilbert + Tobin Public Law Centre at the University of New South Wales in Sydney, Australia. The Centre is also exploring additional links with other Public Law Centres, including those located in La Francophonie.

PARTNERSHIP WITH QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY FOR A PUBLIC LAW WORKS-IN-PROGRESS WORKSHOP

The Public Law Centre once again collaborated with Queen's University Faculty of Law on a works-in-progress workshop in June 2022.

PARTNERSHIP ON NATIONAL CONFERENCE TO MARK THE 40TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE PATRIATION OF THE CONSTITUTION

The Centre partnered with the Centre for Constitutional Studies at the University of Alberta, the University of Texas at Austin Program on Constitutional Studies, and the Centre d'analyze de politique—Constitution Fédéralisme at UQAM on a major national conference in April 2022 to mark the 40th anniversary of the patriation of the Constitution. The conference forged new connections between the Centre and other public law research centres in Canada and the U.S.



INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF CONSTITUTIONAL LAW'S JUNIOR SCHOLARS FORUM

Centre Co-Director Vanessa MacDonnell organized, in collaboration with Professor Francisca Pou Giménez of Institute for Legal Research of the UNAM, the 2022 Juniors Scholars Forum of the International Association of Constitutional Law (IACL). Held on September 8, 9, 12, 13 and 14, 2022, via Zoom, the Forum allowed junior scholars to connect with other junior scholars from around the world, in particular bridging the gap between scholars located in the "Global North" and "Global South"; and to receive feedback on their research and writing from distinguished scholars in the field.



PUBLIC LAW WORKSHOP SERIES WITH TEL AVIV UNIVERSITY'S FACULTY OF LAW

Centre Co-Director Terry Skolnik organized a public law workshop series with Tel Aviv University's Faculty of Law. The series was comprised of four workshops. The workshops took place between February 2022 and May 2022, and we hope to continue the workshop series for 2022–2023.

VIII MEMBER HIGHLIGHTS

- Natasha Bakht is one of the finalists for the 2021 Johanna Metcalf Performing Arts Prizes of the Metcalf Foundation. <u>READ HERE</u>
- Natasha Bakht was the 2020-21 recipient of the Huguenot Award for her book In Your Face: Law, Justice, and Niqab-Wearing Women in Canada. <u>READ HERE</u>
- The United Kingdom Parliament's International Relations and Defence Committee has undertaken an inquiry into the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea (UNCLOS), entitled "UNCLOS: fit for purpose in the 21st century?", which includes a call for Law of the Sea experts to prepare written evidence on a series of questions posed by the Committee. Monim Benaissa is proudly part of this group of international experts. <u>READ HERE</u>
- Yan Campagnolo's latest book, Behind Closed Doors, was identified by The Hill Times as one of the top 100 books published in 2021. <u>READ HERE</u>
- Louise Bélanger-Hardy, Aline Grenon and Yan Campagnolo are undertaking a project to update a seminal two-volume work presenting Canadian common law and Quebec civil law from a comparative law perspective. <u>READ HERE</u>
- Aimée Craft was the winner in the Graphic Novels, Comics and Illustrated Books category of the 2022 Indigenous Voices Awards for her book *Treaty Words*. <u>READ HERE</u>
- Aimée Craft has been elected a Member of the College of New Scholars, Artists and Scientists of the Royal Society of Canada (RSC). <u>READ HERE</u>
- Aimée Craft has been appointed to the Order of Ontario, the province's highest honour, awarded to Ontarians for excellence and achievement in any field. <u>READ HERE</u>
- Paul Daly participated in the first instalment of the annual the Administrative Law & Governance Colloquium on February 8th. The theme of this year's colloquium was automation, digitization and artificial intelligence in public administration. <u>WATCH HERE</u>

- Paul Daly, Mike Pal, Peter Oliver and Vanessa MacDonnell took part in the Public Law Conference held at the University College Dublin. <u>READ HERE</u>
- Collen Flood has been named the 2022 Justice Emmett Hall Laureate. She will use her platform to address the broader perspectives of *Canada Health Act* reform. <u>READ HERE</u>
- Craig Forcese has been appointed as the new Vice President of the National Security and Intelligence Review Agency (NSIRA). <u>READ HERE</u>
- Martha Jackman joined Senator Kim Pate to discuss poverty as a human rights violation from a legal and constitutional lens. <u>LISTEN HERE</u>
- John Mark Keyes was the recipient of the 2020 John Tait Award of Excellence, which honours, recognizes, and celebrates the accomplishments of Public Sector Lawyers in Canada. <u>READ HERE</u>
- François Larocque is the recipient of the J. Shirley Denison Award bestowed annually by the Law Society of Ontario in recognition of significant contributions to access to justice and/or poverty issues. <u>READ HERE</u>
- Anne Levesque received the University of Ottawa's 2022
 Award for Excellence in Knowledge Mobilization in the Early
 Career Researcher category. <u>READ HERE</u>
- Jamie Liew has been appointed the Director of the Institute of Feminist and Gender Studies effective July 1, 2021 for a twoyear term. <u>READ HERE</u>
- Jamie Liew has earned an Insight Grant with Amada Cheong from the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council to fund the first in-depth study of the historical and institutional roots of statelessness in Malaysia. <u>READ HERE</u>
- Alexandre Lillo was awarded the Médaille du Barreau de Paris for his doctoral thesis, "The Shape of Water— La construction d'un cadre juridique de gestion de l'eau au Canada," under the co-supervision of Professor Jamie Benidickson (University of Ottawa) and Professor Catherine Ribot (Université de Montpellier). <u>READ HERE</u>

- Alexandre Lillo was appointed Professor at the Université du Québec à Montréal. <u>READ HERE</u>
- Alexandre Lillo attended COP26 with Lauren Touchant and Professor Thomas Burelli on behalf of uOttawa's Trebekfunded interdisciplinary research program on water law and governance. <u>WATCH HERE</u>
- Ravi Malhotra is the recipient of an SSHRC Insight Grant to investigate "crip time," the law and the duty to accommodate toward a legal materialist understanding of the lives of workers with disabilities. <u>READ HERE</u>
- Carissima Mathen won second place in the Walter Owen Book Competition for her book Courts Without Cases. <u>READ HERE</u>
- Carissima Mathen and Vanessa MacDonnell are members of the inaugural cohort of Research Associates of the new Centre for Constitutional Law and Legal Studies of the University of British Columbia. <u>READ HERE</u>
- Errol P. Mendes was the chair of a conference organized by the Professional Development Institute of uOttawa and the Canadian branch of the International Commission of Jurists on disinformation and its challenges to democracy. WATCH HERE
- Errol P. Mendes gave a lecture on sovereignty, human rights and international law at Oxford University entitled "Revisiting Sovereignty in Public and International Law in Fractured Societies." <u>WATCH HERE</u>
- Muriel Paradelle, in collaboration with Jurivision, examines the elements that must be taken into account in order to classify the conflict in Ukraine as a crime against humanity under international law. <u>WATCH HERE</u>
- Mona Paré was awarded an Insight Grant from the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council with Professor Anne Levesque for her research on the judicial and extrajudicial processes that enable children in Canada to claim their own rights. <u>READ HERE</u>
- Benoît Pelletier has received the title of Distinguished University Professor from the University of Ottawa.
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- Benoît Pelletier has been awarded The Medal of Honour of the National Assembly. <u>READ HERE</u>
- Benoît Pelletier appeared in front of the Standing Senate Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs to discuss the bilateral constitutional amendment regarding the taxation of the Canadian Pacific Railway in Saskatchewan. <u>WATCH HERE</u>
- Jennifer Quaid's article, "The Limits of Legislation as a Tool of Reform: A study of the Westray Reform to Organizational Sentencing," earned an honourable mention in the Quebec Bar Foundation's 2021 Legal Writing Competition. <u>READ HERE</u>
- Sylvia Rich joined Senator Kim Pate to talk about remediation agreements and fairness in sentencing for corporations and individuals. <u>LISTEN HERE</u>
- Sarah Berger Richardson has received an Insight Development Grant from the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council for her research into the impact of slaughter line speeds on worker safety and animal welfare in Canada.
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- Sarah Berger Richardson and Civil Law Section filmmaker-in-residence Étienne Trepanier were featured on the CBC for their documentary film based on Berger Richardson's research, *The Right to Farm*. <u>READ HERE</u>
- Samuel Singer was the first prize winner of the 2021 English Language Article Prize recognizing the leading work in Canadian socio-legal studies for his article "Trans Rights Are Not Just Human Rights: Legal Strategies for Trans Justice." <u>READ HERE</u>
- Samuel Singer received a SSHRC Insight Development Grant from the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council for a project studying taxpayer remedies in Canada. <u>READ ICI</u>
- Marie-Eve Sylvestre, Celine Bellot, and Nick Blomley were the winners of the 2021 W. Wesley Pue Book Prize, which recognizes the leading work in Canadian socio-legal studies Red Zones: Criminal Law and the Territorial Governance of Marginalized People. <u>READ HERE</u>



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