

Legal Professionals Panel 2024

University of Toronto Pre-Law Students' Association (UTPLSA)

Land Acknowledgment

We wish to acknowledge the land on which the University of Toronto operates. For more than fifteen thousand years, this land has been the home of the First Nations such as the Huron-Wendat, the Seneca, and most recently, the Mississaugas of the Credit. Today our association is situated in the land that remains home to the Indigenous people across Turtle Island. As we engage with the Canadian legal system, we must acknowledge the harms which were and continue to be perpetrated against Indigenous people under the Canadian legal code. Approaching the path of reconciliation, we must recognize the colonial underpinnings of the Canadian legal system and work to protect the rights of First Nations to self-determination

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Welcome!

Thank you for joining the University of Toronto's Legal Professionals Panel!

Our Events Team has put together a panel designed to teach our members about life as a legal professional through a Q&A panel with corporate barristers and solicitors!

Please note that all attendees must RSVP through the form on our website and Instagram due to limited capacity. Confirmation of attendance is required at registration. Attendees also have the opportunity to submit questions through the form linked on our social medias, to be approved by our operational and events staff.

Doors for the event will open promptly at 6:45pm, and close at 7:10pm. The panel is scheduled to run from 7:15pm-8pm. From 8-9pm panellists and attendees will have the chance to snack on the refreshments prepared by Hart House Catering, and network.

Event Information

Location: Hart House Debate Rooms (Room 2034)

Date: January 13th, 2024

Time: 7-9PM EST

- Doors Open: 6:45pm
- Doors Close: 7:15pm
- Panel Q&A: 7:15-8pm
- Networking: 8-9pm

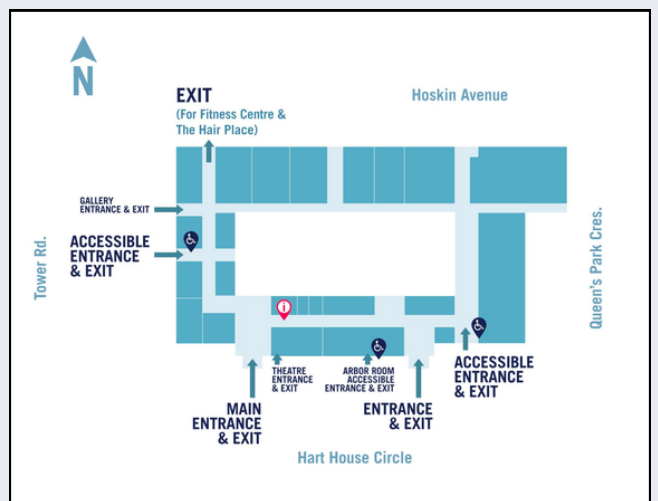
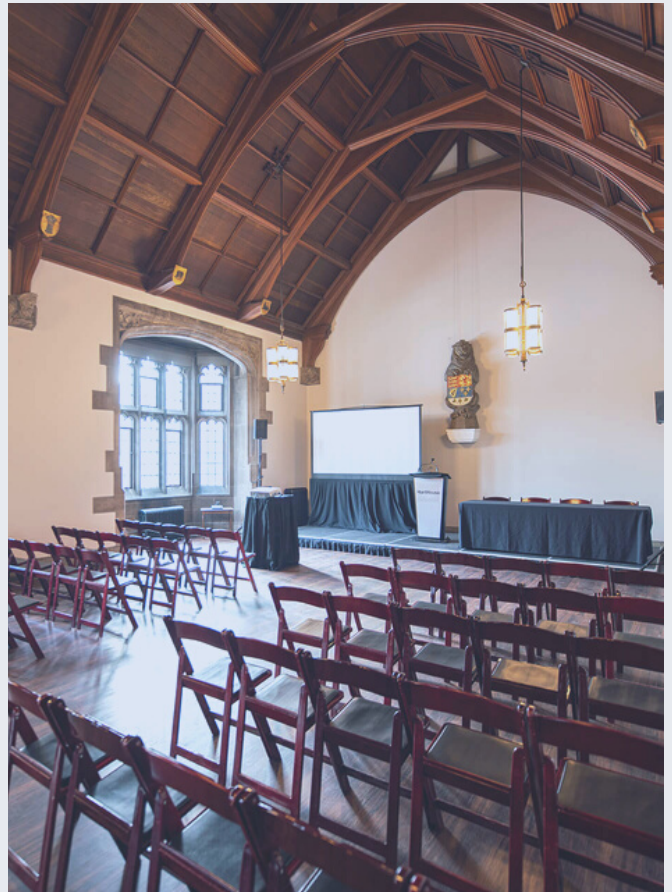
Menu: Light Snacks & Refreshments

Should you require any accommodations on the day of the event, please do not hesitate to reach out to our Equity Team at equitymanager.utpls@gmail.com or our President at president.utpls@gmail.com.

We look forward to meeting you soon!

Best regards,

Malika Bhambra



Solomiya Zakharchuk

University of Toronto (BA, 2019)
Osgoode Hall Law School (JD, 2022)

"Solomiya is an associate and previous summer and articling student at Lenczner Slaght. During her time at Lenczner Slaght, Solomiya has gained experience in a variety of disciplines including commercial, regulatory, and securities matters. Solomiya also has experience working on motions, alternative dispute resolution, and trials, both virtually and in-person.

Solomiya completed her JD at Osgoode Hall Law School where she was extensively involved in clinical programs and student life. She worked as a junior and senior caseworker with the Osgoode Business Clinic, co-founded the Ukrainian Law Students and Securities Law Associations, was president of the Mooting Society, and co-president of the Tax Law Association. Solomiya was also an avid mooter, placing first in the Donald G.H. Bowman National Tax Moot, and third in the Securities Moot. In addition to her various academic awards, she was awarded the Dean's Gold Key for her contributions to student life.

Prior to attending law school, Solomiya double majored in Political Science and Criminology at the University of Toronto where she received the Gold Medal in the Arts at St. Michael's College. litigator with a focus on healthcare. An advocate for professionals in a range of sensitive and complex matters in face of disciplinary and regulatory tribunals, and before all levels of court in Ontario.



Doug Chalke

McGill University (BA, 2013)
Cornell Law School (JD, 2016)

"Doug is a lawyer focusing on complex commercial litigation and investigations at Lenczner Slaght LLP in Toronto.

Doug joined Lenczner Slaght after practicing at a top litigation boutique in New York City, where he gained extensive trial experience in a broad array of matters including defending clients accused of various forms of fraud, handling shareholder derivative actions, and representing individuals and business entities being investigated by the government.

A previous practitioner of a leading international law firm situated in New York City. He represented clients in multiple federal trials, winning favourable results for the clients. Doug completed his JD at Cornell Law School, where he earned multiple awards including the Dean's Scholarship and the CALI Excellence for the Future Award in Sports Law. Prior to attending law school, Doug obtained an Honours undergraduate degree from McGill University, where he graduated with Distinction.

Doug also worked as an LSAT Instructor and aided in the operation of a summer camp for underprivileged youth."*



* <https://litigate.com/DougChalke>

Kristen Rogers

Brock University (BA)

University of Toronto Law School (LLB)

"Kristen's legal career began as an associate in corporate/commercial law in law firms in Toronto, Ontario and London, England before moving in-house to Amersham and GE HealthCare within the life sciences, pharmaceutical and medical device sectors. Kristen has been the General Counsel of GE HealthCare in Canada since 2009. She was also the General Counsel of General Electric in Canada from January 2020 until the GE HealthCare spin-off from General Electric in January 2023. From February 2018 until December 2019, Kristen was the General Counsel of GE HealthCare, Latin America and in 2023 became the global Product Counsel for GE HealthCare's Command Center business, in addition to her Canadian role.

Kristen lives in the beautiful, wine country Niagara region with her husband, 2 sons, a daughter and their beloved pet Samoyed dog. She is an advocate for people with Down Syndrome and enjoys community service, currently being the President of the Canadian Henley Rowing Corporation which hosted the Canada Games in 2022 and will be hosting the 2024 U23 World Rowing Championships. Kristen was also recently a director on the national board of the Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters industry association from December 2021 until March 2023."



GE HealthCare

Frid Mughal

University of Toronto (BSc, 2020)
University of Toronto Law School (JD, 2023)

“**Frid** is an articling student at Intact Financial Corporation practicing insurance defense litigation.

Frid recently graduated from the University of Toronto Faculty of Law where he took a keen interest in advocacy and litigation through participating in mock trial, competitive mooting, and volunteering at the International Human Rights Program at the University of Toronto.

Frid joined Intact after completing a summer at a prominent plaintiff-side civil litigation boutique in Toronto in his 2L summer.

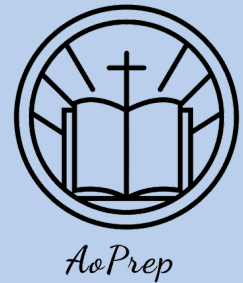
Prior to attending law school, Frid completed his undergraduate degree in Life Science with a double major in Human Biology and Nutritional Science, also at the University of Toronto. While in undergrad, Frid was an active member in the University of Toronto Pre-Law Society community and is excited to be returning and sharing his experience with the current society as an alumni.

While not at work, Frid enjoys cheering on the Raptors, travelling, and helping out at his family's millwork shop.”



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