

## PANEL A: Insolvency and Family Law - Can They Coexist Fairly?



### **The Honourable Fred Myers, Ontario Superior Court of Justice**

Mr Justice Fred Myers is a Judge on the Ontario Superior Court of Justice. Prior to his appointment in 2014, Fred was a partner at Goodmans LLP and, before that, at Osler Hoskin & Harcourt LLP. Fred was recognized as a senior commercial litigator in insolvency and corporate restructuring cases. Fred graduated from Osgoode Hall Law School in 1983 where he was awarded the Gold Medal. He served as law clerk to the Right Honourable Bora Laskin, Chief Justice of Canada and the Hon Mr Justice G E LeDain. In 1985, Fred obtained an LLM degree from Harvard Law School.



### **Robert Klotz, Klotz Associates, Toronto**

Robert Klotz, BSc, JD, LLM, was called to the Ontario bar in 1981. He practices in the Toronto firm of Klotz Associates, focusing primarily in bankruptcy and insolvency and commercial litigation. He has appeared before all levels of Canadian courts including the Supreme Court of Canada. Mr. Klotz has served as National Chair of the CBA Insolvency Section, Chair of the OBA Insolvency Section, Editor of the National Creditor-Debtor Review, an appointed member of the federal Personal Insolvency Task Force and, currently, a board member of the Canadian Assoc. of Insolvency and Restructuring Professionals (CAIRP).

Mr. Klotz has testified on numerous occasions in Parliament about insolvency issues and maintains an active interest in legislative reform. Over the past 25 years, several of his statutory reform proposals have been incorporated into the Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act.



### **Michael Myers, Papazian Heisey Myers, Toronto**

Michael Myers was called to the Ontario Bar in 1980 and practiced real estate based commercial law at a number of well-known firms including Goodmans and Gordon Traub prior to founding Papazian | Heisey | Myers in 2001. Michael's current practice focuses on debt collection and contract enforcement – which combines the law of contract with commercial litigation strategy and uses the latter as a tool to assist in the settlement of debts (including mortgage debts) and real property and commercial contract disputes.

Of particular interest to Michael over the last few years is his foray into the workings of Section 96 of the Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act and his successes for creditor clients in recovering substantial assets from recipients of Transfers at Undervalue (essentially, fraudulent conveyances prohibited by the BIA). Michael has also successfully dealt with OPCA litigants and other 'internet-based debt elimination' individuals (Freemen of the Land).



### **Jennifer McCracken, BDO Canada Limited, Vancouver**

Jennifer McCracken is a senior manager with BDO Canada's Financial Restructuring Group in the Lower Mainland. Jennifer is a graduate from the Faculty of Arts at the University of British Columbia and obtained her designation as a Chartered Insolvency Restructuring Professional in 2009. She is a Licensed Insolvency Trustee with experience in corporate and consumer restructuring engagements, including court-appointed receiverships, bankruptcies and proposals to creditors. Jennifer actively volunteers with provincial and national initiatives for the Canadian Association of Insolvency and Restructuring Professionals and currently serves as the BC Representative on CAIRP's board of directors.

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