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JUDGMENT WRITING SEMINAR

June 29—July 2, 2020, The Westin Montreal
270 Saint-Antoine St. West, Montreal, Quebec



CO-CHAIRS

Justice James O'Reilly, Federal Court, Ottawa, ON

Justice Daniel W. Payette, Superior Court of Quebec, Montreal, QC

SEMINAR OVERVIEW

This seminar is designed to assist judges in improving their judgment-writing skills. The program includes lectures, discussions, and workshops that stress the nature of good prose, point-first writing and the special requirements and special challenges of judicial writing. Since the art of writing is a skill that, like all skills, can be improved only through practice, much of the instruction will center on written exercises and judgments. Please note that the number of available places is limited. Each judge will be assigned an instructor who will read a sample of the judge's writing prior to the seminar and will supervise the seminar discussions and workshops. The academic faculty members, most associated with major Canadian universities, have been chosen for their writing abilities as well as for their experience in teaching legal writing.

****Judges who have participated in this seminar and then have gained some years of experience are encouraged to upgrade their skills by participating in the advanced program entitled "Mastering the Skill of Judgment Writing," which takes place every two years.*

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