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CIAJ | Canadian Institute for the Administration of Justice

➔ WHO WE ARE

Created in 1974, CIAJ is the only non-profit, independent organization that brings together all legal professionals in Canada, in both official languages.

Collaborating with governments, courts, tribunals, professional associations, law schools and law firms, CIAJ sponsors and conducts conferences, roundtables on key issues, cutting-edge training programs and specialized seminars, and prepares comprehensive papers and reports.

Whether you are a judge, lawyer, legislative drafter, member of an administrative tribunal, prothonotary, law professor, law student, or member of any other legal profession, you are welcome to join CIAJ's network and take action.

Engage in a discussion with your colleagues from across Canada and abroad to make a difference in the administration of justice. Together we can have a real impact and make changes that count.

Key statistics (2022-2023)

- 2600+ members from across Canada
- 303 volunteer speakers who are leaders in their professions
- 1957 participants from all branches of Canada's legal community
- 39 programs

Join our online community

Subscribe to CIAJ's Bulletin, join us on social media and share your thoughts with the community. You may also write a blogpost or record a podcast with us. CIAJ is active on Twitter, LinkedIn and Facebook. All links and details can be found on our website: www.ciaj-icaj.ca.

➔ OUR PROGRAMS

For all members of the legal community

Thematic annual conferences

- The Law of Borders (in Ottawa & online, 2023)
- The families and the Law (in Winnipeg & online, 2025)
- Environment and the Law (in Vancouver & online, 2025)

Thematic programs & webinars

- National Administrative Law Week (New)
- National Roundtable on Administrative Law (annual)
- Decision-Writing Seminar (annual)
- Webinar series on administrative law
- Webinar series on Indigenous Peoples and the law, administrative law, legislative drafting, etc.

National discussions on key issues

- Transforming the Family Justice System
- Summit on the Digitalization of the Courts
- Access to Justice

For judges

New federally appointed judges

- Seminar for New Federally Appointed Judges (twice a year)

Judges from all jurisdictions

- Judgment Writing Seminar (annual)
- Mastering the Skill of Judgment Writing (biennial)
- Advanced Judicial Seminar on Administrative Law (biennial)
- Dealing Effectively with Judicial Review (biennial)
- Writing Reasons in Sexual Assault Cases
- Personal Prejudices and Cognitive Biases

For legislative drafters

- International conference on legislative drafting (biennial)
- Webinars on legislative drafting issues (twice a year)

➤ CUSTOMIZED TRAINING

Every year, CIAJ provides diverse accredited training programs online and in person, across Canada and abroad, to thousands of individuals and many institutions.

CIAJ brings training right to your door

CIAJ provides training programs to all players in the judicial system. Our team analyzes your needs and prepares customized training based on your experience. The programs are developed and delivered by experts:

The type of programs we provide

Courts and administrative tribunals

- Drafting decisions
- Judgment writing
- Writing reasons
- Writing reasons in sexual assault cases
- Personal Prejudices and Cognitive Biases
- Conducting proceedings and evidence
- Managing an administrative tribunal
- Managing parties who represent themselves
- Plain language communication
- Team work and communications
- Better case and time management
- Collective working environment
- Procrastination; Resilience; Wellness

Indigenous communities

- Basic training in administrative law
- Extensive training for new judges of Indigenous courts
- Tools for understanding Indigenous values
- Dispute resolution skills
- Legislative Drafting

RESOURCES

➤ Online library

Discover our online library and access over 2000 documents:

- Free webinars
- CPD webinars (free for CIAJ members only)
- Videos from past conferences
- Educational material provided by our instructors
- Papers, articles and reports on a variety of topics



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➤ Podcast

In All Fairness is a CIAJ podcast channel welcoming representatives from the legal community and exploring how we can all contribute to improving the administration of justice. Legal professionals will benefit from informed discussions on key issues, essential knowledge and insights to strengthen their practice.

➤ Blog

CIAJ's blog is updated regularly and hosts over a hundred posts covering a variety of topics, in both official languages.

Please feel free to contact us should you have any questions or require assistance: 514-731-2855 | ciaj@ciaj-icaj.ca

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➤ JOIN THE NETWORK

Be an individual or institutional member

- Watch webinars for free or at a preferred rate
- Save up to \$150 on each program and earn CPD hours
- Get involved in shaping the administration of justice by participating in CIAJ's national programs and roundtables
- Expand your network across the country

Note: The \$200 membership fee is recoverable by federally-appointed judges under S. 27(1) of the Judges Act.

Institutions that become members benefit from all advantages given to individual members, in addition to obtaining special group rates and the privilege to make certain announcements on CIAJ's platforms.

Be one of our expert speakers or committee members

Every year, hundreds of legal professionals volunteer with CIAJ, sharing their knowledge with the community and contributing to developing the next generation of justice ambassadors.

Be a mentor for the next generation of law professionals

"Pass the baton" to students or young lawyers! Offer them one-year memberships, or welcome a law student through CIAJ's Internships Across Canada program.

Join the Student Section for \$15 and discover our activities

- Judicial Internships Across Canada Program
- Christine Huglo Robertson Essay Prize (\$1,000)
- Participate in any CIAJ Program at a preferred rate

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