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Join practical, in-depth sessions that are top of mind for police services and their counsel, including:

- End of School Liaison Officers, and the Impact on Relationships Between Agencies and Schools
- Civil Liability Exposure of Cities: Year in Review of Top Cases and Need-to-Know Development
- Preparing to Testify in Court: Real-World Tips and Traps to Avoid
- Action Points for Handling Public Complaints and Misconduct Offences: Key Trends and Takeaways for Policy, Training and Complaint Management
- Production Orders for Electronic Evidence versus Special Warrants

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A Message from Your Co-Chairs

Police agencies are being held to a higher account. As public mistrust continues to grow, so does the number of complaints against officers and agencies, from allegations of negligent investigations to racial profiling. As well, there is greater demand for transparency in the complaint process, with increased calls for access to information on discipline and conduct proceedings. *Does your police agency have the resources and strategy to address and reduce complaints?*

Don't miss **The Canadian Institute's 12th Annual Law of Policing Conference, Western Edition,** taking place virtually, where experts will delve into legislative updates, precedent-setting case law, police liability and the most critical challenges affecting law enforcement professional standards in Canada. Here are just some of the timely topics we will delve into this year:

>> Top Trends and Action Points for Handling Public Complaints and Misconduct Offences

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- >> How to Manage Employee Performance and When to Escalate to a Discipline Investigation
- >>> Civil Liability Exposure of Cities: Year in Review of Top Cases and Need-to-Know Development
- >> Preserving the Integrity of Digital Evidence Management Prior to Courtroom Proceedings
- >> Preparing to Testify in Court: Real-World Tips and Traps to Avoid

Join two days of balanced perspectives on the most pressing issues facing police services, police associations, police boards, independent police oversight agencies, and their counsel. Hear from a distinguished and diverse faculty of speakers as they provide practical solutions and optimal tools for your organization.

If this is your first time attending, or if you are a returning delegate, we look forward to seeing you *virtually* this November!

Keitha Elvin-Jensen Senior Counsel Justice Canada R. Kyle Friesen General Counsel, Legal Services Surrey Police Service

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DAY ONE **November 8** (PST)

8:30

Opening Remarks from the Co-Chairs

R. Kyle Friesen, General Counsel, Legal Services, Surrey Police Service

8:45

Interview with Vancouver Police Department: End of School Liaison Officers and the Impact on Relationships Between Agencies and Schools

Fiona Wilson, Deputy Chief Constable, Vancouver Police Department

In the wake of some school boards ending their liaison officer programs, this important opening session will discuss how the removal of school liaison officers came to be, the anticipated impact on youth and what the relationship between police and schools will look like in the future.

- Identifying hallmarks of why the school board ended the program
- Lessons learned and takeaways for other jurisdictions
- What does an "evolving" relationship with school boards mean going forward?
- Emerging critical challenges under YCJA
 - » Attending school property
 - » Search and seizure on school property, such as lockers
 - » Apprehension of a minor on school property





Action Points for Handling Public Complaints and Misconduct Offences: Key Trends and Takeaways for Policy, Training and Complaint Management

Kevin Kobi, Intake Manager, Professional Standards Branch, Edmonton Police Service

Naomi Krueger, Associate, Alexander Holburn Beaudin + Lang LLP

Deborah Petriuk, Public Complaint Director & Legal Counsel, Calgary Police Commission

A broad look at the most common complaints against police officers from dis-credible conduct to racial profiling, and discussing their validity. Participate in live anonymous polling as we discuss what positive actions can be taken to reduce complaints and manage them effectively.

PART I:

Taking stock of emerging complaints

- Analyzing the most common complaints against officers, including:
 - » Validating the complaint
 - » Gauging the level of severity
 - » Performance actions taken against the officers
 - » Actions communicated to the complainant and/or general public

PART II:

Action Items

- How can the role of a police agency as a customer service provider reduce complaints?
- What role can public education campaigns and community policing initiatives play in reducing complaints?
- Discuss the correlation between training initiatives and a reduction in complaints

10:15 Break

10:45

How to Manage Employee Performance and When to Escalate to a Discipline Investigation: Contrasting the Police Acts and Labour Law Considerations

Michael Duffy, Counsel, Policy and Research, Police Association of Ontario

Gavin Marshall, Partner, Roper Greyell LLP

- The anatomy of a discipline investigation under the provinces' respective *Police Service Act* and *Police Act*
- Triaging workplace complaints against a police employee
- Actions to resolve employee conflicts and or performance challenges internally
- Examining the threshold for escalating a performance challenge to a discipline investigation
- Best practices for "no contact provisions"
- Examining specific challenges for employees under probation
- Examining the threshold for dismissal

11:45

FOIPOP: Responding to a Surge in Information Requests while Protecting Individual Privacy— From BWCs to Police Misconduct

Cara-Lynn Stelmack, Director, Mediation and Investigation, Alberta Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner

MODERATOR: R. Kyle Friesen, General Counsel, Legal Services, Surrey Police Service

As police agencies across the country adopt body-worn cameras, the number of FOIPOP requests are increasing. This session will delve into the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (FOIPOP) which allows members of the general public access to documents, record or file held by the government, regardless of format.

- Best practices for streamlining FOIPOP requests
- Balancing an individual's right to access documents, and an individual's right to privacy

- Clarifying the exceptions including:
 - » Protecting against unreasonable invasion of personal privacy
 - » Protecting law enforcement activities
 - » Safeguarding the business conducted by government
- Addressing the challenges with FOIPOP requests for body-worn or car camera footage
- Resolving challenges with FOIPOP requests for officer disciplinary reviews

12:45 1:1 Networking

Make new connections, face-to-face through a series of random 1:1 meet-ups. Expand your network and exchange contact details!

- Lunch Break 1:00
- 1:45

Overview of Color of Law and Statutes

Q Ron Reed, Unit Chief, Civil Rights Unit, **FBI Criminal Investigative Division**



Civil Liability Risks for Municipalities:

Year in Review of Top Cases and Need-to-Know **Developments**

Doug Brown, Director of Legal Services, City Solicitor, City of Winnipeg

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- · Validating claims against police and the Crown, and disproving false claims
- Evaluating trends in civil suites
- Grounds for litigation against police: False imprisonment, malicious prosecution, negligent investigation, door breaches and Charges stayed and dismissed
- Vehicle crashes involving third parties
- Duty of care and wrongful death investigations

3:30 Break

3:45 HYPOTHETICAL SCENARIOS

Media Coverage and Public Confidence: 2

- Perspectives on Engaging with News Media in Good Times and in Bad
- **Cherri Greeno**, Manager, Corporate Communications and Public Information. Executive Branch. Waterloo Regional Police Service, Chair, **Ontario Media Relations Officers Network**

During this practical, interactive session, faculty members will take you through a series of hypothetical scenarios and provide best practices for:

 Crisis communication dos and don'ts when interacting with news media and social media

I found the conference interesting and informative.

Sergeant/Professional Standards, RCMP

- Handling corrections, misinformation and fake news swiftly and efficiently
- Exploring how everyday interactions with news media representatives can build common ground
- Showcasing "good news" stories to promote your police agency and improve community relations

LIVE AUDIENCE POLLING 4:30



Building Public Trust through Community Policing Initiatives: "On the Ground" **Experiences and Takeaways**

Weith Blake, Chief of Police, Tsuut'ina Nation **Police Service**

Brittany Ouellette, Executive Officer, Tsuut'ina Nation **Police Service**

A look at how a police service has worked with its Indigenous community members to create a unique policing strategy, build community trust, and improve police investigations amid sociopolitical tensions and historical trauma. Delegates will be invited to benchmark with fellow participants during this live anonymous polling session.

- Identifying your community's unique values and priorities, and what can be learned through surveys
- Establishing two-way communication with community members before there is an incident
- Building community trust amid historical trauma and or during ongoing political-social tension
- Calculating the return on investment

5:15

Closing Remarks from the Co-Chairs

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DAY TWO November 9 (PST)

8:50

Opening Remarks from the Co-Chairs

9:00

Keynote Address: Strengthening Public Confidence in Police Officers, Departments and Law Enforcement Agencies

Kelechi "Kaycee" Madu, QC, Minister of Justice and Solicitor General, Government of Alberta

9:30

Preserving the Integrity of Digital Evidence Management Prior to Courtroom Proceedings

David Jones, Chief Officer, Metro Vancouver Transit Police

Jim Hughes, Chief Legal Technology Counsel, British Columbia Prosecution Services

- Securing the evidence trail
- Authenticating digital evidence obtained from private citizens
- What constitutes manipulated digital evidence
- Presenting digital evidence in court



10:30 Break

11:00 CASE STUDY: Surrey Police Service Update

Transitioning from Federal to Municipal Policing

Doug McCallum, Mayor, City of Surrey

Norm Lipinski, O.O.M., M.B.A, LL.B, Chief Constable, Surrey Police Service

In 2018, the City of Surrey initiated the transition to a municipal policing model. This session will look at the 2019 Surrey Policing Transition Plan and the two-year implement timeline.

- Reconciling the public support and the statistical data for a municipal police service
- Highlighting elements from the proposed policing model
 - » Staffing levels and community partnerships
 - » Financial projections
- Maintaining existing assets versus acquiring new
- Managing active investigation files amid transition

11:45

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Lessons Learned from Street Check Moratoriums: Common Misconceptions and the Latest Changes in Authority to Arrest and Detention Procedures

Nasha Nijhawan, Legal Counsel, Nijhawan McMillan Petrunia Barristers

Dean Stienburg, President, Halifax Regional Police Association

As police departments across Canada phased out street checks and carding, this session will delve into the evolving legal challenges around arrest and detention parameters. Gain best practices for handling some of the more challenging circumstances.

- Ensuring the subject is aware of their rights, with considerations for possible:
 - » Impairment
 - » Mental health
 - » Physical and intellectual disabilities
 - » Language barriers

12:15

Handling Human Rights Complaints from Racial Profiling to Street Checks

David T. McKnight, Partner, Alexander Holburn Beaudin + Lang LLP

12:45 Lunch Break

1:30 FIRESIDE CHAT

Police Reform and the Ongoing Commitment to Public Safety

A/Commr. Maureen E. Levy, District Commander, Lower Mainland District, RCMP E Division

Provinces and territories across Canada are reviewing the police legislation, including British Columbia where a Special Committee on Reforming the Police Act is tasked with making recommendations to modernize policing under the *Police Act*. This session will look at the ongoing review work including processes, timelines, and any early findings.

2:00 MOCK TESTIMONY

Preparing to Testify in Court: Real-World Tips and Traps to Avoid

David G. Butcher Q.C., Lawyer, Wilson Butcher Barristers

Joseph M. Doyle, Q.C., Johnson Doyle, Barristers and Solicitors

Trevor Martin, Associate, Martland & Saulnier Barristers and Solicitors

Watch the speakers perform a mock testimony and cross examination. Then take a critical look at what worked and what didn't work, and the lessons learned.

- Dissecting your interaction with a person from start-to-finish and analyzing how that interaction will be reviewed in court
- Articulating your authority and actions
- Asserting your credibility, demeanor, and other considerations during testimony—best practices for effective witnesses
- How your notebook can save the day

3:00 Break



A solid conference with a good array of speakers on a variety of topics.

Partner, Bennett Jones LLP

3:15 HYPOTHETICAL SCENARIOS

Search and Seizure of Electronic Devices:

- Critical Factors for Search of Contents of Devices and How Recent Case Laws are Changing Procedure
- Sgt. David Bell-Irving LL.M., RCMP National Security (British Columbia)

Shelley Tkatch, General Counsel, Public Prosecution Service of Canada

During this practical, interactive session, faculty members will take you through a series of hypothetical scenarios and provide best practices for:

- Devices search warrants dos and don'ts, case law updates and practical applications, including when a warrant is needed, and use of limiting terms or search protocols in warrants
- Considerations for consent searches
- Current law on search of cell phones at the border
- Navigating challenges to the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms and Assessing the reasonable expectation of information privacy in the wake of *R v. Marakah* (2017) and *R. v. Jones* (2017)



4:15

Production Orders for Electronic Evidence Vs. Special Warrants: When You Need Them and When You Don't—From Phone Records to Financials

Supt. Lisa Byrne, Investigative Services Section, Vancouver Police Department

Keitha Elvin-Jensen, Senior Counsel, Justice Canada

Jonathan P.R. Desbarats, Counsel, Pender Litigation

- Evaluating when a production order is required over a simple request
- Determining the reasonable expectation of privacy in the records of their cell phone activity with a look at *R. v. Rogers Communications Partnership* (2016),
- Issuing production orders for digital records including, handling, collecting and managing evidence
- Establishing reasonable grounds that an offence has occurred
- Presenting electronic evidence in court
- When can a media source contest a production order, with a look at *R. v. Vice Media Inc.* (2018)

5:15

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