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Neil Davie, Partner, Norton Rose Fulbright Canada LLP, Vancouver, BC. Neil practises in the Real Estate Group at Norton Rose Fulbright. Neil's practice involves all aspects of commercial real estate including

the acquisition, financing, leasing, development and sale of residential, industrial, office, and retail properties for local, national, and offshore clients. Neil has extensive experience advising clients at all stages of the development process – from rezoning through to building occupancy. He has worked on a number of complex phased and mixed-use developments for some of the Lower Mainland's leading residential and commercial real estate developers. Neil has also been recognized as a leading lawyer in the area of Real Estate by Lexpert, Chambers Canada, and Chambers Global. Neil has been listed in Best Lawyers in Canada in the areas of Commercial Leasing Law and Real Estate Law and was named the "2016 Lawyer of the Year" and the "2018 Lawyer of the Year" in the area of Commercial Leasing Law for Vancouver.



Mario Rubio, Partner, Norton Rose Fulbright Canada LLP, Vancouver, BC. Mario is a partner in Norton Rose Fulbright's Real Estate Group. His practice involves all aspects of commercial real estate, including

the acquisition, financing, leasing, development and sale of commercial, industrial, office and retail properties. Mario represents a broad range of local, national and offshore clients, including developers, retail companies, natural resource companies, societies and non-profit entities, health authorities and port authorities. He regularly advises clients at all stages of the property acquisition and development process and has extensive experience in acting for both landlords and tenants in negotiating commercial leases. Mario is the past Chair of the Canadian Bar Association – Vancouver Real Property Subsection.

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The COVID-19 pandemic has had deep and difficult impacts for the Canadian business community, and the landscape for commercial tenancies is no longer business as usual. What does commercial leasing look like in the wake of COVID-19? Join us for this half-day intensive conference where our expert faculty will discuss the impacts of the pandemic on commercial landlords and tenants, and the future of commercial leasing in this "new normal".

KEY AREAS ADDRESSED:

- Dealing with lease defaults
- The status of leases under bankruptcy, insolvency and CCAA proceedings
- Accessing and enforcing security under leases
- Co-tenancy issues and concerns

WHO SHOULD ATTEND:

- Litigators with clients involved in commercial landlord-tenant disputes
- Solicitors who draft and advise on commercial leases
- Commercial landlords and tenants
- Lease administrators
- Business owners and advisors
- Property managers

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AGENDA – AUGUST 7th, 2020

9:00 Welcome and Introduction by PBLI

9:05 Chairs' Welcome and Introduction **Neil Davie & Mario Rubio**

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9:10 Lease Defaults

Stacey J. Handley & Jeffrey Bradshaw Gowling WLG

- Lease defaults, distress, terminating leases, affirming and suing on arrears, pursuing indemnifiers/guarantors, process (e.g. notice requirements, timing for court applications, etc.)
- COVID implications

9:45 Questions and Discussion

9:55 Leases Under Bankruptcy/Insolvency/CCAA Scott Boucher & John Cassell

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• Dealing with the legal and practical issues facing commercial landlords in insolvency proceedings

10:30 Questions and Discussion

FACULTY



Scott Boucher, Senior Associate, Norton Rose Fulbright Canada LLP, Vancouver, BC. Scott practises general commercial litigation with an emphasis on insolvency and restructuring and estates litigation. He assists clients and senior lawyers on a wide variety of matters, including contract and property disputes, insolvency files including

receivership, CCAA, bankruptcy and foreclosure proceedings, wills variation claims, and trusts litigation. He has appeared before the Supreme Court of British Columbia, the British Columbia Court of Appeal and the Supreme Court of Canada.



Jeffrey Bradshaw, Associate, Gowling WLG, Vancouver, BC. Jeffrey is a member of his firm's Restructuring and Insolvency Group, as well as its Expropriation Law and Municipal Law groups. Acting on behalf of lenders and creditors, Jeffrey focuses his practice on achieving maximum debt recovery for his clients – either through

negotiation, litigation or out-of-court enforcement. He complements his debt recovery expertise with practical and effective solutions to a range of significant legal and business challenges his clients face every day. Jeffrey gained a unique insight into the litigation process when he completed a clerkship with the Supreme Court of BC, and has experience appearing at all levels of court in the Province.



John Cassell, Partner, Norton Rose Fulbright Canada LLP, Calgary, AB. John Cassell is co-chair of the national data protection, privacy and cybersecurity team. John assists clients with all manner of privacy and cybersecurity law issues including: responding to complex local and international cybersecurity incidents, advising on risk

management strategies, assisting clients with access to information requests, complying with Canada's anti-spam legislation and proceedings before the offices of the Alberta and federal privacy commissioners. John also maintains a general commercial civil litigation practice with a particular focus on insolvency and restructuring matters.

10:40 Break

10:55 Security Under Leases

Anna Pogosjan

Terra Law Corporation

• Deposits, lines of credit, prepaid rent, indemnities/ guarantees

11:30 Questions and Discussion

11:40 Co-Tenancy Issues and Concerns

Janet Derbawka

McMillan LLP

- Negotiating and drafting considerations for co-tenancy provisions
- Remedies for co-tenancy failures and limitations in enforcement

12:15 Questions and Discussion

12:25 Chairs' Closing Remarks

12:30 Program Concludes



Janet Derbawka, Partner, McMillan LLP, Vancouver, BC. Janet is a partner in McMillan LLP's Vancouver office and is a member of the firm's Real Estate Group practising real estate, banking and commercial law. She was called to the bar of British Columbia and Ontario in 1994. Janet's practice includes commercial acquisitions, dispositions and financing transactions. Janet also

has extensive experience in negotiating lease transactions for both landlords and tenants and represents some of Canada's largest landlords and tenants. Janet continues to act as corporate counsel in numerous complex business transactions involving multi-jurisdictional acquisitions, mergers and joint ventures for local and international clients. Janet is also a regular presenter at various industry and legal events, including the Vancouver Leasing Conference and the International Council of Shopping Centers Law Conference. Janet is a member of CREW and is a past Chair of ICSC Whistler Conference.



Stacey J. Handley, Partner, Gowling WLG, Vancouver, BC. A highly regarded lawyer in Vancouver's real estate industry, Stacey J. Handley has extensive expertise in commercial real estate transactions. She advises clients on a range of matters, including major sales and acquisitions, and the leasing, development, subdivision, and financing of commercial properties. A significant

part of her practice involves leasing commercial retail and office properties on behalf of both Landlords and major Tenants. Stacey is repeatedly recognized as a leading lawyer in the areas of Real Estate and Property Leasing by Best Lawyers in Canada and by Lexpert. In 2017 Stacey was named by Best Lawyers in Canada as "Lawyer of the Year" in Commercial Leasing Law for Vancouver.



Anna Pogosjan, , Lawyer, Terra Law Corporation, Vancouver, BC. Anna's practice involves all aspects of commercial real estate, including development, rezoning and permit approvals, and other areas of regulatory matters, including FINTRAC compliance.

Anna frequently acts for developers of multi-family residential, commercial, mixed-use, independent seniors living and time-share developments, as well as commercial landlords and tenants. Anna is called to the bars of British Columbia and Alberta.



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